

HPS News Update

May 2007

A Word from the President

Change. Something we deal with in all aspects of our lives; something we help others deal with in our role as professionals. Positive changes can also prove to be stressful, even as they bring opportunity.

Our society is facing change as we move forward into a new administrative year. Ken Arfa is moving to the "Past President" position and we owe him our gratitude for all of his service and dedication. He has provided leadership and direction for the society and has been actively involved in the programs and administration of this past year. I'll personally be glad to have him still on the board as I move into the President's role.

As everyone knows by now, Natalie Lamont, our executive director, will be leaving this position. Natalie has been invaluable to our organization and will be greatly missed. She has worked tirelessly for years for the members, serving both the members and the board in many ways above and beyond what was expected. Her dedication has been unflagging and she has been our organizational memory and culture bearer. Our group won't be the same after this change.

As we look ahead to a new year for HPS, we face together changes in broader areas such as those that the legislative session will bring that impact our practices. We will also need to work continually as a professional organization to meet the needs of our members and fulfill our role in the larger structure of organized psychiatry and organized medicine at the local, state, and national levels.

I am grateful for the opportunity to work with the board and the members of HPS as we move together to make the most of the opportunities that are in front of us. I hope each of you as HPS members will work together and help to make our society a useful and productive part of our professional lives.

Andrew Harper, M.D.
President

Residents complete training ... where are they headed?

Dr. Angela Partida will open a private practice after graduation. The office location will be 2323 S. Shepherd Dr., Suite 1106 and the contact number for appointments/referrals is 713.528.0426.

Dr. Asif Chaudhry will be going to Pittsburgh, PA to pursue a one-year interventional pain fellowship in the Department of Anesthesia at The University of Pittsburgh Medical Center. He plans to return to Houston afterwards to start a multidisciplinary pain practice.

Dr. Alfredo Bellon will be doing a research fellowship in schizophrenia in Paris, France at the Université Paris Descartes, Physiopathologie des Maladies Psychiatriques. Hôpital Sainte Anne.

Dr. Jason G. Roof will be moving to Sacramento, California to continue his training at the U.C. Davis Medical Center in a forensic psychiatry fellowship. He may be contacted at the following address: Department of Psychiatry and Behavioral Sciences, 2230 Stockton Blvd., Sacramento, CA 95817, Tel#: (916) 734-0870, e-mail: jgroof@gmail.com

Dr. Andreea Andrei will join the faculty on July 1st, 2007 at the Baylor College of Medicine with her primary assignment being at the Methodist Hospital.

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Its not too late to
sponsor a walker
for the
NAMIWalk on
Saturday, May 5
Contact Natalie

HPS Mission

We strive to:

Promote and improve
patient care.

Educate our colleagues
and the public on mental
health issues.

Enhance community
mental health service
delivery.

Grand Rounds Schedules

Baylor / DeBakey Building, Room M112, 10:30—11:50 am

May 2: Russell F. Lim, M.D., M.Ed. / “The DSM-IV-TR Outline for Cultural Formulation: Clinical Applications”

May 9: Bruce L. Rollman, M.D., MPN / “The Impact of Depression and Its Treatment on Cardiovascular Disease”

May 16: Clinical Case Conferences Canceled

May 23: No GR—APA

May 30: Faculty Meeting

UT/MSI Auditorium, 11:00 am-12:00 pm

May 2: Eugene Boisaubin, M.D., / “Ethical Issues and Enhancement Technology: The Viagra Paradigm”

May 9: Charles P. Frances, Ph.D. / “GHB” The Rise and Fall of a Club Drug”

May 16: Faculty meeting

May 23: No GR—APA

May 30: Christopher Reist, M.D., MBA / “Personalized Medicine and Pharmacogenetics”

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Looking ahead to the 2007— 2008 term...

September 19, 2007: Thomas R. Kosten, MD

October 17, 2007: John M. Oldham, MD

November: No HPS meeting—TSPP conference in Houston

January 16, 2008: Lisa Lewis, PhD

February 20, 2008: To be announced

March 19, 2008: Carolyn Robinowitz, MD / APA President

April 16, 2008: Social event

OPPORTUNITIES & EVENTS

Moonlighting Opportunity for Psychiatric

Fellows/Residents. After expense sharing, net hourly income is between \$150 and \$200 per hour. Cash at time of service, private, self-pay, motivated, insightful, high functioning patients, no managed care. Totally flexible hours and days. E mail Margaret Black at drbob5311@yahoo.com.

The Mental Health Care Line at the Michael E.

DeBakey VA Medical Center is seeking academic psychiatrists to fill a number of positions in the areas of telepsychiatry, emergency psychiatry, trauma recovery, and substance dependence. We also wish to recruit a psychiatrist for our new community clinic in Conroe. Please contact Kimberly A. Arlinghaus, MD, at 713-794-7561 for further information.

Psychiatrist(s) needed, Full Time – up to \$200K, or Part Time \$800/day (great for semi-retirement) for geriatric practice. Positions open in multiple areas of town. Fax CV and availability to: Dr. Borrell @ 713-627-2536, or email to lborrellvc@hotmail.com. Visit us online at www.SeniorPsychiatry.com.

HOUSTON: ADULT PSYCHIATRY: The Mental Health Mental Retardation Authority of Harris County

(MHMRA) is one of the largest mental health centers in the United States. Demands have created the need for additional psychiatrists (part-time or full-time) to work at the Harris County Jail and one FTE Child Psychiatrist to work in a clinic setting. The Jail positions are to provide coverage for 7 days per week; 24-hours per day; day, night time and weekend shifts are available; the clinic position is a regular 8 to 5 PM, Monday through Friday. Salary plus a benefit package is offered. **Texas licensure is required.** These positions will be mostly medication management and psychiatric evaluations. Contact Robert Bennett, HR Generalist at: Robert.Bennett@mhmraharris.tx.org or phone (713) 970-3379. EOE

The NeuroPsychiatric Center

is seeking psychiatrists for evening, overnight and weekend shifts for our Psychiatric Emergency Services, Crisis Stabilization Unit, Mobile Crisis Outreach Team and Crisis Respite House. Generous shift differential included up to \$30. Applicants please contact Dr. Dr. Knox at 713 970 4625 or email Daryl.Knox@mhmraharris.org.