



ASSOCIATION OF PSYCHOLOGY TRAINING CLINICS (APTC)

Report to Association of Association of Psychology Postdoctoral and Internship Centers (APPIC)

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The Association of Psychology Training Clinics (APTC) represents 217 psychology training clinics providing practicum/pre-internship training to clinical, counseling, and school psychology doctoral students. Participating clinics are university-based facilities that provide behavioral/mental health services to the community. In these clinics, licensed faculty and doctoral level psychologists supervise services provided by graduate students. APTC has approximately 217 current member clinics (4 Emeriti). APTC conducts an annual meeting, maintains an active listserv where training and clinic management issues are discussed, publishes an e-newsletter, and provides an organizational website (www.aptc.org) with many resources for clinic directors.

The Mission of APTC is to: (a) promote high standards of professional psychology training and practice in psychology training clinics; (b) facilitate exchange of information and resources among psychology training clinics that provide pre-doctoral practicum training in professional psychology; and (c) interface with related professional groups and organizations to further the goals of APTC, including influencing the establishment of standards and guidelines on service delivery and training of future psychologists. Our expanded global mission is to extend our membership to include international training clinics from around the world.

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- APTC held elections in November/December 2023 for positions on the Executive Committee that had terms ending in March 2024. Elections were held for the position of President Elect (William Salton from Yeshiva University was elected), Secretary (Jennifer Hames from the University of Notre Dame was elected), Member at Large (Stephanie McWilliams from West Virginia University and Robyn Mehlenbeck from George Mason University were elected), and Early Career Member at Large (Kristy McRaney from the University of Southern Mississippi was elected).
- The 2024 Annual Conference was held March 14–17 in San Diego, CA. As of 2/2/24, there were 62 registrants for the conference. This year’s theme was “Resources and Resiliency.”
- The 2025 Annual Conference will be held in Nashville, TN. A theme has not yet been selected.
- APTC has continued to experience a large number of new Clinic Directors as a result of retirements and resignations. Since the start of the 2023-2024 training year (July 2023 through February 2024), there have been 31 new Clinic Directors who have joined APTC, many of whom were replacing former clinic directors.
- The Telehealth Working Group wrote a statement to APA supporting the use of telehealth and telesupervision in practicum training.
- Member Clinics have been increasingly frustrated with Pearson's choice to discontinue the training partner program which allowed training clinics to purchase materials for practicum training at a discounted rate. Establishing reliable communication with Pearson has been difficult; however, Jordan Wright has been in contact with Pearson and announced to our Listserv in December 2023 that Pearson has agreed to revamp the TPP program and roll out the new program in July 2024. The new program will require two things: 1) students using the TPP must be enrolled in a concurrent university-based pre-licensure course (practicum, etc.); and 2) sites must attest that only students will be using TPP materials.
- APTC is working on a re-design of our website, with plans of launching our new website during Summer 2024.

Respectfully Submitted,



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