APA AND LRA’S WORK AROUND INNOVATIVE PRACTICE MODELS

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Enhanced Co-Location and Integrated Care

- APA and LRA have history of supporting different models of practice
  - Regional Summits
  - Think Tank of Entrepreneurial Psychologists
  - Individual Consultations
  - Access to Outside Legal Expertise
  - Resource Development

- Reminder of Key Issues
  - Fee Splitting (Referral Fees) / Anti Kickback
  - Corporate Practice of Medicine
  - Risk Management
Innovative Practice Model Summits (IPMS)

- 5 Events between 2015 – 2017
  - Discussion of different models of practice with expert panels
  - Events held in NY, SLC (now PLC), DC, Chicago and Houston
  - Co-sponsored and supported by 20 State Psychological Associations

- Summits Led to Think Tanks
  - Entrepreneurial psychologists met to brainstorm on moving forward with IPMs
  - Efforts underway to establish psychologist-run MSOs
Additional Support

- **Individual State Programming Opportunities**
  - *Dr. Robin McCleod held local summit when she was president of Minnesota Psychological Association*
  - *LRA may assist other SPTAs with similar events*

- **Written and Video Resources for Members**
  - *Content for Practice Update and Good Practice*
  - *Videos of summit on APA Services website*
  - *Alternative Payment Models Training by Kevin Ryan of Epstein, Becker & Green*

- **Professional Resources for Members**
  - *Access to LRA Staff*
Key Issues in Enhanced Co-Location Settings

- Fee Splitting / Anti-Kickback Statute
  - Inappropriate to give or accept fees or other compensation for referring a patient
  - AKS prohibits the offer or exchange of compensation for health care services reimbursed by a federal health care program

- State Corporate Laws
  - Some states prohibit a general corporation from practicing psychology
  - Some state prohibit providers from different fields to form a corporation

- Risk Management Issues
  - Level of autonomy
  - Informed Consent
  - Vicarious Liability
LRA’s Role in Toolkit

- Collaboration with Division 42 and other stakeholders to determine relevant content areas for inclusion

- Devote resources to the development of the Toolkit, including LRA staff attorney time and consultation with outside attorney Kevin Ryan from the law firm Epstein, Becker & Green

- Participate in promotion of Toolkit to APA/Division members
Final Thoughts

- LRA is available to members who need assistance with the legal and business issues that arise when trying to develop an IPM, such as enhanced co-location.
- In the past we had to prioritize inquiries by Practice Organization members because the PO funded these efforts.
- Now that we’re under the “One APA” model, all APA members get equal attention.
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