15th Annual VA Psychology Leadership Conference

Theme:

“VA Psychology Advancing the Transformation: New Directions and Technologies for Care”

Co-Sponsored by the APA Practice Directorate, the Association of VA Psychologist Leaders (AVAPL) and APA Division 18-Psychologists in Public Service

April 11-14, 2012
The Westin Riverwalk
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San Antonio, TX 78205
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 bli Confe rence: Wednesday, April 11, 2012

5:30 pm - 7:30 pm Registration and Informal Social Camino Real-Lobby Level

 Conference Day 1: Thursday, April 12, 2012
(Not e: all P le nary Sessions will be in the Hidalgo Ballroom unless otherwise noted)

7:00 am - 8:00 am Continental Breakfast Hidalgo Ballroom, Foyer
8:00 am - 8:30 am Welcome and Overview Hidalgo Ballroom
8:30 am - 8:45 am Opening Keynote Address Introduction

Mary Schohn, Ph.D., Director, Mental Health Operations Office of Mental Health Operations, VA Central Office

8:45 am - 9:30 am Opening Keynote Address

William C. Schoenhard, FACHE
Deputy Under Secretary for Health for Operations and Management VA Central Office
9:30 am - 10:00 am  
**Update on Psychology Education in VA**

Robert Zeiss, Ph.D., Director, Associated Health Education  
Office of Academic Affiliations, VA Central Office

10:00 am - 10:30 am  
**Overview of New Technologies in VA Mental Health**

Sonja V. Batten, Ph.D.  
Deputy Chief Consultant for  
Specialty Mental Health  
Office of Mental Health Services, VA Central Office

10:30 am - 11:00 am  
**Break**

11:00 am - 12:00 pm  
**Breakouts Session: New Technologies in Mental Health Treatment**

**Breakout 1: Tools for Recovery Oriented Treatment Planning:**  
The Mental Health Suite Treatment Planning Software and My HealtheVet My Goals Module  
**Room: Hidalgo Ballroom / Ballroom Level**

Jenne Evans, Ph.D., Informatics Educator,  
Office of Mental Health Services, VA Central Office

Kathleen Lysell, Psy.D., National Mental Health Director for Informatics  
Office of Mental Health Services, VA Central Office

**Breakout 2: Web-based Self-Help Programs for Veterans and Service Members**  
**Room: Madero / Ballroom Level**

Ken Weingardt, Ph.D., National Director, Web Services  
Office of Mental Health Services, VA Central Office

**Breakout 3: Current and Future Directions in VHA Mental Health Mobile Applications**  
**Room: Carranza / Ballroom Level**

Julia Hoffman, Psy.D., Clinical Psychologist / Mobile Apps Lead Dissemination & Training Division, National Center for PTSD  
VA Palo Alto Health Care System
Breakout 4: Connecting with Veterans of All Ages: Using Social Media & Online Strategies
Room: Sabino /Lobby Level

Laurie Slone, Ph.D., Associate Director for Information and Communication
VA National Center for PTSD

12:00 pm – 1:30 pm
Lunch – Special Interest Groups Networking
Area 1: Early Career Psychologists – Carranza / Ballroom Level
Area 2: Technology and Informatics – Madero / Ballroom Level
Area 3: VA Psychology Training - Sabino / Lobby Level
Area 4: General Networking - Hidalgo Ballroom / Ballroom Level

1:30 pm – 2:30 pm
Breakouts Session: New Technologies in Mental Health Treatment (Repeated)
(See previous descriptions and room locations)

2:30 pm – 3:00 pm
Break

3:00 pm – 4:30pm
Invited Panel – Telemental Health: Expanding Access to Care through Technology

VA Telemental Health Overview: Expanding and Emerging Technologies

John Peters, Program Analyst
Office of Telehealth Services, VA Central Office

Expanding Access to Psychotherapy Through Telemental Health: The EBP for PTSD Telemental Health Initiative

Tracey Leone Smith, Ph.D., Psychotherapy Coordinator
Office of Mental Health Services - VA Central Office

Home Based Telemental Health: Meeting Veterans Where they're @

Peter Shore, Psy.D., Program Manager, Web Services
Office of Mental Health Services, VA Central Office
VISN20 Telemental Health Lead

4:30pm -5:00 pm
Invited Address and Presentation of the Patrick DeLeon Advocacy Award

Randy Phelps, Ph.D., APA Deputy Executive Director for Professional Practice
Conference Day 2: Friday, April 13, 2012
(Note: all Plenary Sessions will be in the Hidalgo Ballroom unless otherwise noted)

7:00 am - 8:00 am  Continental Breakfast  Hidalgo Ballroom, Foyer
8:00 am - 8:15 am  Welcome and Housekeeping  Hidalgo Ballroom
8:15 am – 9:00 am  Keynote Address: APA President
Psychology’s Paradigm Shift: Can Psychology Successfully Transition from a Mental Health to a Health Profession?

Suzanne Bennett Johnson, Ph.D.
President, American Psychological Association

9:00 am – 9:30 am  Break

9:30 am – 10:45 am  Panel – Complex Clinical Presentations

Dialectical Behavior Therapy (DBT) in the VA

Sara J. Landes, Ph.D., Research Health Science Specialist
Dissemination & Training Division
National Center for PTSD
VA Palo Alto Health Care System

Laura L. Meyers, Ph.D., ABPP, Co-coordinator of DBT Program
Primary Care/Mental Health Integration Team
Minneapolis VA Health Care System

Meeting the Complex Needs of Veterans with PTSD and their Loved Ones: An Evolving Suite of Services in the VA

Shirley Glynn, Ph.D., Clinical Research Psychologist
VA Greater Los Angeles Healthcare System at West LA
Office of Mental Health Services, VA Central Office

Changing Approaches to Management of Pain, Opioid Pain Relievers and Addiction: Implications for Psychologists

Mark Ilgen, Ph.D. Research Investigator / Staff Psychologist
VA Serious Mental Illness Treatment Research and Evaluation Center
VAMC Ann Arbor, MI
10:45 am - 11:30 am  
**Introduction to the Mental Health Information System (MHIS) Dashboard**

Alex Sox Harris, Ph.D., Associate Director  
Program Evaluation and Resource Center

11:30 am - 11:45 am  
**Break – Pick up Box Lunches**  
Hidalgo Ballroom, Foyer
Lantana – Lobby Level

11:45 am - 12:45 pm  
**Lunch - Clinical Breakouts**

**Breakout 1: How to Successfully Implement DBT in the VA**  
*Room: Encino / Lobby Level*

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**Breakout 2: Opportunities and Challenges in Integrated Treatment of Co-Morbid Chronic Pain and Substance Use Disorders**  
*Room: Lantana / Lobby Level*

Mark Ilgen, Ph.D.  
VA Serious Mental Illness Treatment Research and Evaluation Center  
VAMC Ann Arbor, MI

Daniel Kivlahan, Ph.D., Acting National Mental Health Program Director, Addictive Disorders  
Office of Mental Health Services, VA Central Office

**Breakout 3: PTSD: One Disorder, Multiple Family Approaches**  
*Room: Hidalgo Ballroom / Ballroom Level*

Barbara M. Dausch, Ph.D., Director, Family Program  
Eastern Colorado HealthCare System, Denver  
Assistant Professor, Department of Psychiatry, University of Colorado, Denver and Health Sciences Center

Peter Fehrenbach, Ph.D.  
Director, Family Therapy Program  
VA Puget Sound Health Care System, Seattle  
Clinical Associate Professor of Psychology and Psychiatry  
University of Washington
Steven L. Sayers, Ph.D., Co-Associate Director for Education
VISN 4 MIRECC, Philadelphia VA Medical Center
Associate Professor of Psychology in Psychiatry
University of Pennsylvania

Moderator: Shirley Glynn, Ph.D., Clinical Research Psychologist
VA Greater Los Angeles Healthcare System at West LA
Office of Mental Health Services, VA Central Office

Breakout 4: Leadership Through Stormy Weather: A Participatory Discussion About Competing Priorities and Ethical Challenges
Room: Sabino / Lobby Level

Jeff Burk, Ph.D., National Mental Health Director for Psychosocial Rehabilitation and Recovery Services
Office of Mental Health Services, VA Central Office

Dave Carroll, Ph.D., Lead, Improve Veterans Mental Health Initiative
Office of Healthcare Transformation, VA Central Office

Lisa Kearney, Ph.D. National Integrated Care Coordinator
Office of Mental Health Operations, VA Central Office

12:45 pm – 1:00 pm
Break

1:00 pm - 3:00 pm
VA Central Office Invited Panel

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Office of Mental Health Services, VA Central Office

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Mary Schohn, Ph.D., Director, Mental Health Operations
Office of Mental Health Operations, VA Central Office

Antonette Zeiss, Ph.D., Chief Consultant
Office of Mental Health Services, VA Central Office

3:00 pm – 3:30 pm
Break
Panel: What Counts in Mental Health and What we are Counting: Your "Performance Measures"

Daniel Kivlahan, Ph.D., Acting National Mental Health Program Director, Addictive Disorders Office of Mental Health Services, VA Central Office

Kathleen Lysell, Psy.D., National Mental Health Director for Informatics Office of Mental Health Services, VA Central Office

Open Discussion

Social Hour Navarro Ballroom B

♦ CE Workshops Day: Saturday, April 14, 2012

7:30 am - 8:00 am
Continental Breakfast

Encino Foyer / Lobby Level

8:00 am - 12:00 pm
CE Workshops

Workshop 1: VA Integrated Ethics: Advancing the Transformation of Ethics Quality in Health Care

Room: Sabino / Lobby Level

John P. Billig, Ph.D., ABPP, LP, Psychology Supervisor Minneapolis VA Health Care System

Workshop 2: Developing and Implementing a Telemental Health Program

Room: Encino / Lobby Level

Peter Shore, Psy.D., Program Manager, Web Services Office of Mental Health Services, VA Central Office VISN20 Telemental Health Lead

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