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President's Message

It has been an honor to serve as President of Division 40 over the past year. It has certainly been a humbling experience. What has impressed me most is to have been in a position to have observed directly all of the talented people working “behind the scenes” to serve the division and our field in so many ways. I want to give special thanks to Josette Harris and Jacobus Donders who are ending terms as division’s Secretary and Treasurer. We are all indebted to them for their hard work and dedication. I would also like to thank Gerry Taylor who provided me with sage advice as Past President and assembled an excellent slate of candidates for the division’s recent election. On that note, my congratulations go out to Paula Shear (President), Heather Belanger (Secretary), and Kevin Duff (Treasurer) on their election as division officers and to Paul Craig and Monica Rivera-Mindt for their election to respective terms as Council Representative and Member at Large. I welcome Munro Cullum, who will take over the role of President following the APA Convention in August. Division 40 will be served well by the energy, vision, and leadership experience that Munro will bring to the position.

Division 40 has the responsibility of representing neuropsychology within the American Psychological Association (APA). As one of the larger divisions in APA, we have the responsibility of playing a major role in APA governance by having our members serve on various committees within the organization. I am happy to say that, over the past year, we made progress in getting members of our division nominated and elected to serve on some major APA committees. However, it is clear that we have the potential to do much more, particularly if we were to receive increased participation from our members. I strongly encourage those who are interested in becoming more involved with APA governance to respond to one of the many calls for nominations that arise during the year and let our leadership know of your willingness to represent Division 40 through services on one of APA’s committees.

It is becoming increasingly clear that neuropsychologists need to band together to thwart ongoing attempts to exclude or restrict our practice. Over the past year, the trend has been for national initiatives aimed at the care of patients with dementia to emphasize the role of biomarkers and imaging at the expense of the types of behavioral assessments per-

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formed effectively by neuropsychologists. Likewise, many of the state initiatives that have been introduced for the management of sports concussion have minimized or excluded our field’s contributions to the science of concussion and care of athletes while making restrictions on neuropsychologists’ role in assessment and making return to play decisions. Our members should be aware that Division 40 is working actively to represent the interests of our field in these instances and will continue to do so in future situations affecting the science and practice of neuropsychology.

One of the highlights of my year as president was to represent Division 40 at APA’s state leadership conference, which was held this past March in Washington, D.C. While there, I developed a deeper understanding of how the APA Practice Organization (APAPO) operates and all of the effort that goes into representing psychology’s interests with groups such as legislators and third-party payers. While becoming more informed on APA’s legislative agenda and being exposed to lobbying on Capitol Hill, it became clear to me that our division needs to raise neuropsychology’s profile significantly in the eyes of APA, our legislators, and in the larger science and healthcare communities. For success, this will require the actions of individuals as political contributors, in addition to the actions of our division.

I am repeating the sentiments expressed in my earlier address when I encouraged Division 40 members to become active in their state psychology organizations and to share information on local affairs with division leadership. As progress is made with implementing the Affordable Care Act, it will become even more important for Division 40 to maintain close contact with its members across the country while new healthcare plans are unveiled at state and regional levels. For this reason, the division has established a new Division 40 Federal Advocacy Network (Div 40 FAN), which will be headed by Neil Pliskin. A call for members to join this new network is included in this issue of Newsletter 40.

Over the past two years, members of the division's Strategic Planning Task Force have been working diligently to increase the quality of communication within the division and enhance the experience of division membership. They are now formally examining the ways that the division represents itself to those within the field and how we represent neuropsychology to other psychologists and to the larger healthcare community. I urge you to keep an eye out over the next year to see the many ways that Division 40 will be conveying the message that neuropsychologists have the highest level of training in the most advanced skill set for evaluating and treating disorders of the brain and related conditions. I invite our members to become active in the division and to help us carry out that message.

William B. Barr, Ph.D., ABPP

**Call for Division 40 members to serve on division's new Federal Advocacy Network.
William B. Barr, Ph.D., ABPP
Division 40 President.**

It has become very clear over the past few years that an increasing number of regulatory, legislative, and practice issues relevant to clinical neuropsychology are developing at the state or regional level. We are informed by the APA Practice Organization (APAPO) that this trend will not only continue but will increase significantly during the era of Health Care Reform, when many new policies regarding provider reimbursement will be enacted through statewide systems.

In response to these trends, Division 40 is initiating its own Federal Advocacy Network (D40-FAC) to better serve its members by building an organized network of communication between division leadership and groups and/or individuals who are active in neuropsychology advocacy within their state or local region. Our hope is that enhancing communication between APAPO, Division 40 leadership, and division members will enable us all to act more promptly and effectively in response to developing national and statewide trends.

I am pleased to announce that Dr. Neil Pliskin has been appointed as Division 40's new Federal Advocacy Coordinator. Neil will be working actively with Dr. Mike Westerveld, Chair of the division's Practice Advisory Committee (PAC), to establish this new network over the coming months. Division 40 members who are active in advocacy and practice policy issues within their states or local regions are invited to apply to be members of this network. We are particularly interested in hearing from members who are active within their existing state psychology organizations.

Qualifications for inclusion in the Division 40 Federal Advocacy Network (D4-FAC) include:

1. Member in good standing of Division 40 of the American Psychological Association (APA) who have paid assessment fees for the APA Practice Organization (APA-PO).
2. Active member in state or local psychology (or neuropsychology) organization and/or demonstrated activity relevant to development of local legislation or policy relevant to neuropsychology practice. This might include member of a state licensing board and/or department of professional regulation.

Interested member should send a letter of interest in addition to a copy of their CV to Dr. Neil Pliskin (Npliskin@psych.uic.edu).

**Summary of upcoming Division 40 program at APA convention
Orlando, Florida, August 2-5
Amy Jak, PhD (Chair)**

Thursday, August 2, 2012

- 8:00-8:50 Paper Session, Solomon Kalkstein et al.: *Emotion Recognition Abilities Among Veterans With PTSD and Anger Dyscontrol*
- 8:00-10:50 Executive Committee Meeting (William Barr)
- 10:00-10:50 Paper Session, Rebecca Ready, et al.: *Differential Validity of the Nelson Denny Reading Comprehension Test Based on IQ and Reading Skills*
Ryan Green, et al.: *Visual - -Motor Integration Deficits and Neurological Correlates in Autism Spectrum Disorder*
- 11:00-11:50 Invited Address, Lidia Artiola: *Neuropsychology, Illiteracy, Low Education, and Non - -English Speakers*
- 11:00-12:50 Symposium (co-sponsored with Division 3), Emanuel Donchin (chair): *Football Player As Phineas Gage Emulator---ERP Assessment of Executive Control After Head Blows*
- 12:00-12:50 Skill Building Session, MaryBeth Bailar and Abby Altman (co-chairs): *Improving the Provision of Neuropsychological Feedback Through the Use of Motivational Interviewing*
- 1:00-1:50 Invited Address, Kyle Boone: *Use of Personality Measures in Detection of Noncredible Symptoms in Forensic Neuropsychology*
- 2:00-2:50 Invited Address, Shelley Heaton: *Attentional Impairments in Pediatric Populations: A Neuropsychological Perspective*
- 2:00-3:50 Symposium, Douglas Johnson-Greene (chair): *Ethical Issues in Research Involving Cognitively Impaired Participants*
- 2:00-3:50 Symposium (co-sponsored with Division 22), Elizabeth Letsch (chair): *A Mock-Interview Workshop for Internship and Postdoctoral Applicants' Skill Development*
- 3:00-3:50 Invited Address, Mark Sherer and Angelle Sander: *Assessment and Management of Cognitive Impairments in TBI Rehabilitation*

Friday, August 3, 2012

- 8:00-8:50 Paper Session, Elizabeth A. Sullivan, et al.: *PTSD Treatment Impacts PTSD Symptoms but Not Neuropsychological Performance in Veterans With PTSD*
- 8:00-8:50 Paper Session (Early Career Award), Angela Jefferson: *Vascular Risk Factors for Abnormal Cognitive Aging*

- 9:00-9:50 Invited Address, Keith Yeates: *Social Outcomes in Children With Traumatic Brain Injury*
- 9:00-9:50 Paper Session (Junior Investigator Awards), Pegah Touradji, et al.: *Diabetes -Related Neuropsychological Test Performance in Urban African American Adults*
Vidyulata Kamath, et al.: *Neuropsychological Probes of Orbitofrontal Dysfunction*
- 10:00-10:50 Invited Address, Jennifer Vasterling: *Neurocognitive Abnormalities in PTSD: Why Do They Matter?*
- 10:00-10:50 Symposium, Donna Rasin-Waters (chair): *Increasing the Visibility of Neuropsychology Practice and Needs in Health Reform*
- 12:00-1:50 Skill Building Session, Brian Yochim and Robert Paul (co-chairs): *Speed Mentoring for Budding Geropsychology and Neuropsychology Careers*
- 3:00-3:50 Poster Session
- 4:00-5:50 Paper Session (Blue Ribbon Award Winners), Karen Miller, et al.: *Memory Improves With Extended Use of Computerized Brain Fitness Program Among Older Adults*
S. Duke Han, et al.: *Cognitive Activity and Resources Are Associated With PCC Functional Connectivity in Older Adults*
Maria Marquine, et al.: *Association Between Cognitive Activity and Cognitive Function in Older Hispanics*
Katie Doyle, et al.: *HIV -Associated Prospective Memory Impairment Is Associated With Strategic Monitoring*

Saturday, August 4, 2012

- 8:00-8:50 Invited Address, David Libon: *Cognitive Constructs Associated With Dysexecutive Behavior in Alzheimer/Vascular Spectrum Dementia Syndromes*
- 8:00-8:50 Conversation Hour, Tracy Kretzmer and Shital Pavawalla (co-chairs): *Inappropriate Exchanges in the Workplace -- A Conversation Sponsored by Women in Neuropsychology*
- 9:00-9:50 Invited Address, Glenn Smith: *MCI a.k.a. Mild Neurocognitive Disorder: New Criteria, New Opportunities?*
- 10:00-10:50 Invited Address, Dawn Bowers: *Startling Facts About Emotion and Cognition in Parkinson's Disease*
- 11:00-12:50 Fellows Address and Reception (Douglas Johnson-Greene, chair), Maria Schultheis: *Virtual Reality, Driving, and the Brain: Proceed With Caution -- Exciting Intersection Up Ahead*
Fred Unverzagt, PhD: *Neuropsychological Excursions Into Cognitive Aging and Mild Cognitive Impairment*
- 1:00-1:50 Symposium, Cynthia Cimino (chair): *Internship Placement in Neuropsychology*
- 3:00-3:50 Presidential Address, William Barr: *What Is a Neuropsychologist? An Examination of Historical and Contemporary Trends*

- 4:00-4:50 Business Meeting, William Barr (chair)
- 5:00-6:50 Joint Division 40/22 Social Hour and Student Poster Award Winners, Maia Feigon: *Neuropsychological Model of Depression in Individuals With Epilepsy: A Path Analysis*
Armando Fuentes: *Neurocognitive and Sociocultural Factors Impacting Medication Beliefs Among HIV -Positive Latinas/os*
Adrienne M. Meier: *Effects of Co -Morbidity Disease on Baseline Neurobehavioral Functioning in Breast Cancer Patients*
Jacob D. Jones: *Health Comorbidities and Cognition in a Clinic Sample of 403 Parkinson's Disease Patients*

Sunday August 5, 2012

- 8:00-9:50 Symposium, Norweeta Milburn and Scott Hunter (co-chairs): *Risk and Resilience in Homeless Adolescents - Interdisciplinary Strategies for Research and Intervention*
- 9:00-9:50 Invited Address, Neil Pliskin: *Title: Electrical Shock Injury: Forensic Applications*
- 10:00-10:50 Invited Address, Steven P. Woods: *A Primer on the Importance of Remembering to Remember for Successful Everyday Functioning*
- 11:00-11:50 Paper Session, Elizabeth R. Tuminello Hartman, et al.: *Functional Connectivity, Episodic Memory, and Vascular Factors in Cognitively Intact Older Adults*
- 11:00-11:50 Poster Session
- 12-12:50 Symposium, Maria Schultheis (chair): *Mentoring the Mentor - Lessons Learned in Supervising Ethnic Minority Students*

**APA Division 40
Program Committee Members**

Amy Jak, PhD (Chair)	Pegah Touradji, PhD
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ANST – 10 Years and Growing Stronger

The Association of Neuropsychology Students in Training (ANST), the Division 40 Education Advisory Committee student organization, was established 10 years ago. It quickly flourished into an active and vibrant group with several local chapters and over 500 members by 2007, and it has grown exponentially in the last few years. In order to commemorate this milestone, ANST is sharing its 10 year history below and will host a special *anniversary celebration* at the 2012 APA convention in Orlando.

In 2002, Division 40 created the first neuropsychology student organization: The Association for Training Neuropsychology Students (later renamed The Association of Neuropsychology Students in Training [ANST]). ANST was established when Chris Loftis and Michael Cole (both University of Florida neuropsychology doctoral students at the time) were invited to present a proposal they co-authored to the Division 40 Executive Committee (EC) regarding the establishment of a neuropsychology graduate student association within the Division. According to Loftis and Cole, the number of graduate students training to enter the field of clinical neuropsychology was growing substantially, yet there were limited resources available through national neuropsychological organizations to support students interested in this path. They believed that in order to ensure that clinical neuropsychology continued to be a leading and preeminent specialty of psychology, an active graduate student constituency within Division 40 was essential.

The goals of ANST were to 1) provide informational resources and services for aspiring clinical neuropsychologists, 2) provide a forum where students and professionals could come together to discuss training issues, and 3) promote leadership development in order to communicate and advocate for the concerns of students within Division 40. Following discussion of the merits of the proposal, the Division 40 EC approved a motion to (a) establish a Division 40 Student Organization, (b) provide the organization with funds (c) aid in the establishment of a website for the organization (d) provide a regular column in the Newsletter 40 for the organization, and (e) have a non-voting representative of the student organization invited to each of the Divisional EC meetings.

In its early years, ANST made substantial progress under the guidance of its co-founders, Chris Loftis and Michael Cole. They succeeded in developing a graduate student association that led, supported, and advocated for students. Some of their accomplishments included establishing an ANST website, newsletter, programming at INS and the APA convention, and a listserv for students. Following the establishment of ANST, student membership comprised over 59% of new Division 40 members.

Since ANST's establishment, Division 40 has continued to have a strong student presence thanks to ANST and the work of its dedicated student leaders. Former and current ANST Chairs include:

Chris Loftis, Ph.D. (2001 – 2002)
 Mike Cole, Ph.D. (2002 – 2003)
 Glen Getz, Ph.D. (2003- 2005)
 Deborah Loftis, Ph.D. (2006 - 2007)
 John Strang, Ph.D. (2007 – 2010)
 Erica Kalkut, Ph.D. (2010 – 2013)

ANST continues to thrive as well as ever under the current leadership of Erica Kalkut and the following

officers: Cady Block (communications officer), Dalin Pulsipher (programming officer), Kelly Coulehan and Lauren Killeen (membership officers), and Rachel Fazio (liaison officer). Since taking office in 2010, ANST's current officers have re-created and enhanced the ANST website and created an ANST Facebook page, already with over 150 members! The website gets between 60-100 hits per day. The listserv has grown to almost 800 members and includes neuropsychology trainees as well as national leaders in neuropsychology who help to field questions about developing careers in neuropsychology. There are now also 36 ANST Chapters across the country, which are local representations of students in neuropsychology training programs. Select student members and chapters of ANST have been highlighted in the quarterly *ANST In Focus* and *Chapter Highlight* sections of the website, respectively. ANST continues to provide programming for students at INS and APA conventions. ANST also hosts informal meetings and social gatherings at most neuropsychology meetings, including those for INS, APA, AACN, and NAN. Look for ANST's sponsored seminar at the 2012 APA Convention on *Internship Placement in Neuropsychology* on Saturday 8/4 from 1-1:50 PM.

All student members of Division 40 are automatically members of ANST. There is no separate application or fee. Visit ANST on their website (<http://www.div40-anst.com/>) and Facebook page, and join the ANST listserv to:

- keep up to date with events and opportunities in the field
- start or find your own local area chapter of ANST
- learn more about training in neuropsychology
- see listings of conferences, trainings, and learning opportunities
- search for information to fund your research
- join specific ANST Discussion Forums
- locate other listservs in neuropsychology
- discover lots of information and ways to become involved!

Some Key APA Recommendations Included in National Plan to Address Alzheimer's Disease

Deborah A. DiGilio Director, APA Office on Aging, and
Patricia Kobor, APA Senior Science Policy Analyst

The National Plan to Address Alzheimer's Disease was released in mid-May. The plan has been in development since the National Alzheimer's Project Act was signed into law in early 2011. This law called for the establishment of a public-private Advisory Council on Alzheimer's Research, Care and Services. The Advisory Council was charged with making recommendations to the Department of Health and Human Services (DHHS) for priority actions to expand, coordinate, and condense federal programs in order to improve the health outcomes of people with Alzheimer's disease and related dementias and reduce the financial burden of these conditions on patients, their families, and society.

The comments submitted by the American Psychological Association (APA) were informed by members of the APA Committee on Aging and members of Division 20 (Adult Development and Aging), Division 40 (Clinical Neuropsychology), and Division 12 Section 2 (Society for Clinical Geropsychology). Thanks to all who generously reviewed the multiple drafts of the Plan and made suggestions for APA's responses.

The National Plan represents a significant expenditure of effort and resources, which will continue to be directed toward expanding research and services to prevent and treat Alzheimer's disease. The final version of the National Plan was responsive to some of the concerns APA raised in its four sets of comments (two written and two oral) offered since the Draft Framework for the National Plan to Address Alzheimer's Disease was released this past January. The National Plan includes a strengthened statement on the need for clinical trials on pharmacologic and non-pharmacologic ways to prevent Alzheimer's disease and to manage and treat its symptoms. Particularly noteworthy is the specific objective to continue clinical trials on the most promising lifestyle interventions. APA's recommendation that the term "behavioral" be used rather than "non-pharmacological" was not accepted in the National Plan.

We are pleased that the National Plan now explicitly mentions psychologists as a member of the skilled workforce needed for the future and states that DHHS will disseminate evidence-based dementia-specific guidelines including those generated by psychologists. (The first draft of the plan did not mention psychologists with other disciplines in the strategy to build a workforce with the skills necessary to provide high-quality care to individuals with dementia and their families.) In addition, text was broadened in a number of sections, as APA suggested, to acknowledge that a variety of health care providers, including psychologists, are involved in assessment and planning of advance care counseling for individuals with Alzheimer's disease, in addition to physicians. For example, in one instance, the phrase "physician who has identified cognitive impairment" was expanded to "a physician or another health care provider who has identified cognitive impairment..."

APA comments on both draft documents noted that neuropsychological evaluation remains a critical component of differential diagnostic methods in discriminating neurodegenerative changes from normal age-related cognitive decline, cognitive difficulties that are related to psychiatric conditions or medical morbidities, and other related disorders. Evidence was provided that neuropsychological measures are accurate, early predictors of progression to Alzheimer's disease (Gomar, et al., 2011; Heister, et al., 2011; Landau, et al., 2010) and provide useful information to individuals with dementia and their families regarding the functional capacities of the individual and the potential impact of interventions on disease progression. Unfortunately, the National Plan was not revised to incorporate these findings. However, one of the National Plan's specified actions is to identify and disseminate appropriate assessment tools. This statement has been expanded so that it currently states "once cognitive impairment has been detected,

practitioners will be able to consider potential causes of cognitive impairment *and determine the need for a comprehensive diagnostic evaluation for AD.*” Previous drafts of the Plan did not have this last (italicized) clause.

The recommendations of the Advisory Council on Alzheimer's Research, Care and Services were released on the same day as the National Plan. The recommendations highlight the importance of biological and behavioral markers, as well as behavioral and pharmacologic interventions, throughout. It notes that to address disparities, clinical research studies and activities aimed at translation of research findings into medical practice and for the public should include specific targets for outreach to specific high-risk populations. Another recommendation is to expand funding and incentives for health care providers to pursue careers in geriatric specialties.

The importance of addressing the current needs of individuals and their caregivers is infused throughout the Advisory Council's recommendations. This can be seen in the strategic research plan and in the request that DHHS and state lead entities assure that caregiver physical health/behavioral health risk is assessed and addressed regularly. Another favorable recommendation is to redesign Medicare coverage and provider reimbursement to encourage appropriate diagnosis and care planning to diagnosed individuals and their caregivers, including coverage for care planning with a family caregiver even if the individual is not present. This barrier to care was one cited by APA in its initial remarks: “For patients with cognitive impairment, there must be options for reimbursement when working with families and caregivers without the patient present.”

One of the first action steps recommended in the National Plan has already been completed. A summit meeting to set a research agenda for Alzheimer's disease was held on May 14 and 15, 2012, on the campus of the National Institutes of Health. A summary of that meeting from the APA Science Directorate is now available.

APA's written comments can be found at: <http://www.apa.org/pi/aging/national-plan-alzheimer.pdf>

and <http://www.apa.org/pi/aging/resources/alzheimer-comments.pdf>. The two formal APA responses to the draft plan are on the APA Office on Aging website: <http://www.apa.org/pi/aging/index.aspx>

Election Results

H. Gerry Taylor, Ph.D., ABPP-CN
Past-President, Division 40 of APA

As Division 40 Nominations Chair and on behalf of Division 40 President Bill Barr and other members of our Executive Committee, I would like to inform our members of newly elected leaders of the division:

President-Elect: Paula K. Shear, Ph.D. Dr. Shear is Professor of Psychology and Psychiatry and the Director of Clinical Training and Co-Director of Graduate Studies at the University of Cincinnati.

Secretary: Heather G. Belanger, Ph.D. Dr. Belanger is a Clinical Neuropsychologist at the Tampa VA and an affiliate faculty member of the Department of Psychology at the University of South Florida.

Treasurer: Kevin Duff, Ph.D. Dr. Duff is Associate Professor of Neurology and a neuropsychologist in the Center for Alzheimer's Care, Imaging and Research at the University of Utah.

Member of APA Council of Representatives for Division 40: Paul L. Craig, Ph.D. Dr. Craig practices clinical neuropsychology in Alaska, has extensive experience in APA governance, and is a Clinical Professor at the University of Washington School of Medicine.

Member at Large: Monica Rivera Mindt, Ph.D. Dr. Rivera Mindt is Professor of Psychology at Fordham University and has a joint appointment in the Departments of Neurology & Psychiatry at The Mount Sinai School of Medicine.

We congratulate these new members of the Division 40 Executive Committee and look forward to working with them.

Awards

Steven Paul Woods, Psy.D.

The Awards Subcommittee (S.P. Woods, Chair) of the Scientific Advisory Committee is pleased to congratulate the winners of this year's Division 40 awards slate, all of whom are listed below:

Conference Awards:

Blue Ribbon Awards: Faculty

Dr. Duke Han (Rush University), "Cognitive Activity and Resources are Associated with PCC Functional Connectivity in Older Adults"

Dr. Maria Marquine (Rush University), "The Association between Cognitive Activity and Cognitive Function in Older Hispanics"

Dr. Karen Miller (UCLA), "Memory Improves with Extended Use of Computerized Brain Fitness Program Among Older Adults"

Blue Ribbon Award: Student

Katie Doyle (UCSD), "HIV-associated Prospective Memory Impairment is Associated with Strategic Monitoring"

Student Poster Awards

Translational Neuropsychology: Maia Feignon (IIT), "A Neuropsychological Model of Depression in Individuals with Epilepsy: A Path Analysis"

Evidence-based Practice: Jacob Jones (University of Florida), "Health Comorbidities and Cognition in a Clinic Sample of 403 Parkinson's Disease Patients"

Cross-cultural Neuropsychology: Armando Fuentes (Fordham University), "Neurocognitive and Sociocultural Factors Impacting Medication Beliefs Among HIV-Positive Latinas/os"

Minority Student: Adrienne Meier (Fuller Graduate School of Psychology), "Effects of Co-morbid Disease on Baseline Neurobehavioral Functioning in Breast Cancer Patients"

Junior Investigator Pilot Grants:

Dr. Alison Pritchard (Kennedy Krieger), "Accommodations for ADHD: Are They Effective in Reducing the Impact of the Disorder?"

Dr. Laura Howe (VA Palo Alto), "Validation of the Road Sign Perception Test"

Robert A. and Phyllis Levitt Early Career Award:

Dr. Angela Jefferson (Vanderbilt University)

Education Advisory Committee

Cynthia R. Cimino, Ph.D., Chair

The Education Advisory Committee (EAC) is composed of eight core continuing members as well as rotating representatives from six training/professional organizations in neuropsychology spanning the doctoral, internship and postdoctoral level. The EAC facilitates the education and training mission of Division 40 through promoting academic standards of the education/training of clinical neuropsychologists, promoting training experiences in the neurosciences and neuropsychology, maintaining a web-based listing of doctoral, internship and postdoctoral training programs, monitoring of activities and trends in education/training by working with the Education Directorate of APA and serving as an umbrella organization and support for the Association of Neuropsychology Students in Training (ANST). Below is a listing of current EAC activities.

1. Thesis and Dissertation Awards. The EAC will be submitting a proposal to the Executive Committee to support the development of thesis and dissertation awards. These awards will be in the amount of \$500 to help support costs associated with thesis and dissertation research. We hope to implement this awards program in 2013 if approved by the EC.
2. Tip Sheets. The EAC is developing “Tip Sheets” for doctoral, internship and post-doctoral training. Each of these tip sheets will be tailored for the special needs of trainees at these various levels of training. The EAC will work together with the various training organizations for comments and suggestions.
3. Web Listing of Training Programs. Annual program updates were emailed but several listings remain out of date. We would like to encourage all training directors TO UPDATE INFORMATION ON THE TRAINING LISTING.

We are planning an overhaul of the Training Listing that will begin in 2013. New features will include hotlinks to individual program listings and increased search options. Funds have been requested, approved and budgeted for these changes for the upcoming calendar year.

4. Association for Neuropsychology Students in Training (ANST). The EAC has worked with ANST to organize speakers for a symposium at the 2012 APA Orlando meeting on *Internship Placement in Neuropsychology*. The symposium will be held on Saturday August 4th from 1:00-2:00 p.m.

ANST will also be hosting a social event on Friday August 3rd at 5:30 p.m. to celebrate their 10th Anniversary. A lot has happened in ten years, and ANST has truly blossomed. Happy Anniversary ANST!

5. Competencies in Clinical Neuropsychology. The EAC discussed the issue of competencies in Clinical Neuropsychology. There was significant interest in examining this issue at all levels of training. Dr. Cimino circulated several materials related to competencies. While there was significant interest, no action items have been identified at this point. However, we have asked Division 40 President Bill Barr to invite a representative from the APA Education Directorate to speak to the Executive Committee on recent issues in competencies at the 2012 APA Orlando meeting.

6. The Division Organization/Communication Workgroup. Dr. Cimino participated in a conference call on 4/26/2012 with the Division Organization/Communication Workgroup. Dr. Cimino agreed to create a handbook for the EAC which contains information regarding its structure, mission, membership, functions, leadership rotation, and structure of reporting/tracking. The goal is to increase more seamless transition of committees over time and to establish more explicit evidence of institutional memory.
7. Inter-Organizational Summit on Education and Training (ISET). Dr. Cimino represented Division 40 on the ISET Committee. The results of the 2010 survey on the influence of the Houston Conference Training Guidelines are now in manuscript form. A draft of this manuscript was circulated to EAC members for comment.
8. Standards of Care Committee. Dr. Cimino has been working with the Standards of Care Committee to develop guidelines for assessment/intervention with various patient groups. The committee continues to work on a set of written guidelines for various diagnostic groups, which are anticipated to be complete at the end of 2012.

Education Corner

Cynthia Cimino, PhD.

It's not too early to think about summer – summer 2013, that is. Listed below are a number of summer training opportunities for individuals at all levels including undergraduate, graduate, post-doc and beyond. Most of these offer stipends to cover travel and accommodations. Applications are typically due January-March 2013. Check these out for ways to expand your training experience.

NIMH Summer Institute in Cognitive Neuroscience

<http://sicn.cmb.ucdavis.edu/>

The UCLA Advanced Neuroimaging Summer program

<http://www.brainmapping.org/NITP/Summer2012.php>

ERP Bootcamp at UC Davis

<http://erpinfo.org/the-erp-bootcamp>

APA Science Directorate Advanced Training Institutes

<http://www.apa.org/science/resources/ati/index.aspx>

NIH Office of Behavioral and Social Sciences Research

http://obssr.od.nih.gov/training_and_education/training.aspx

HealthEmotions Research Institute - University of Wisconsin-Madison

<http://www.healthemotions.org/>

RAND/NIA Summer Institute

<http://www.rand.org/labor/aging/rsi/demography.html>

Summer Research Programs for Undergraduates

<http://www.apa.org/education/undergrad/research-opps.aspx>

REU (Research Experience for Undergraduates) through NSF

http://www.nsf.gov/crssprgm/reu/list_result.cfm?unitid=5054

Division 40 Early Career Psychologist Committee

Lauren K. Ayr, Ph.D. - Chair

ECP Committee

Division 40 currently has the highest number of Early Career Psychologists (ECPs) in APA, which defines ECPs as being within seven years of the receipt of their doctorate degree. Please contact me at laurenkayr@gmail.com if you are interested in becoming a committee member, finding out more about how you can be involved in Division 40, or sharing your thoughts and ideas for ECPs.

APA Convention News

The 2012 APA Annual Convention will be held in Orlando, Florida from August 2-5, 2012. Programming organized by the Committee on Early Career Psychology (CECP) includes:

Friday, August 3

- 12:00-12:50 **Money Matters: Financial Planning and Loan Repayments for Early Career Psychologists**, Kyle Gobrogge, PhD, et al.
- 1:00-1:50 **Early Career Psychologists in Academic Medical Departments**, Allison Ponce, PhD, et al.
- 2:00-2:50 **Psychologists and Parent: Seeking a Healthy Balance**, Sarah M. Honaker, PhD, et al.
- 3:00-3:50 **The Nuts and Bolts of Private Practice for Early Career Psychologists**, Katharine J. Hahn Oh, PhD, et al.

Saturday, August 4

- 2:00-2:50 **Successfully Navigating the Tenure Process: Ethical and Legal Implications**, Ayse Ciftci, PhD, et al.

There are also many other sessions for early career psychologists which can be found at <http://www.apa.org/convention/membership/early-career-highlights.aspx>. In addition, two special events have been planned this year:

- Early Career Social Hour Friday, Aug. 2, 6:00-6:50 p.m. Winners of the 2012 Early Career Convention Travel Awards will be acknowledged and the early career committee will present the 2012 CECP Appreciation Awards. Cosponsored by the Committee on Early Career Psychologists and the APA Insurance Trusts
- Early Career Booth Saturday 10:30-11:30 a.m. Enjoy **free coffee and pastries with the Committee on Early Career Psychologists**; meet and greet representatives from the committee; take (or drop off) the [2012 APA Member Benefits and Value Survey](#) and be entered into the drawing to **win a free trip to the 2013 APA convention in Hawaii**; and pick up information and resources for early career psychologists. Located in the Member Resource Area outside of the exhibit hall.

CECP News: Call for Nominations!

The Committee on Early Career Psychologists (CECP) is seeking nominations in two areas for representatives to serve a 3-year term (2013-2015). The first position is a **Practice Representative**. In this position, an ECP will represent the early career practice community in APA. The purpose of this role is to advance, promote, and advocate for the professional interests of early career practicing psychologists in all settings. The second position is a **Psychology in the Public Interest Representative**, where the individual serves

as the representative of CECP for issues of public interest, including the generation and application of psychological knowledge on issues important to well being. This includes advocating around issues of relevance to ECPs of diverse backgrounds, including race/ethnicity, gender and gender identity, sexual orientation, age, religion, and ability status. For more information, or to nominate yourself or a fellow ECP, go to: <http://www.apa.org/careers/early-career/committee/call-for-nominations.aspx>.

List Serve

You can join the CECP Early Career Listserv, a forum dedicated to the needs of early career psychologists that includes ECPs from across APA Divisions and the **State and Provincial Psychological Associations**. To subscribe to the list, send an email to listserv@lists.apa.org with the following text in the body of the message: **SUBSCRIBE EARLYCAREER** (example: SUBSCRIBE EARLYCAREER Robert Smith).

NYSAN/NYNG Host Healthcare Reform Summit for Neuropsychologists

Chris Morrison, PhD, ABPP

The New York State Association of Neuropsychology (NYSAN) hosted a Healthcare Reform (HCR) Summit on June 3rd, 2012 in New York City in conjunction with its partner organization the New York Neuropsychology Group (NYNG). The topics covered in the Summit attracted interest from neuropsychologists across the country and registrants ventured from 7 different eastern states (ranging from Virginia to Vermont) to attend. In the audience of neuropsychologists/psychologists were members of the NAN PAIC, AACN BOD, and Division 40 executive committee. Speakers included Drs. Donna Rasin-Waters, Karen Postal, Margaret Lanca, and Robert McGrath. Several of these presenters are members of APA's Healthcare Reform State Implementation Advisory Group and all of them are active in professional advocacy at state and national levels. The overarching goals of the Summit were to 1) inform neuropsychologists of the fundamentals of the HCR nomenclature, 2) provide an understanding of the "big picture" regarding the changes in mental/medical healthcare delivery (e.g., integrated care) and service reimbursement (e.g., insurance exchanges) already taking place both nationally and within New York State (NYS), 3) educate neuropsychologists in how they should consider altering or supplementing their practices to accommodate new mental/medical health delivery structures, and 4) advise neuropsychologists who practice in any type of setting on how they can advocate for themselves and for our subspecialty at the institution, regional, and state level.

Dr. Rasin-Waters provided an overview of the HCR vocabulary and described why the tide of reform in healthcare delivery and reimbursement will not be reversed, regardless of the Supreme Court decision. She elaborated on the unique issues facing NYS and educated the audience on how they can be advocates for our profession rather than just be victims of the changes already taking place. Dr. Postal helped neuropsychologists understand the likely changes in Medicare and how neuropsychologists will need to alter their practices to accommodate the new healthcare delivery systems. Having her practice become part of an ACO two years ago, Dr. Lanca provided firsthand experience in how her department and training programs have survived this new model. She also gave audience members important examples of how they can fit into this new structure and how to streamline their assessments to assure that neuropsychology is seen as a valuable yet cost effective service. Dr. McGrath provided an overview of the trends for HCR across the country noting that the changes are primarily being engineered at the state level and thus will manifest differently depending on where neuropsychologists practice. In all, the

speakers gave poignant presentations with data that were both sobering and instructional. Feedback on the Summit from attendees was very positive. One attendee commented: “It was really excellent, the speakers were outstanding.”

This type of educational activity represents a considerable expansion in the professional advocacy activities of NYSAN. Originally formed in 2006 to advocate for the professional practice needs of neuropsychologists in NYS, NYSAN’s work initially focused on reversing the NYS ban on the use of testing technicians. While this remains a critical issue, NYSAN has also been quite effective in professional advocacy for neuropsychologists. Success has been achieved in reversing negative insurance decisions, assisting members with insurance reimbursement challenges, and partnering with our national organizations (e.g., AACN and NAN) to limit or reverse insurance policies that negatively impact neuropsychologists. As part of this continuing effort to advocate for the interests of neuropsychologists in NYS, and seeing the need to not only educate them on the HCR but mobilize their energy toward a common advocacy goal, NYSAN developed the HCR Summit.

In keeping the global message advocated by the conference speakers, Dr. Katherine Nordal of the APAPO, and many others to “be at the table,” neuropsychologists across the country are strongly encouraged to educate themselves on the current changes in healthcare delivery models so that they can mobilize advocacy activities. Once armed with the necessary information, neuropsychologists are urged to meet with state officials to discuss how neuropsychology will fit into the integrated healthcare delivery model. It is important to emphasize at such meetings how the evidence-based practice of neuropsychology can be effectively utilized to optimize patient care and simultaneously reduce healthcare costs. It will be power in numbers and this type of collective advocacy work that will allow us to survive as clinical neuropsychologists in the coming wave of healthcare reform.

Those who are interested in more details regarding the content of the June 3rd HCR Summit are referred to the NYSAN website www.the-nysan.org for further information, or email Chris Morrison, PhD, ABPP at chris.morrison@nyumc.org. Given the success of this Summit, NYSAN anticipates coordinating a follow-up event to expand on topics that were only summarized at this first event and to address additional topics relevant to the changes in healthcare delivery and reimbursement as the new models continue to evolve and develop.

Scientific Advisory Committee

Robert Paul, Ph.D.

The Division 40 Scientific Advisory Committee (SAC) has added Drs. Shawn McClintock, Michael Basso, John Gunstad, Rebecca Ready and Angela Jefferson to the roster of neuropsychologists that help guide the scientific activities of Division 40. We are looking forward to their contribution throughout the year. Specific activities that will be supported by the SAC include the Jr. Investigator Pilot grant program, which will sponsor two awards to help promote the research career of junior neuropsychologists and lead towards independent external funding. Additional details regarding the application process will be provided in the near future. In addition, SAC will again co-sponsor a student mentoring session at the APA convention in Orlando. The event is co-sponsored by SAC, Div 20, CONA and CECF and will be co-chaired by Drs. Brian Yochim and Rob Paul. Finally, SAC is in the early stages of creating a simple online tool kit for grant writing to support junior investigators; more details to follow.

**Women in Neuropsychology (WIN)
The WINners Box**

Chris Morrison, PhD, ABPP
WIN Subcommittee Chair

We would like to honor Jennifer J. Manly, PhD in this issue's "WINners Box." Dr. Manly completed her graduate training in neuropsychology at the University of California at San Diego in 1996. After a clinical internship at Brown University, she completed 2 years of postdoctoral training at Columbia University in New York. She is now an Associate Professor of Neuropsychology in Neurology at the G.H. Sergievsky Center and the Taub Institute for Research in Aging and Alzheimer's disease within the Department of Neurology at Columbia University.

Dr. Manly's research focuses on health disparities in dementia, and cultural and educational influences on the epidemiology, biomarkers, and neuropsychology of Alzheimer's disease. Her work seeks to clarify the independent influences of language, acculturation, educational experiences, racial socialization, and socio-economic status on cognitive test performance, with the ultimate goal of understanding more about the relationship between culture and cognition. Dr. Manly has been funded by various sources including the National Institute on Aging and the Senator Mark Hatfield Award for Clinical Research in Alzheimer's disease from the Alzheimer's Association. Her research program is quite prolific and has produced a great deal of seminal work. Dr. Manly has authored over 80 peer-reviewed publications and 8 chapters.

Dr. Manly's contributions to governance, research, and the peer reviewed literature are also quite abundant. Some of her roles include having served as chair of the American Psychological Association Division 40 (Clinical Neuropsychology) Program Committee, Division 40 and 45 (Society for the Psychological Study of Ethnic Minority Issues) Member-at-Large, and Division 40 representative to APA council. In addition, she has served on various APA-wide committees. Dr. Manly has chaired the Continuing Education Committee of the International Neuropsychological Society, served as an associate editor of the Journal of the International Neuropsychological Society, and is a consulting editor for several other journals, including Neuropsychology, The Clinical Neuropsychologist, the Journal of Clinical and Experimental Neuropsychology, the Archives of Clinical Neuropsychology, and Alzheimer's Disease & Associated Disorders. Dr. Manly received Early Career Awards from both Division 40 of the American Psychological Association and from the National Academy of Neuropsychology, and she is a Fellow of APA. Finally, she was selected to serve on the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services Advisory Council on Alzheimer's Research, Care and Services.

Dr. Manly is highly regarded in our field and receives invitations to speak at national meetings. It is thus with great pleasure that the WIN committee recognizes the many accomplishments and hard work of role model in our field.

By Chris Morrison, PhD, ABPP

If you would like to highlight your work or that of a colleague, please make your submission to Chris Morrison, PhD, ABPP at chris.morrison@nyumc.org

Nominations for Division 40 Fellows

Doug Johnson-Greene, PhD, MPH, ABPP;
Chair, D40 Fellows Committee

APA Fellow status is an honor that recognizes evidence of unusual and outstanding contributions to or performance in the field of psychology that has had impact beyond a local, state, or regional level. We in Division 40 view election as a Fellow as an honor not only for the individual but also for the Division, and we welcome the nomination of outstanding division members for this distinction who have made substantial contributions to the field of neuropsychology.

Nominations of Initial Fellows: The nomination procedure for a Division 40 member applying for Fellowship requires the completion and submission of a "Uniform Fellow Blank," which is available on the Division 40 website as a downloadable PDF file. Individuals who are current APA Fellows and who can address the nominee's accomplishments in the area of Neuropsychology need to complete endorsement letters, written within the calendar year of nomination. A minimum of three (3) letters is required. Required supporting materials include a current vita, a listing of the nominee's publications with "R" for refereed indicated, and the nominee's self-statement setting forth the accomplishments that warrant Fellow status in Division 40 is required. Division 40 strongly encourages women and minority members to apply for Fellowship.

Nominations of Current Fellows: APA Members who are already Fellows in other Divisions may also become Fellows in Division 40 if they can demonstrate unusual and outstanding contributions in neuropsychology. A complete application including letters of recommendation as outlined above is required. A self-statement setting forth the accomplishments in neuropsychology that warrant Fellow status in Division 40 is required.

Submission of Materials and Deadline: Nominees are strongly encouraged to make contact with the D40 Fellows Chair prior to submission of materials. All nomination materials should be completed and submitted to the Division's Fellowship Committee (not APA Central Office) by **December 1st**. No materials will be accepted after this date. Please note that submission deadlines listed on the APA website pertain to the Division Fellows Committee's Nominees, not individual applicants. Successful nominations are announced in August following the APA annual meeting. Nomination materials can be obtained online at <http://www.apa.org/membership/fellows/index.aspx> or from the Fellow's chair. All questions and completed materials should be directed to Doug Johnson-Greene, PhD, MPH, ABPP; Chair, D40 Fellows Committee; Associate Professor and Vice-Chairman of Rehabilitation Medicine; Univ. of Miami-Miller School of Medicine 1120 NW 14th Street; Clinical Research Bldg Suite 954 Miami, FL 33136; TEL: (305) 243-8472; Email: djgreene@med.miami.edu.

Publications & Communications Committee

Michael A. Cole, Ph.D. - Chair

The Publications & Communications (P&C) Committee oversees Division 40 publications and communications including the newsletter, website, social media, brochures and pamphlets.

The P&C Committee continues to play a significant role in Division 40's Strategic Plan Agenda, which aims to find new and improved ways for communication among Division 40 members. The newly established social media component of Division 40 is thriving with nearly 700 individuals on the Division 40 Facebook site (<http://www.facebook.com/division40>) and over 250 "followers" on Twitter (<http://twitter.com/APADivision40>). Through these venues, you can receive the latest news in neuropsychology as it relates to clinical practice, training issues and novel research, as well as receive updates on Division 40 activities. In addition, a forum is provided in which Division members can directly communicate with each other to discuss current topics and questions.

There will also be other significant changes regarding the way that Division 40 communicates with its membership. Keep your eyes peeled for a membership survey that will be released by the Division 40 Engagement Task Force that will solicit your opinion about how Division 40 can best use its various forms of communication (e.g., website, newsletter, social media) to keep you informed and connected.

It is important to recognize the following individuals for their significant contributions to the ongoing efforts of the P & C Committee: Brian Yochim (Editor, *Newsletter 40*), Bill Barr (Archivist), Utaka Springer and Traci Sitzer.

Announcement of a special event at the upcoming APA convention in Orlando:

Speed Mentoring for Budding Geropsychology and Neuropsychology Research Careers

Friday, August 3, 2012 12:00 PM - 1:50 PM
Convention Center, Room W311F

Lunch will be served.

Session Organizers:

Adam M. Brickman, PhD: Division 40 and APA Committee on Aging
Robert H. Paul, PhD, ABPP-CN: Division 40 Science Advisory Committee
Brian P. Yochim, PhD, ABPP: Division 20 and 40

Students and junior investigators are invited to join Division 20, Division 40, and the APA Committee on Aging for an interactive mentoring program. The program will include brief presentations demystifying the process of applying for grants. Then, there will be a mock review study section to illustrate the types of issues that arise in the review of grant applications. Senior investigators and NIH program representatives will be on hand to answer questions in informal small-group and one-on-one discussions on issues regarding the development and implementation of early career research programs. Faculty are encouraged to attend with current and recently graduated students.

Sponsored by

Division 20 (Adult Development and Aging),
Division 40 (Clinical Neuropsychology) Science Advisory Committee,
APA Committee on Aging (CONA)

For additional information about this research mentoring program contact:
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