



Liaison Report: Fall 2024

Celebrating the National Register's 50th Anniversary (1974-2024)

We are exceptionally proud to be celebrating our 50th Anniversary year. Throughout the year we will be highlighting current and former members, important dates in the National Register's history, and our relationships with other organizations within psychology. To further commemorate this occasion, we are matching up to \$50,000 in donations to our Internship Travel Scholarship Fund. For more information, see <https://www.nationalregister.org/50th-anniversary/>.

National Register/American Psychological Foundation Internship Travel Scholarship

The 2024 Internship Travel Scholarship cycle was another major success. Following a comprehensive review of more than 600 applicants, we selected 80 incoming interns and awarded \$1,000 scholarships to each to help ease the financial burden associated with relocation to their selected internship site.

We are proud of what we have accomplished to date, but we are also aware that this program impacted a fraction of the estimated 2,300 graduate students who will need to move for internship each year. Our fervent wish is to attract sufficient donations to fund more scholarships on a recurring basis, but to do that we will need to raise at least \$100,000 a year. Making graduate education more affordable and accessible is key to the profession's future. Please consider a much-needed donation to our fund, which can be made at <https://www.nationalregister.org/donate/>.

Psychology Connect

The National Register recently launched *Psychology Connect*, a referral tool that aims to address the extreme shortage of mental health resources. Psychology Connect is a free referral database that connects health service psychologists across the country who are looking to refer a patient. We have incorporated PSYPACT so we can accommodate interstate practice. Feedback from users has shown this to be a much more effective method of seeking patient services than the traditional reliance on state associations or listservs because we have a nationwide audience. Visit <https://Connect.NationalRegister.org> to start making or accepting referrals.

Opportunities for Doctoral Students and Postdocs

The National Register's Associate Program continues to grow. This program is free for eligible doctoral students, interns, and postdoctoral trainees to begin their credentialing in health service psychology. The sign-up link is <https://www.nationalregister.org/hsp-credential/doctoral-students-trainees/>.

After joining the Associate Program, doctoral students, interns, and postdoctoral trainees have complimentary access to a variety of benefits including the National Register's Associate Certificate Program. The Associate Certificate Program offers live, webinar-based training experiences that aim to provide knowledge about a specific area of clinical practice (e.g., clinical suicidology, integrated care).

New Director of Clinical Education

We are very happy to announce the selection of Jason Herndon, PhD, as the National Register's first Director of Clinical Education. Jason is responsible for shaping the direction of our clinical education offerings and procuring talented mental health providers to present on evidence-based topics.

Journal of Health Service Psychology

We publish clinically relevant continuing education opportunities in the peer-reviewed *Journal of Health Service Psychology* under the leadership of Editor-in-Chief Dr. Kate Noonan of the University of North Carolina-Wilmington. Dr. Noonan and our editorial team maintain fidelity to our complex clinical problem-solving model, with an expanded focus on the treatment needs of underrepresented communities. We always seek quality submissions using our unique style. Please check out the journal and our submissions guidelines at <https://www.nationalregister.org/jhsp-info/manuscript-submission/>.

Pragmatic Case Studies in Psychotherapy

In addition to *JHSP*, we publish *Pragmatic Case Studies in Psychotherapy*, a peer-reviewed, open-access journal and database led by the longtime editor, Dr. Daniel Fishman. It provides innovative, quantitative and qualitative knowledge about psychotherapy process and outcome. All issues are available here: <https://pcsp.nationalregister.org/index.php/pcsp>.

Telepsychology Competencies Credential

We collaborated with our partners at The Trust to create the Telepsychology Competencies Credential (TCC), which assists psychologists in the transition to a telepsychology environment. This series contains approximately 50 hours of highly pertinent clinical and risk-management content. We are preparing to launch version 2.0 of the TCC with new training modules. More information on the TCC can be found at <https://thetrusttelepsychology.learnupon.com/store>.

National Practice Conference

The 2024 National Practice Conference is scheduled for November 8-10 in Washington, DC. Presented in collaboration with our partners at The Trust, the conference is purely practitioner-focused, highlighting complex clinical decision making and risk management strategies. Information and registration will soon be open at www.nationalpracticeconference.org.

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