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Chair's Column

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Hello again it is spring and we are pleased to bring to you this new issue of articles that we hope will be of interest to you. I wish to thank the Maryland Psychological Association for inviting James Gormally and I to present at their fall convention. Topics discussed included the Board's mission and functions, the complaint process and continuing education requirements for both psychology associates and supervisors. The Board is pleased to be invited to the 2017 convention.

As you may know the Board has held several retreats on mobility and telehealth and the retreat that was held in December of 2016 was no different. Several ideas were discussed and the Board continues to develop some of the ideas. During the next six months the Board will be drafting regulations for the implementation of the teletherapy bill that passed this legislative session.

Another Examination for Professional Practice in Psychology (EPPP) is on the arising. The Association of State and Provincial Psychology Boards (ASPPB), the founders of the EPPP will implement an EPPP 2. The EPPP 2 will be a computer based examination that assesses the skills that an entry level psychologist needs. The launch date for the EPPP2 is scheduled for January 2019. For more information visit http://www.asppb.net/page/EPPPStep2.

In the late 1970's the National Register of Health Service Psychologists (National Register) and the Association of State and Provincial Psychology Boards (ASPPB) launched the Designation Project. The project provided a pathway for doctoral programs in psychology to demonstrate adherence to national standards. ASPPB/National Register jointly reviewed doctoral programs. In 2013 the ASPPB and the National Registered made the decision to terminate the project. Current programs with the designation status will end on June 1, 2018 and the project will cease to exist by September 2019. Programs with a designation status are expected to have met the requirements to be approved by the American Psychological Association.

As always, things are always changing and we believe that these changes will strengthen the psychology profession. Enjoy the summer!

Psychology Associate Registration

The Maryland Board of Examiners of Psychologists (the Board) now registers Psychology Associates. Psychology Associates that are working under the old exemption status must submit an application to become a Registered Psychology Associate at least **one month before** the exemption status with the psychologist the Board has on file expires. Psychology Associates in this category are required to undergo a criminal history background check and the Maryland jurisprudence examination will be waived. If an application to become a registered psychology associate is NOT received prior to the expiration of the exemption status, the applicant must meet all existing requirements to become a registered psychology associate.

Registered Psychology Associates (COMAR -10.36.02.04 B)

A registered psychology associate shall complete a minimum of 20 CE hours during each reporting period with a:

- (1) Maximum of 10 CE hours in independent study;
- (2) Minimum of 3 CE hours in activities whose content area is:
 - (a) Laws pertaining to the practice of psychology;
 - (b) Ethics and professional conduct in the practice of psychology; or
 - (c) Managing risks associated with the practice of psychology; and
- (3) Minimum of 3 CE hours in activities designed to enhance competence in the provision of psychological services to culturally diverse populations.

Supervisors

PA supervisors are required to have three (3) continuing education hours in supervision during each reporting period. PA supervisors who renewed their license in 2015 must have three (3) hours of continuing education hours in supervision by their 2017 renewal date. PA supervisors who renewed their license in 2016 must have three (3) hours of continuing education hours in supervision by their 2018 renewal date.

A complete description of CE requirements can be found on the Board's website at http://dhmh.maryland.gov/psych under laws and regulations.

2017 OPEN BOARD MEETING DATES

May 5, June 2, June 30, Sept. 8, Oct. 6, Nov. 3.

Open meetings begin at 9:00 am

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Professional Wills James F. Gormally, Ph.D., ABPP

The purpose of this article is to provide resources to help you make a will, if you so choose. It is worth noting that there is no regulation in the Maryland Code requiring licensed psychologists to have a professional will. In fact, most states do not have that requirement (Oregon being the exception).

When I have shared this topic with colleagues, they invariably say it is a good idea, and are quick to add that they never thought about doing it for their practice. And of course, the end of our life is not something we want to think about. Why I might want to write a professional will is worth consideration. I know of situations where a sudden death did occur, and it fell on the family to inform patients and handle the tasks involved in wrapping up a practice. I wrote about this in The Maryland Psychologist, March/April, 2003. Another motivation for writing the will is a way to mitigate the impact of a sudden death on the patients or clients that are in your practice.

Fortunately, there is a template available through APA that is very helpful in constructing a will. The link for the template is http://www.apapracticecentral.org/business/management/sample-professional-will.pdf

In general, you want to think about selecting someone to be your professional executor (and perhaps agree to swap roles for each other), provide information about passwords/keys that give access to professional calendars and patient records, and how to maintain records. The will can simply outline, in a series of tasks, how you want the executor to wrap up your practice in an orderly fashion. You also want your executor to have a copy of the will.

2017 LEGISLATIVE SESSION BILLS OF INTEREST IF PASSED

HB 912 State Board of Examiners of Psychologists – Criminal History Records Checks – Renewals and Reinstatements

This bill requires psychologists and psychology associates to have a criminal history records check upon the renewal of a license or registration every six (6) years. It also requires a history check from those seeking to reinstate or reactivate a license after having gone one or more years without an active license beginning in **2019** (the identification of licensees are not generally shared with members of the board).

HB 0352 Health Care Practitioners – Use of Teletherapy

This Bill authorizes health care practitioners to use teletherapy for a specified patient under specified circumstances and requires boards to adopt regulations. Effective **October 1, 2018**.

Ethics Trainer, Peer Supervisor, and Competency Expert: We NEED You!!

The Maryland Board of Examiners of Psychologists maintains a list that includes names of individuals qualified to serve as ethics trainers, peer supervisors, and competency experts in specific areas relevant to psychology. We are recruiting psychologists who are qualified to serve.

<u>Ethics tutorial trainer</u>: From time to time, we refer to a psychologist to provide an ethics tutorial. This is used as a remedy to fill in gaps in a licensee's understanding of laws, standards, and regulations. The licensee is responsible for costs associated with this ethics tutorial provided by the ethics tutorial trainer.

<u>Peer Supervisor:</u> There is a need for psychologists to provide supervision to licensed psychologists. Peer supervisors are often used to provide guidance in cases involving standard of care issues. The licensed psychologist being supervised is responsible for costs associated with peer supervision.

<u>Competency Expert:</u> Competency experts are used in judicial proceedings and submit expert reports and testimony at hearings. The Board will provide compensation for expert services provided.

In order to serve in one of these roles, the psychologist must have an active license in good standing for a minimum of 5 years with no history of adverse disciplinary actions. The Board reserves the right to limit the number of applicants approved. The Board will provide relevant orientation for those applicants whose credentials are approved by the Board. The application form for these roles can be retrieved from the Board's website at http://dhmh.maryland.gov/psych/pdfs/ethicstrainerpeersupervisorandespertapplication.pdf.

By applying for one of these roles, you will be providing a significant service to the State of Maryland. We look forward to hearing from you.

The Maryland Responds Program

The MD Responds Program is the Medical Reserve Corps (MRC) for the State of Maryland. The MRC is a Nation-wide network of volunteer programs, who respond to local emergencies and ongoing public health efforts. MD Responds, previously known as the Maryland Professional Volunteer Corps, is administered by the Maryland Department of Health and Mental Hygiene (DHMH), Office of Preparedness and Response (OPR).

To become a MD Responds volunteer, visit https://mdresponds.dhmh.maryland.gov/, and click the "Register Now" button.

Reginald Nettles, Ph.D., CGP New Board Member



Reginald Nettles, Ph.D., CGP is a licensed psychologist in Maryland and the District of Columbia, and a Certified Group Psychotherapist (CGP) in independent practice in Columbia, Maryland, providing individual, couples, and group psychotherapy. He completed a pre-doctoral internship in the Minority Training Program in Community and Clinical Psychology, Boston, Mass., and his Ph.D. in Psychology at Howard University in Washington, D.C. He is an alumnus of both the Group Psychotherapy Training Program and the Advanced Psychotherapy Training Program at the Washington School of Psychiatry. Dr. Nettles has served on several committees focused on LGBT, racial and ethnic minority and disability issues in The American Group Psychotherapy Association, The American Psychological Association,

and the Mid-Atlantic Group Psychotherapy Society, and has written, presented and consulted on these areas of identity and their intersections over many years. In addition, he is the founding chair of The Center for the Study of Race, Ethnicity and Culture at The Washington School of Psychiatry, in Washington, D.C."



Mr. Raj Razdan New Board Member

Raj Razdan retired as a Vice President at Johnson Controls in Hong Kong. Prior to his retirement he worked as Director of Global Sales at York International, York, Pa. Raj has lived in Baltimore County since 1974. He holds a BSc in Mechanical Engineering from Aligarh University in India. Raj enjoys volunteering at GBMC, the Council on Aging, the Senior Health Insurance Program, and the Home Visit Team. Raj is married and has two children.

Want to Get Involved in the Board's Work?

Become a Board Member of the Maryland Board of Examiners of Psychologists (the Board) and help carry out its mission.

The mission of the Board is to protect the citizens of Maryland and promote quality health care in the field of psychology. The Board carries out its mission by:

- Licensing psychologists and registering psychology associates,
- Addressing complaints from the public, and
- Setting standards that reflect new and emerging developments in the practice of psychology through legislation and regulations.

If you, 1) Hold an active Maryland psychology license that is in good standards and has practiced, taught, or engaged in research in psychology for at least 5 years; (2)A citizen of the United States; and (3)A resident of Maryland, you are eligible to be a Board member.

If you are interested in serving on the Board or would like to nominate someone, contact the Maryland Psychological Association at exec@marylandpsychology.org,410-992-4258 or Ms. Bennardi, Office of Appointments and Executive Nominations at Kim.Bennardi@Maryland.gov for more information.

We hope to see you soon!

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Newly Licensed Psychologists

January 2016

Cernikovsky, David, Psy.D. Dogali, Lindsey, Ph.D. Fromm, Nicole, Psv.D. Gold, Andrea, Ph.D. Greenberg, Jessica, Psy.D. Gruszka, Sarah, Psy.D. Gurin, Carol, Ph.D. Hawkins-Eidson, Lisa, Psv.D. Huang, Sharon, Ph.D. Lee, Victoria, Ph.D. Lupis, Alexander, Ph.D. Marcus, Rebecca, Psy.D. Mitchell, Colleen, Ph.D. Moskowitz, Michal, Ph.D. Terracciano, Stephanie, Psy.D.

February 2016

Coombs, Michelle, Ph.D. Kim, Nayoung, Ph.D., Patel, Neha, Psy.D. Seibert, Stephanie, Psy.D. Stone, Oliver, Ph.D.

Wessner, Krystin, Psy.D.

March 2016

Green, Carlton, Ph.D. Jones, Jasmine, Psy.D. Lyons, Jillian, Ph.D. Morgan-Borkowsky, Larissa Psy.D. Rutt, Benjamin, Ph.D. Spernoga, Maya, Psy.D.

April 2016

Au, Teresa, Ph.D. Cranston, Christopher, Ph.D. Farber, Tanya, Psy.D. Handelsman, Jessica, Ph.D. Jackson, D'Andria, Psy.D. Jobe, Brian, Ph.D. Robinson, Merideth, Psy.D. Samlin, Jason, Psy.D. Strohmeier, Craig, Psy.D.

May 2016

Peterson, Lindsey, Ph.D. Rubinic, Danielle, Ph.D.

June 2016

Berbery, Maria, Ph.D. Buttacavoli-Smith, Jessica, Ph.D. Chamberlin, Clifton, Ph.D. Chianese, Christine, Psy.D. Coxe, Kellyjo, Psy.D. DeRight, Jonathan, Ph.D. Dunham, Jessica, Ph.D. Faure, Valerie, Psy.D. Gerolimatos, Lindsay, Ph.D. Gold, Robinson, Psy.D. Hall, Kim, Psy.D. Kanal, Aryeh, Psy.D. King, Regan, Psy.D. Lanza, Allyssa, Psy.D. Leith, Jaclyn, Ph.D. Ojie-Badger, Mary-Jane, Psy.D. Preston, Bethany, Psy.D. Pugliese, Cara, Ph.D. Rahimi, Amanda, Ph.D. Reese, Caitlin, Ph.D. Ryan, Lisa, Psy.D. Schmidt, Elizabeth, Psy.D. Smith, La Toya, Ph.D. Sommerfeld, Amanda, Ph.D. Williams, Neville, Ph.D.

July2016

Williams, Rush, Ph.D.

Woomert, Lee, Psy.D.

Bohacik, Jill, Psy.D.

Born, Tiffany, Ph.D.

Brown, Danice, Ph.D. Collao, Anahi, Ph.D. Lebovits, Matthew, Ph.D. Meer, Duryia, Psy.D. Parham, Brittany, Ph.D. Peet, Chloe Carmichael, Ph.D. Rutledge, James, Psy.D. Skalina, Lauren, Ph.D. Sollenberger, Julia, Ph.D. August 2016 Amatya, Kaushalendra, Ph.D. Barnes, Aaron, Psy.D. Benesh, Samantha, Psy.D. Bianchi, Fernanda, Ph.D. Dowd-Abele, Sabrina, Psy.D. Eddins, Jessica, Psy.D. Ford, Jessica, Ph.D. Gottlieb, Andrea, Ph.D. Kramer-Kuhn, Alison, Ph.D. Marshall, Daniel, Ph.D. McClain, Shannon, Ph.D.

Springirth, Kristina, Psy.D.

Weaver, Jacqueline, Psy.D.

Worthington, Danielle, Ph.D.

Williams, Shatina, Ph.D.

Wilson, Emily, Psy.D.

September 2016

Asarch, Allison, Psy.D. Barner, Rashida, Ph.D. Belcher-Timme, Robin, Psy.D. Blasko, Stacy, Ph.D. Bosworth, Amy, Psy.D. Burch, Berre, Ph.D. Chlebowski, Colby, Ph.D. Cole, Emma, Ph.D. Culpepper, Christi, Ph.D. Gryczkowski, Michelle, Ph.D. Labaton, Rachel, Ph.D. Lankster, Nakieta, Psy.D. Matthews, Erica, Psy.D. McMurray, Marissa, Ph.D. Mockus, Edward, Ph.D. Molzon, Elizabeth, Ph.D. Perisin, Casey, Psy.D. Pineda, Jill, Ph.D. Posner, Nora, Psy.D. Simon, Jessica, Psy.D. Trinastic, Laura, Ph.D. Tylor, Stacy, Psy.D. Wevodau-Flower, Amy, Ph.D.

October 2016

Butler, Maria, Psy.D. Connolly, Loren, Ph.D. Deskalo, Avital, Ph.D. Footer, Dana, Psy.D. Hughes, Abbey, Ph.D. Lipkin, Ariella, Psy.D. LoPresti, Rebeca, Ph.D. Mostoufi, Sheeva, Ph.D. Patton, John, Psv.D. Quickel, Emalee, Ph.D. Reynolds, David, Ph.D. Salama, Christina, Ph.D. Sherer, Carolyn, Psy.D. Stokes, Jeanna, Psy.D. Teng, Anastasia, Psy.D. Vandenbroek, Anneke, Ph.D. Wilson, Reynolds, Ph.D.

November 2016

Wright, Katherine, Ph.D. Wilson, Susan, Ph.D. Ryan, Katheryn, Ph.D. Lewis, Krystal, Ph.D. Klein, Leslie, Psy.D.

November 2016

Johnson, Matthew, Ph.D. Coburn, Shayna, Ph.D. Chisolm, Andrea, Ph.D. Gholson, Georica, Ph.D. Wu, Marlena, Psy.D. Solis, Nasha, Psy.D.

December 2016

Klubnik, Cynthia, Ph.D. Muhammad, Malik, Ph.D. Shah, Mauli, Ph.D. Kernan, JoLynn, Psy.D.

January 2017

Bechhofer, Joseph, Psy.D.
Abell, Rebecca, Psy.D.
Wusik, Michael, Ph.D.
Salwen, Jessica, Ph.D.
Lo Sapio, Ashley, Psy.D.
Mullan, Mariquita, Ph.D.
Williams, Andrea, Psy.D.
Nuss, Sharon, Psy.D.
Henriquez, Paula, Psy.D.
Zanko, Karina, Psy.D.
Wydra, Maria, Ph.D.
Foley, Kimberly, Ph.D.

February 2017

Adler, Marcy, Psy.D.
Crisafulli, Michele, Ph.D.
Dietz, Alyssa, Ph.D.
Hayes, Caitriona, Psy.D.
Jackson, Anjelica, Psy.D.
Lindstrom, Susan, Ph.D.
Schwimmer, Carleen, Psy.D.
King, Lateffa, Ph.D.
Hebert, Candice, Psy.D.

March 2017

Vail, Timothy, Psy.D.
Tyner, Callie, Ph.D.
Rotbart, Emily, Psy.D.
Lokhmotov, Roman, Psy.D.
Lindner, Katherine, Psy.D.
Dickson, Matthew, Psy.D.
Goode, Jonathan, Psy.D.
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2016 Complaint Report

Total # of Complaints received involving licensed and unlicensed activities	30
Disciplinary actions taken against licensees, or other actions taken against non-licensees	2
Licenses suspended or revoked	1
Public Order:	1
Nancy Scholle –LN: 03112— 02/05/ 2016	
lacarino, Lawrence - unlicensed 11/23/2	1

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REQUIRED

Licensees and registrants must notify the board in writing of any change in the licensee's or registrant's address or electronic mail address within 30 days after the change occurs.

Information on New Lyme disease Notice Requirement

Section 20-1701 of the **Health General Article** requires that patients receiving a laboratory test for the presence of Lyme disease receive the following notice at the time that blood is drawn:

Your health care provider has ordered a laboratory test for the presence of Lyme disease for you. Current laboratory testing for Lyme disease can be problematic and standard laboratory tests often result in false negative and false positive results and, if done too early, you may not have produced enough antibodies to be considered positive because your immune response requires time to develop antibodies. If you are tested for Lyme disease and the results are negative, this does not necessarily mean you do not have Lyme disease. If you continue to experience unexplained symptoms, you should contact your health care provider and inquire about the appropriateness of retesting or initial or additional treatment.

Who Must Provide the Notice?

- A licensed health care provider who draws the blood of a patient to perform a laboratory test for Lyme disease; or
- A medical laboratory that performs a laboratory test for the presence of Lyme disease.

ADDRESS, EMAIL & NAME CHANGE

Changes to contact information can be completed on the Board's website at http://form.dhmh.maryland.gov/Pages/Psych-Change-of-Address-Form.aspx.

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