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Welcome to the July 2014 edition of WPS e-News, a publication of the Washington Psychiatric Society. Our intent is to provide members with important news and notices in an easy to read format. **We welcome your submissions. Please send all notices to enews@dcpsych.org.** This publication may also be found online in PDF format for printing at <http://www.dcpsych.org>.

CME COMMITTEE

CME UPDATE

Your CME committee has been very busy planning programs starting in September.

September 27th: Fall Symposium at Suburban Hospital; Dr. Gonzalo Laje is planning an exciting program to educate us on the latest developments in Pharmacogenetics.

October 27th, Dr. Paul Rosenberg from Johns Hopkins will be addressing a salon on the Psychiatric Aspects of Alzheimer's Disease.

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December 7th, Dr. George Kolodner will be bringing us up to date on the latest research on marijuana and the debate on legalization at a salon.

Dr. Steven Epstein, our new President, is helping to organize a springtime Presidential symposium on Integrated Care in Psychiatry, the theme of this year's APA President.

We are also working on salons to keep you current in the winter months.

As many of you know, the DC Council now requires that as a requirement for your medical license, you must demonstrate three hours of CME activity in the area of HIV/AIDS. We have had many requests for HIV education from the CME committee, which we did last year, but it was not well attended. We are looking at other ways to obtain this requirement. APA AIDS Office is working on coming up with some online material. Meanwhile the Medical Society of DC is offering a free, self-study webinar on HIV to its members for three hours of CME. All physicians practicing in DC should be members of DCMS for the important work they do for us. In addition, they have offered free access to this program for WPS members. You may contact DCMS at 202-466-1800 or E-mail Pia Duryea at duryea@msdc.org with questions about medical society membership and benefits. To enroll in the course, go to <http://proadc.elmexchange.com> and register.

In addition, AACME also offers an online course that offers three hours of CME credit, and is much broader and more complete, but costs \$45 to obtain credit after taking the exam. You may access it at www.dc.cme.edu.

We will keep searching for more opportunities to help you meet this CME requirement. Please stay posted for an exciting year of CME activities, and let us know if you have suggestions for topics, speakers, or wish to volunteer your home for a salon. Also, we have an opening if someone wants to join us on the CME Committee.

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APA NEWS

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The APA is now accepting abstract submissions for its 168th Annual Meeting to be held in Toronto, Ontario, Canada. May 16-21, 2015. The theme of the meeting is "Psychiatry: Integrating Body and Mind, Heart and Soul."

[CLICK HERE TO LEARN MORE](#), or to submit abstracts.

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Statement of APA President Paul Summergrad, MD, Praising Senator Mark Begich's Efforts to Increase Veterans' Access to Psychiatrists

ARLINGTON, Va. (June 25, 2014) – Today the American Psychiatric Association (APA) lauded U.S. Senator Mark Begich (D-Alaska) and the remarks he made to the Conference Committee reconciling the Senate and House's bills to reform to

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the Department of Veterans Affairs. According to APA President Paul Summergrad, MD:

“Senator Begich is distinguished for eloquently and urgently voicing the plight of our nation’s veterans. As he noted in his remarks before the committee yesterday, more than 55 percent of post-9/11 veterans have mental health diagnoses and the number of suicide deaths among our veterans is troubling. Not only has he spoken out to encourage his colleagues to address the ‘single greatest workforce need’ in the Veterans Health Administration by hiring more psychiatrists, he also is the Senate sponsor of an important, bipartisan bill to help solve it, by offering medical loan repayment incentives to psychiatrists and improving access to mental health care in rural areas. We thank Senator Begich for championing the critical issue of supporting the mental health and substance use treatment needs of our veterans. We urge the conference committee to take a comprehensive approach to VA reform and incorporate the Ensuring Veterans’ Resiliency Act that he has thoughtfully proposed.”

EVRA has been introduced in both the House and Senate as HR4234 and S2425 respectively.

Mental Health Bill Signing

On Thursday, May8, 2014 at St. Joseph’s Villa in Richmond, Governor McAuliffe held a ceremony signing into law key mental health legislation approved by the General Assembly. Legislators from across the state joined the Governor that included; Delegate Rob Bell (R-Charlottesville), Senator Walter Stosch (R-Glen Allen), Senator Donald McEachin (D-Richmond), Delegate Jennifer McClellan (D-Richmond), Delegate John O’Bannon (R-Henrico) and Senator George Barker (D-Alexandria).

Delegate O’Bannon spoke of his HB 323 on TDO transportation which allows the magistrate to specify any willing law-enforcement agency to provide transportation during a TDO as opposed to only the jurisdiction where the individual resides. Delegate Bell explained his reform bills and the need for DBHDS to evaluate qualifications and training of individuals performing evaluations of individuals subject to emergency custody orders and establishing a procedure for transferring custody of a person from one facility to another facility who has been subject to a TDO. Senator Barker who was a de facto leader in determining proper reform bills for the 2014 Session discussed his SB 439 that would extend the

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period that a person may be held pursuant to a TDO from 48 hours to 72 hours. In addition, the bill requires that the community services board required to monitor a person who is the subject of a mandatory outpatient treatment order shall acknowledge receipt of the order within five business days.

A week and half prior to the bill signing, Governor McAuliffe joined Senator Creigh Deeds (D-Charlottesville) to sign his omnibus Senate Bill 260 that included a state-wide bed registry, more time for patients under an ECO, a state facility providing a bed of last resort and a four-year study of mental health services to identify additional reforms.

[HB 293; Temporary detention, determining facility for individual](#)

Delegate Robert B. Bell (R – Charlottesville)

[HB 323; Temporary detention order, transportation](#)

Delegate John O'Bannon (R – Richmond)

[HB 478; Emergency custody order, duration, extension](#)

Delegate Ronald A. Villanueva (R – Virginia Beach)

[HB 574; Mandatory outpatient treatment, acknowledgement of transfer & receipt of order within 5 days](#)

Delegate Joseph R. Yost (R – Radford)

[HB 743; Mental health, prohibition of firearms](#)

Delegate Jennifer L. McClellan (D – Richmond)

[HB 1172; Temporary detention, procedure for transferring person](#)

Delegate Robert B. Bell (R – Charlottesville)

[HB 1216; DBHDS evaluate qualifications and training of individuals performing evaluations of individuals](#)

Delegate Robert B. Bell (R – Charlottesville)

[HB 1232; Acute psychiatric bed registry, DBHDS shall develop and administer a web-based registry](#)

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Delegate Benjamin L. Cline (R – Amherst)

[HB 1268; Student mental health policies and procedures, violence prevention committees](#)

Delegate Timothy D. Hugo (R – Centreville)

[SB 239; Student mental health policies and procedures, violence prevention committees](#)

Senator J. Chapman Petersen (D – Fairfax)

[SB 261; DBHDS qualifications of individuals performing certain evaluations](#)

Senator R. Creigh Deeds (D – Charlottesville)

[SB 439; Mandatory outpatient treatment, acknowledgement of transfer & receipt of order within 5 days](#)

Senator George L. Barker (D – Alexandria)

[SB 576; Mental health, prohibition of firearms](#)

Senator A. Donald McEachin (D – Richmond)

[SJ 47; Mental health, joint subcommittee to study services in the Commonwealth in twenty-first century](#)

Senator R. Creigh Deeds (D – Charlottesville)

MEMBER IN THE NEWS!

"Eliot Sorel, MD, Clinical Professor of Psychiatry & Behavioral Sciences and of Global Health, Health Services Management & Leadership at the George Washington University was awarded the *Doctor Honoris Causa* by the Politehnica University of Bucharest Romania. The title of Dr. Sorel's *lectio magistralis* was *Educate to Innovate, Innovate to Educate: 21st Century Trans-disciplinary Challenges & Opportunities*. The ceremonies were attended by the GWU Vice President for Research, Leo M. Chalupa, PhD as well as leading scholars, academics, health leaders, members of the diplomatic corps, the business community and GWU Alumni in Romania. The event took place in the Politehnica University

Senate Hall, on Thursday June 5th, 2014."

<http://www.sanabuna.ro/the-honorable-professor-eliot-sorel-was-awarded-the-prestigious-title-of-doctor-honoris-causa-of-university-politehnica-of-bucharest-romania/>

[President Obama planned conference on youth sports and concussions.](#)

Drs. Eliot Sorel and Dr. Satcher were invited to participate at the White House on Thursday, May 29, 2014. [SPARKING A DIALOGUE ON YOUTH SPORTS SAFETY... read more](#)

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Dear Colleagues - CAPA seeking supervisors.

Thanks to you CAPA (the China American Psychoanalytic Alliance) www.capachina.org has filled all its 180 courses. Each of our wonderful students has an individual supervisory session (30 weeks/year) for a long term psychotherapy patient. Times arranged at the supervisor's convenience. **127** supervisors are already signed up. **We need 24 more.**

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I hope you will join us. Please email me elise.snyder@yale.edu.

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Employment:

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