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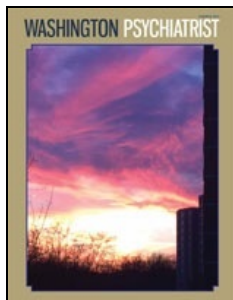
Welcome to the July 2015 edition of WPS e-News, a publication of the Washington Psychiatric Society. Our intent is to provide members with important news and notices in an easy to read format.

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>.

Get Involved in WPS:

One way to build professional relationships, learn new skills, and make a difference in your profession is to become involved in WPS. Opportunities range from writing articles, to assisting with events, being a mentor, serving on a task force, helping with elections, serving on a committee and more.

Tell us what your interests are: [CLICK HERE](#)

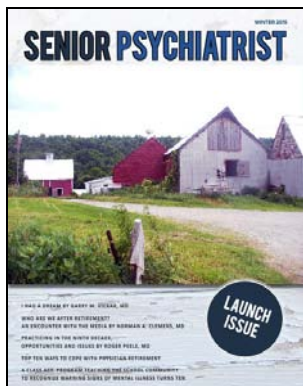


Washington Psychiatrist, your APA-award-winning quarterly electronic magazine, is seeking articles for the fall 2015 issue and beyond. Please email your contributions for consideration to gpperman@gmail.com.

Consult the Editorial Policy in a recent issue of WP at www.dcpsych.org for details about contributions to WP. Contact me anytime with questions.

Thank you.

Cordial best regards,
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The Senior Psychiatrist

Did you know that if you are a Life member of APA you qualify to join the Senior Psychiatrists, Inc.? This group was formerly called the APA Lifers, but is now a separate 501(c)3 organization and is an APA Allied Organization, with representation on the APA Assembly. The Senior Psychiatrists, Inc. have just launched a new digital magazine, [The Senior Psychiatrist](#). The group will be hosting two educational programs at APA in Toronto, as well as as membership reception and business meeting. Sound interesting?

Dues for your first year of membership are FREE (regularly \$50) and are good for one full year from the date you join. To find out more, go to <http://www.seniorpsych.org>.

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Helping Families in Mental Health Crisis Act Support Letter

Dear Members of the Assembly:

On June 7, the Executive Committee of the Board voted unanimously to authorize a strong letter in support of the bipartisan comprehensive mental health reform legislation known as the "Helping Families in Mental Health Crisis Act". The letter APA [CAN BE READ HERE](#). This legislation, also known as the Murphy-Johnson bill, was reintroduced in the U.S. House of Representatives last week, as you know. It builds on last year's bill, which was already widely considered the most pro-psychiatry legislation to be introduced in many years and which was unanimously supported by the Board in December 2014. The new version of the bill contains very helpful new language on parity enforcement and on increasing the psychiatric workforce, as well as other changes to some of the provisions in last year's bill.

The next steps in the comprehensive reform debate will include Reps. Murphy and Johnson working with the leadership of the House Energy & Commerce Committee to move the bill towards a Committee vote, while they also continue to collaborate with Senators Chris Murphy (D-CT) and Bill Cassidy, M.D. (R-LA) on the quickly developing Senate version. The APA will remain deeply engaged in lobbying both bodies as they work towards possible votes in Committee followed by House and possible Senate Floor votes in the coming months or beyond. Differences between any resulting House and Senate bills would then be reconciled in a subsequent House-Senate Conference Committee that would typically take us well into 2016, although Rep. Murphy will lead a full court press to accelerate consideration if possible.

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"Eliot SOREL MD, Senior Scholar in the Office of Clinical Practice Innovations and Clinical Professor of Global Health, Health Policy & Management and of Psychiatry & Behavioral Sciences at the George Washington University is the first elected Chair of the newly established APA Global Mental Health & Psychiatry Caucus.

The Caucus was proposed by the CLM members who participated in the WPA 2013 Bucharest Congress and approved by the APA Board of Trustees. The coauthors of this proposal included WPS/CLM leaders, Doctors Veronica

Slootsky, Rajeev Sharma, Mona Thapa, Milangel Concepcion, Urooj Saeed and Layan Zhang. The election results for the Chairmanship position of the APA GMHPC were as follows:

- David Baron, M.S.Ed, D.O: 21%
- **Eliot Sorel, MD : 79%**

Veronica Slootsky wrote an article that was published in the American Journal of Psychiatry Resident's Journal. The article discusses advancements in neuroimaging in Borderline Personality Disorder.

[For full article CLICK HERE](#)

"We are pleased to inform our WPS members that our CLM leaders, Doctors Layan Zhang and Miguel Alampay have been selected to be Chief Residents at their institutions, next year. CLM is proud of them both wish and them much success in the next year and beyond.

Eliot SOREL MD, CLM Founder & Chairman



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--Christine Cotter

Employment:

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