

E-Update Nov 10, 2023



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The weekly E-update is the tool by which MPA members can share information or announcements with each other. It is a member benefit and the mechanism by which MPA shares important notices regarding trends in psychiatry, pharmaceutical updates, information about your medical practice, advocacy, your opinions, and job opportunities. Members are encouraged to make the content their own. Please submit items for weekly publication by Thursday at 5pm. Your email addresses are protected by the DB and not for sale or use by any other entity besides the DB. Content should be pertinent to the practice of psychiatry or related medical information. Review the E-update highlighted titles and attachments for content and action steps. We value your input and attention to your specialty! Any item that appears in [royal blue](#) contains a link for detailed information on the topic. Questions regarding membership status are referred to our APA Membership Coordinator, Doneisha Berryman. Please contact Doneisha at 202-459-9749 or dberryman@psych.org.

MPA Assembly Reps Attend Meeting in Baltimore, MD Last Weekend



MPA Assembly Reps Doctors **Chasity Torrence** and **Corey Jackson** attended the APA Assembly Meeting in Baltimore, MD last weekend which included the Area 5 Meeting. The final Assembly Action Papers are available at the following link: [Assembly November 2023 Final Action Papers](#).

Reserve your spot for MPA/LPMA Meeting March 2024

Make your reservation now for the 2024 LPMA/MPA Spring meeting to be hosted in Baton Rouge, March 1 – 3. This is an opportunity to explore the latest developments in the field of psychiatry in a relaxed and welcoming environment at the Marriott Baton Rouge. Engage with experts on important topics such as Psychedelic Drugs in Substance Use Disorders, Perinatal Mental Health, Risk Management, Physician Assisted Suicide to name a few. We are excited to again partner with LPMAA and the Mid-Gulf Council for Child & Adolescent Psychiatry. I encourage you to take this opportunity to connect with colleagues and contribute to the ongoing progress of psychiatry. Registration details will be

available soon however, you can [book your hotel room](#) now.

November 16, Noon – 12:30 p.m. ET: 2024 Medicare Physician Fee Schedule & Telehealth Policy Updates, a discussion on the landscape of telehealth policy in 2024, including the Medicare Physician Fee Schedule and updates to telemedicine prescribing of controlled substances.

Register: [Webinar Registration - Zoom](#)

MPA Representation at Election Night Gatherings

On Tuesday evening in Jackson and Flowood, several post-election parties were held to celebrate the re-election of many statewide elected officials. MPA had a presence at gatherings held for Governor Tate Reeves, Lieutenant Governor Delbert Hosemann and Insurance Commissioner, Mike Chaney. We are already beginning work on 2024 legislative priorities and garnered vital information from Commissioner Chaney on prior authorization and what to expect for 2024.

DMH 52 Weeks of Progress This week, we highlight the **Mississippi Behavioral Health Learning Network (BHLN)**. The BHLN is a partnership between the Mississippi Department of Mental Health and the Mississippi Public Health Institute, dedicated to advancing the knowledge and expertise of Mississippi's behavioral health providers by providing evidence-based, relevant and effective training and professional development opportunities. Having successfully trained more than 2,100 people and 380 organizations in FY23, the BHLN not only equips professionals with essential tools, but also fosters a more informed and empathetic understanding within the broader community. BHLN offers an assortment of relevant and current training modules and in addition to in-person training, offers an online training network through web-based training, webinars and self-paced learning modules. The educational purpose of the MSBHLN is to offer professionals and practitioners the opportunity to enhance their knowledge, improve their skills, exchange information on best practices and learn strategies to incorporate the latest research and new trends in their practice. To learn more about available trainings, visit www.msbhln.org.



This week, we also highlight Adolescent Offender Programs (AOPs).

With AOPs in operation, youth court judges and referees have an alternative to court-ordering youth who have mental health needs to lengthened stays in juvenile detention centers or other consequences that may lack a mental health component. Youth appropriate for participation in AOPs are youth up to age 18 who have committed non-violent crimes, misdemeanors or status offenses such as curfew violations or truancy and who have or who are suspected of having a mental health diagnosis and/or substance use disorder. Youth participating in AOPs receive individual therapy, family therapy, peer support, and Community Support Services. All programs



are required to include an Addictions Therapist to provide therapy, if needed, and education on topics related to substance use and addiction.

An evidence-based curriculum for juvenile offenders, such as Structured Psychotherapy for Adolescents Responding to Stress, is utilized to teach coping skills for substance use, anger, depression, anxiety and related issues in a supportive group setting. Each program operates with at least four but no more than 10 youth in the program. A licensed or DMH credentialed master's level therapist is required for each program in addition to an assistant with at least a high school diploma or

GED. The program operates at least two days per week for two hours each day up to five days a week for five hours a day. Length of the program is determined at the discretion of the judge and/or when identified goals in the Individual Service Plan are achieved. Typically, length of stay for youth in the program is three to nine months.

THREE THINGS TO KNOW ABOUT: TMS THERAPY

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New Job Opportunities

- 1) Ridgewood Clinic is looking to add a psychiatrist in growing outpatient practice in Jackson Mississippi. If you have an interest in private practice, we can offer you a year's competitive salary and after that sharing office expenses. It may take 6 months for credentials to be approved by the insurance company, but if you have already been approved by the insurance company in Mississippi we can immediately start. If you are interested, you can call me at 601-954-2366. **Krishan K Gupta MD, Diplomat ABPN**
- 2) MPA Colleagues - I am the U.S. Department of State recruiter for Louisiana, Mississippi, Arkansas, and Oklahoma. I would like to highlight job openings for our Regional Medical Officer Psychiatrist positions. These positions are located overseas in a U.S. Embassy, location dependent on needs of the service. Link as follows: <https://www.usajobs.gov/job/756292700> - please find attached a .pdf of the detailed Job Summary, Duties, and Requirements.

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3) ASSOCIATE PROGRAM DIRECTOR POSITION AT MISSISSIPPI STATE HOSPITAL

Mississippi State Hospital (MSH) is seeking to fill its vacant Associate Program Director position within its Psychiatry Residency Program. MSH is a licensed 382-bed state psychiatric hospital which is accredited by The Joint Commission and located in Rankin County, Mississippi. The hospital's dedicated patient care staff consists of highly skilled and caring medical professionals, nurses, behavioral health staff, social workers, and support staff who work together to provide patient-centered care on a daily basis. Services provided include: adult and child/adolescent psychiatric treatment, substance use disorder treatment, as well as treatment provided for forensic patients.

Further, MSH promotes educational growth within the psychiatric field through its ACGME accredited psychiatry residency program as well as through other educational ventures and partnerships it has with entities such as nursing schools and psychology departments throughout the country.

The Associate Residency Program Director is an integral role and includes the following responsibilities:

- Maintain and develop resident training curricula in accordance with the ACGME's Common Program Requirements (CPR) and Professional Standards and Requirements (PSR).
- Formulate goals and objectives for each clinical rotation as outlined by the CPR.
- Participate in site visits and surveys.
- Ensure the quality of didactic and clinical education at sites participating in the program by monitoring the clinical learning and working environment (CLER) at all participating sites.
- Assure compliance of participating sites with ACGME requirements.
- Serve as the course director as assigned by the Residency Program Director (PD) and provide didactic lectures.
- Serve on the Clinical Competence Committee (CCC), Program Evaluation Committee (PEC), the Recruitment and Selection Committee, and the Graduate Medical Education Executive Committee (GMEC).
- Coordinate outpatient experiences for PGY-3 and PGY-4 residents with various local mental health centers.

Minimum Qualifications: Verifiable Doctor of Medicine Degree or Doctor of Osteopathic Medicine Degree from an accredited medical school; completion of a psychiatry residency program; a verifiable current, unrestricted license to practice medicine in the State of Mississippi; and board certification in psychiatry. The applicant must submit at least three references from peers.

Benefits: No after-hours call and no weekend call.

A physician working as an employee (not on contract) will receive benefits of health insurance, paid leave (personal, medical, and holiday), and participation in PERS (retirement system).

Prior to an offer of employment, the applicant must provide a copy of a current Mississippi Medical License, have satisfactory results from a criminal background check and have satisfactory results from a urine drug screen.

Peer references, a copy of Mississippi Medical License, and a curriculum vitae may be submitted to Duncan.Stone@msh.ms.gov.

For more information, you may contact 601-351-8066.

October Course of the Month – Neurobiology and Treatment of Post-Traumatic Stress Disorder

Post-traumatic stress disorder (PTSD) is a disabling serious psychiatric illness which has been increasing in prevalence in recent years. This course will describe the diagnosis, epidemiology, pathophysiology and treatment of PTSD, with an emphasis on evidence-based treatments.

[Click here to access the Course of the Month and sign up for updates about this free member benefit.](#)

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Nominations open for new Council on Women's Mental Health

APA's Board of Trustees recently approved the creation of a Council on Women's Mental Health. The council will centralize APA's work related to women's mental health and serve as a source of information, guidance, and support for other APA components. [Nominations are open for APA members](#) until Nov. 15.

Silent Storms: Unraveling Perinatal Mental Health: On-Demand Webinar Available to Enhance Care during Perinatal Period

An On-Demand webinar is now available on the topic of mental health during the perinatal period, open to all. Viewers will learn about SMIs specific to this phase, their risk factors, and strategies for awareness and destigmatization.

[REGISTER HERE](#)

@theAPA November Event:

Mark your calendars for November 17 to join us at APA Headquarters for the **Child and Adolescent Psychiatry Update**. This second event of our new immersive learning series will provide an update on the five critical domains relevant to practicing psychiatrists and primary care physicians. Don't miss this opportunity to stay informed and enhance your professional expertise. [Sign up for Updates.](#)

Be a part of APA's Speakers Bureau

APA is seeking members who are active and engaged in Component activities to be a part of APA's Speaker's Bureau. The Speaker's Bureau is aimed at diversifying and broadening APA's

bench of public-facing experts. In addition to traditional media requests, APA has a number of other opportunities available for members who are willing to share their expertise. This includes writing blogs on important mental health topics, providing government testimony, and participation in social media events, like Twitter chats, Instagram live, and more.

Members of the APA Speaker's Bureau, as an internal influencer group, will also be asked to amplify APA's voice by promoting public education initiatives via social media and engaging during APA social media events.

Simply scan this QR code to access the speaker's bureau form and add your voice.



Note: Any personal information shared is kept **strictly confidential** and only able to be accessed by APA Communications staff. We ask for this information so that we can get a decent picture of who our experts are and make the best match for a given opportunity. Participation in this project does not guarantee that a member will be contacted for a media interview or other public-facing opportunity.

Please contact James Carty (jcarty@psych.org) with any questions you may have.