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New York City

AGLP Organizing for the APA-IPS Meeting in New York October 3-6, 2019

Please join AGLP: The Association of LGBTQ Psychiatrists (www.aglp.org) at this year's IPS, the APA's Fall meeting in New York City. We will be organizing a plethora of LGBTQ events! Forward this newsletter to colleagues who might be interested in attending, to listserves, or other social media outlets.

Registration: Register now to get the lowest rate.

<https://www.psychiatry.org/psychiatrists/meetings/ips-the-mental-health-services-conference/registration/registration-rates>

Preliminary schedule: LGBTQ Sessions

Thursday, October 3

10:00am - 11:30am

In the Shadow of History: The LGBTQ (Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, Transgender, Queer) Psychiatric Experience.

HOWARD RUBIN, MD, ADRIANA DE JULIO, MD, HARSHIT SHARMA, AMILCAR TIRADO, MD, SAUL LEVIN, MD

Friday, October 4

1:00pm - 2:30pm

The Role of Mental Health in Getting to Zero New HIV infections: The Science, Psychosocial Issues, and Disparities

KENNETH ASHLEY, MD, DAENA PETERSEN, MD, MARSHALL FORSTEIN, MD, CARMEN CASASNOVAS, MD

1:00pm - 4:00pm

Media Session: Conversion Therapy: Boy Erased, Can it Alter Sexual Orientation Without Causing Harm? (Movie shown first, 1 hour 54 minutes)

JOSE VITO, MD, AMIR AHUJA, MD, DANIEL SAFIN, MD, SHERVIN SHADANLOO, MD

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Erick Meléndez, M.D.

Hello! It is so nice to be able to write to you and welcome to this new edition of the AGLP newsletter. My name is Erick Melendez and I am a 4th year resident in New York City. I am originally from El Salvador and moved to the US after graduating medical school back home.

It wasn't long ago when I found out about the existence of AGLP. Until then, I had been feeling somehow isolated as the only queer resident in my year, with just a few LGBT friends and co-workers in my hospital. My friend, who has been one of my mentors during residency, introduced it to me and I still remember the feeling of excitement when I attended my first meeting. I soon wanted to contribute and be an active member of the association.

Applying for the position of editor for the newsletter was an easy choice; I like to communicate with others, and it reminded me of the previous editing work I have done for other associations in the past. It is a pleasure for me to be part of it and I hope only to improve the impressive effort the previous editors have done before.

My goal is for the newsletter to become an open space in which we can all share our thoughts and opinions; and also, a tool for communicating among each other. AGLP is moving onward in many aspects and what better way to be in touch of its ongoing progress and evolution.

Interestingly, you'll find in this edition columns that reflect on how the association has changed through the years (in the words of our current President Howard Rubin, MD) along with what are the new perspectives and goals for the future (in articles from President-elect Amir Ahuja MD, Vice-President elect Pratik Bahekar MD and the Editor-in-Chief of the Journal of Gay and Lesbian Mental Health, Chris McIntosh, MD).

Of course, not only we want to keep you updated on our endeavors; we want to know from all of our members. I have been already communicating with other psychiatrists who are sharing the most amazing stories; you'll be hearing from them too soon.

I am open to any suggestions, ideas, opinions (whether positive or negatives) that you want to share, my e-mail is AGLPeditors@aglp.org and I am always checking it.

Hope to see you all at the APA IPS 2019 in New York!



AGLP President Howard Rubin, M.D., presenting the 2019 AGLP Awards at the San Francisco Center for Psychoanalysis, this year recognizing: **Bob Cabaj, M.D.**, with the James Paulsen Award, California Representative **Mark Leno**, with the Distinguished Service Award, **Bay Area Physicians for Human Rights (BAPHR)** with the Stuart Nichols Award, and **Kate Kendall, Esq.**, with the AGLP Barbara Gittings Award. More photos from APA San Francisco appear on page 11.

President's Column

Howard Rubin, M.D.

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Howard Rubin, M.D.

Reflections on APA meeting

The plasticity of time is a constant source of wonder —how it can expand and contract often within the span of a single hour. As I write this column, I am thinking about my relationship to the time that has elapsed since the annual APA conference in San Francisco and how those few months seem like years!

For those of you who weren't there, it was a busy productive time from the opening night meet-up at the hotel bar through its ending. I recall seeing Rob Delgado, MD, who has been a part of my professional life since the summer of 1990, when he was my attending at the VA medical center in Manhattan and unit chief on its inpatient psychiatric teaching ward. In subsequent years, long after I finished residency and moved to California, his smile and warm presence at AGLP meetings remains an important landmark for me.

Through the years, I have attended many AGLP board meetings, but one thing that was notable about this one was watching a river of people outside of the window of the Intercontinental Hotel as they ran, walked and sashayed down Howard Street for the annual Bay to Breakers Run in various states of dress and undress. Peering down on them from a few floors up it felt like watching time itself stream by in all its glorious, messy impermanence.

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The annual membership meeting was another place where I connected with old friends as we reviewed the annual state of our AGLP union. One peculiar ritual I wait for every year is the inevitable break in our meeting for the opening and closing of the APA LGBT caucus meeting.

Our awards ceremony was another highlight. Its location at the San Francisco Center for Psychoanalysis felt especially empowering. I thought to myself, “you’ve come a long way baby!” How remarkable for a LGBTQ psychiatric organization to be welcomed into the holy of holies—the sacred space of a psychoanalytic institute, without a second thought. How far our profession has come from the days when analysts were in the vanguard of pathologizing our lives and trying cure and exclude us.

In prior years, I haven't gone to the APA Foundation's GALA, but to honor the 175th anniversary of the APA, my husband Gene and I attended the reception at San Francisco's grand city hall, which I affectionally call the Duomo. Any excuse to wear my tuxedo especially when I don't have to schlep it on an airplane is welcome! Thanks to Gene for his suggestion to organize an AGLP group photograph with Saul Levin, MD at the bust of Harvey Milk. It was a powerful moment, a celebration, and an affirmation of the power of his legacy— all his work for LGBTQ rights was not in vain.

Throughout the conference AGLP organized several cultural outings, including a docent tour of “Show Me as I Want to Be Seen,” which tackled the question of (mostly queer) representation in art, using the work of the lesbian Jewish couple and artistic collaborators, Claude Cahun and Marcel Moore, as a starting point. The week ended with a small AGLP group attending the San Francisco Ballet School's annual performance. It was great to bask in the promise a new generation of dancers coming into their own.

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Amir Ahuja, M.D.

President Elect's Column Amir Ahuja, M.D.

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This organization has done amazing work in its many years of existence. As a psychiatrist, this group of people shows me that our profession has a commitment to diversity and inclusion. As a member of the LGBTQ community, it shows me that we have a place at the table in the field of mental health. Both of these aspects make AGLP invaluable.

As your President-Elect, it thrills me that you have placed your confidence in me to steward AGLP ever forward. In this column, I would like to share some of my ideas about the future of our beloved organization.

First, I believe AGLP would benefit from better public relations. This means we need to increase brand awareness, and I have several ideas about accomplishing this, both in the realms of social media and traditional media. The goal for this would be to increase our profile in the psychiatric community to gain members, and also to increase our profile as LGBTQ Mental Health experts to the community at large. This would elevate our standing and make sure we are the ones people "go-to" when they need our expertise.

Second, we are making many efforts to tighten our educational relationship with the APA. This will align both of our goals and make disseminating our expertise much easier. It will also allow us to have greater influence and audiences at the APA conferences. As part of this effort, the APA has been helping us develop more publicity around our sessions.

Finally, this will all lead to us focusing on our efforts of Advocacy and Expertise as a think-tank. This will be aided by more efforts in Grant applications and in publicizing our work more broadly. Ultimately, this would lead to us having more influence and gaining more money and members. I would be thrilled to make this community as big as possible, and to ensure its future for many years to come.



Pratik Bahekar, M.D.

Vice-President's Column Pratik Bahekar, M.D.

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Health disparities among sexual and gender minorities (SGM) are not limited to mental health, substance use, and discrimination. In clinical practice, the health care provider's mandate often extends to social interventions to promote the general wellbeing of the patient.

In the 2015 National Center for Transgender Equality survey, about 24% of respondents had to teach medical providers about transgender care, while about 23% avoided seeking the health care they needed because of fear of mistreatment. Also, one-third (31%) of the survey respondents voiced that none of their healthcare providers were aware of their transgender status.

The introduction of SGM topics into medical schools has shown to improve the quality of care. Therefore, the implementation of SGM-related health topics into medical school and residency education curriculums is critical to lowering SGM health disparities. Although an SGM curriculum exists, it needs uniform and universal incorporation into formal didactics.

The Association of LGBTQ+ Psychiatrists (AGLP) is committed to promoting understanding of health disparities & implementation of SGM topics into medical education. In recent years, AGLP partnered with "Group for Advancement of Psychiatry" to create a series of modules to teach psychiatry residents about caring for lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender, and intersex patients.

AGLP's strength lies in its members. There are many challenges, but we should be encouraged by the progress made thus far. AGLP's continued engagement is among the many reasons everyone should consider associating with AGLP.



Chris McIntosh, M.D.

Journal of Gay and Lesbian Mental Health

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One of the strengths of our organization as AGLP as an advocacy group is that we have a tremendous body of knowledge in our membership, which consists of psychiatrists of broad clinical and life experience, many of whom also contribute to the body of scientific knowledge with their important research activities. Research

is also reflected in AGLP's sponsorship as a learned society of The Journal of Gay and Lesbian Mental Health. The Journal now publishes more original research than ever before. This year, we have received so many high-quality manuscripts we have had to approve a page overage with the publisher. You no doubt noted the additional heft in issue 23(2) when it arrived in your mailbox!

While this influx has been a wonderful thing, it also presents a challenge. We need more reviewers, particularly those who are well versed in reviewing scientific studies from a statistical perspective. If you would like to do peer review for JGLMH, please contact me at editors@aglp.org. Peer reviewers who we start to rely on because of their good work will be asked to formally join the JGLMH Editorial Board.

We would like to thank Associate Editor Marc Manseau for his contribution to the new editorial team since May of 2018. Marc has been a great help to us but has decided to move on to other projects and we wish him well. Starting this summer, we welcome new Associate Editor Mark Bradley, and we will also be joined by Neir Eshel sometime in the fall. Associate Editors help JGLMH manage the peer review process, soliciting reviewers for manuscripts, and evaluating the author's response to the peer review before recommending publication or rejection.

Please look for the latest issue of JGLMH 23(3) soon in your mailboxes. My editorial is entitled: Denial of Care is Denial of Evidence and looks at the latest evidence-lacking policy decision of the Trump Administration. Please continue to support this great work by renewing your AGLP membership!



IPS New York 2019 Events of Interest

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1:00pm - 4:00pm

Media Session: Only Connect: The Enduring Legacy of EM Forster's Howard's End (Movie shown first, 2 hours 22 min)

HOWARD RUBIN, M.D., ROBERT KERTZNER, M.D.

*Come see the movie version of the novel that the Broadway play The Inheritance is based on.***Saturday, October 5**

9:00am - 1:00pm

AGLP Annual Fall Planning meeting*Open to all psychiatrists who are interested in getting involved in AGLP activities.***Sunday, October 6**

10:00am - 11:30am

Update on Mental Health Issues in LGBTQ Youth

KENN ASHLEY, MD, GABRIELLE SHAPIRO, MD, TIMOTHY VAN DEUSEN, MD, MICHAEL INGRAM, MD, ALI HAIDAR, MD

Other IPS sessions of interest:**Thursday, October 3**

8:00am - 9:30am

Patient Engagement and Facilitating Change in Patient Centered Care: Integrating Motivational Interviewing and Shared Decision Making

BRIAN HURLEY, MD

8:00am - 5:00pm

Buprenorphine and Office-Based Treatment of Opioid Use Disorder

PETROS LEVONIS, MD

10:00am - 11:30am

Doctors' Mental Health and Well-Being

DINESH BHUGRA, MD

Friday, October 4

8:00am - 9:30am

Psychiatrist Well-Being & Burnout Town Hall 3.0: Minority & Diverse Psychiatrists

SAUL LEVIN, MD

8:00am - 9:30am

Critical Issues in the Assessment and Treatment of Suicidal Physicians

MICHAEL MYERS, MD

10:00am - 11:30am

Buprenorphine Update and Evolving Standards of care

PETROS LEVONIS, MD

10:00am - 11:30am

Supporting Medical Directors in Behavioral Health Clinics

SAUL LEVIN, MD

1:30pm - 2:30pm

Supporting ECPs and RFMs in Their Careers and Beyond: Conversation with the APA CEO and Medical Director Saul Levin, MD**Saturday, October 5**

10:00am - 11:30am

Designer Drugs of Abuse: History, Clinical Assessment, and Psychiatric Management

BRIAN HURLEY, MD

Social Events

AGLP is organizing many social events during the conference. The main events include a Special Surprise Party, and informal drinks at the hotel. We will organize a few no host lunches as well. Friday night, October 4, we will have an outing to a preview of Part One of the outstanding new queer play, *The Inheritance* by Matthew Lopez. Buy tickets at <https://theinheritanceplay.com>

More information will be available closer to the conference at www.aglp.org.

Cultural Events

There are many LGBTQ activities of interest.

Museums

Some Stonewall 50 exhibits will still be on. These include

- 1) *Nobody Promised You Tomorrow*: Art 50 Years After Stonewall at the Brooklyn Museum <https://www.brooklynmuseum.org/exhibitions/stonewall> (Pierre Cardin: Future Fashion is also at Brooklyn Museum, advanced timed tickets recommended)
- 2) Violet Holdings: LGBTQ+ Highlights from the N.Y.U. Special Collections (at Bobst Library) <https://www.nyu.edu/about/university-initiatives/nyu-celebrates-stonewall-at-50/events/special-exhibits.html> <https://www.nytimes.com/2019/05/30/arts/design/stonewall-exhibitions-review.html> (scroll to the 2nd and 4th parts for reviews of the NYU and Brooklyn Exhibits).
- 3) *Life and Times of Alvin Baltrop*, an exhibit of the gay African American photographer at the Bronx Museum <http://m.bronxmuseum.org/exhibitions/the-life-and-times-of-alvin-baltrop>
- 4) *Implicit Tensions: Mapplethorpe Now*, Guggenheim Museum. Mapplethorpe's influence on LGBTQ (particularly African American) contemporary photographers. <https://www.guggenheim.org/exhibition/mapplethorpe>

New Museum, an exhibit by a lesbian British African artist Lubaina Himid <https://www.newmuseum.org/exhibitions/view/lubaina-himid-work-from-underneath>

Morgan Library

- 1) *Drawing the Curtain*: Maurice Sendak's Designs for Opera and Ballet
- 2) *John Singer Sargent: Portraits in Charcoal*

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Gene Nakajima, M.D.

Play about John Fryer, MD opens in October in Los Angeles

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For those of you who missed it during last year's APA annual meeting in New York, Ain Gordon's play "217 Boxes of Dr. Henry Anonymous" is being revived in Los Angeles. AGLP is organizing a group outing to see the play on Saturday, October 12th at the Freud Theater at the Center for the Art of Performance at UCLA:

https://cap.ucla.edu/calendar/details/217_boxes_of_dr_henry_anonymous3

This play recounts the story of a gay psychiatrist whose activism made a profound and lasting impact on LGBTQ civil rights. Disguised in a mask and using a voice modulator, John E. Fryer, MD, testified as Dr. Henry Anonymous on a panel about homosexuality at the 1972 Annual Meeting of the American Psychiatric Association. That event played a crucial role in moving the APA to delist same-sex orientation as a mental illness the following year. Here is an excellent review in the NY Times

<https://www.nytimes.com/2018/05/06/theater/review-217-boxes-of-dr-henry-anonymous.html>

There will be a light lunch with Lebanese-Armenian food from Sunnin (with vegetarian, vegan and gluten-free options) from 12:30 to 2:15 pm at the home of Cage Hall, MD, which is about a mile to the Freud Playhouse on the UCLA campus. Cage's address and parking information and other details will be sent after you RSVP at mccajor@earthlink.net. The play begins at 3 pm.

Attendees are responsible for purchasing their own tickets. Please feel free to forward this invitation to other LGBTQ psychiatrists who might be interested.

Attendees may also be interested in going to a retrospective exhibit at the nearby Hammer Museum before lunch, which will be showing the work of contemporary gay painter Lari Pittman (b 1952) that opens at 11AM (more information <https://hammer.ucla.edu/exhibitions/2019/lari-pittman-declaration-of-independence/>)

Finally, the musical *Light in the Piazza* (book by gay playwright Craig Lucas) starring opera diva Renee Fleming, will be performed by LA opera in the evening. Please also email Cage if you are can't make it but would be interested in further AGLP events in Southern California.

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The Inheritance at IPS in New York Friday, October 4, 2019

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For those of you who will be attending the IPS meeting in New York or who live in the New York Metropolitan Area, I want to draw your attention to a wonderful play that will be in previews in early October this year. The

Inheritance by Matthew Lopez is an ambitious two-part play that is *Angels in America Meets Howard's End*.

Lopez transforms the plot and characters of the EM Forster novel into the story of a group of gay men living in New York City during the AIDS epidemic. He explores the meaning of the cultural and literal inheritance of values, desires, and property for these men. EM Forster himself has role in the play as a teacher of creative writing. See more of my comments about the play in the January 2019 AGLP Newsletter:

<http://www.aglp.org/pages/AGLPNewsletterArchive.php>

I am organizing an AGLP outing to a preview performance of Part One of the play on Friday night October 4th. You must buy your own tickets for the play. They are selling out so buy soon at

<https://www.telecharge.com/Broadway/The-Inheritance-Part-1/Overview>

In preparation for the play, I have arranged for APA to screen the Merchant Ivory film version of *Howard's End* as a media session at this year's IPS. Please join Bob Kertzner and I for a discussion of the film.

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Theater

Off Broadway transfer to Broadway: *Slave Play* by gay African American playwright Jeremy Harris <https://www.nytimes.com/2018/12/09/theater/slave-play-review-jeremy-o-harris.html>;

Bella Bella, a new play written and starring Harvey Fierstein as Bella Abzug, the prominent feminist Representative <https://www.manhattantheatreclub.com/2019-20-season/bella-bella/>;

The New Englanders, a play about two gay dads and their interracial daughter by African American playwright Jeff Augustin. <https://www.broadwayworld.com/article/Javier-Munoz-and-More-Lead-MTCs-THE-NEW-ENGLANDERS-20190620>

Rose Tattoo by Tennessee Williams starring Marisa Tomei. <https://www.roundabouttheatre.org/get-tickets/2019-2020-season/the-rose-tattoo/>

Dance

Fall for dance features multiple dance companies for \$15. Sells out almost immediately. Ticket sales begin on September 8th at 11am EST. www.nycity-center.org/About/2019-2020-season/;

Lodging

You can book through the APA Annual meeting website. \$329/night at Sheraton New York Times Square

Please contact us if you would like to organize LGBTQ+ events at the IPS or have any suggestions for other meetings.

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SAVE THE DATES FOR APA'S ANNUAL MEETING IN PHILADELPHIA, APRIL 25-29, 2020. Submission deadline Sept 5, 2019. CONTACT PRATIK BAKEKAR. PBahekar@aglp.org

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Listings of Upcoming Subspecialty Meetings of Interests to Members

Many AGLP-ers are members of other organizations such as the ones listed here. As a way to increase the visibility and effectiveness of AGLP, members that participate in other organizations are encouraged to hold gatherings at these meetings to increase networking potentials. In the past these have ranged from a hosted get-together at a member's home to more formal presentations combining the issues central to AGLP and the primary meeting issue. If you are interested in improving communications between the subspecialties and AGLP, contact our Executive Director, Roy Harker, CAE, for more details and suggestions.

American Academy of Psychiatry and the Law (AAPL)
<http://www.aapl.org/>

American Academy of Psychoanalysis and Dynamic Psychiatry
<http://www.aapdp.org/>

American Association for Emergency Psychiatry
<https://www.emergencypsychiatry.org/>

American Association for Geriatric Psychiatry (AAGP)
<http://www.aagppa.org/>

American Association of Directors of Psychiatric Residency Training (AADPRT)
<http://www.aadprt.org/>

American College of Psychiatrists
<http://www.acpsych.org/>

American Psychiatric Association (APA)
<http://www.psych.org/>

2019 IPS: The Mental Health Services Conference
 New York, NY • Oct 3-6

2020 APA Annual Meeting • Philadelphia, PA • April 25-29

2021 APA Annual Meeting • Los Angeles, CA • May 1-5

Association of Women Psychiatrists
<http://www.associationofwomenpsychiatrists.com/index.php>
 Meetings have been in conjunction with the Annual APA Convention

Black Psychiatrists of America (BPA)
<http://www.blackpsych.org/>

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One of my mom's favorite sayings was "Time marches on" and moms are always right. Let's march to beat our different drummers as we converge on New York for the 2019 APA IPS Meeting. October doesn't seem that far off!

With gratitude for all the work you do and for your continuing support of AGLP.
 Howard Rubin, M.D.

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JGLMH available online FREE to AGLP Members



The *Journal of Gay and Lesbian Mental Health*, the official journal of AGLP, is now available for viewing online free to all AGLP Members. The content is searchable with search words and phrases, and you can even download and print particular articles if you like.

The production editors at Taylor & Francis have developed a new and streamlined way to access all of the content for articles published in the *Journal of Gay and Lesbian Mental Health*. AGLP members with valid and

current memberships can now access the Journal directly through the AGLP website free of charge as a member benefit. Go to www.aglp.org, click on the Members Area link (upper right hand of the screen) and once you are logged in, a box will appear on the right side of the blue banner to access the content.

Online help is available for any problems you may encounter. We hope that this new method will provide greater ease and dependability to the entire process.

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Update: Denial-of-Care Rule delayed until at least November 22

Roy Harker, C.A.E., Executive Director

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There is great news! The Lambda Legal motion for a preliminary injunction, of which AGLP is listed as a plaintiff, was so strong that it successfully pressured the government into delaying the effective date of the Denial-of-Care Rule until at least November 22.

When the government requested that Lambda Legal's motion for preliminary injunction be withdrawn because the government volunteered not to "enforce" the Rule until the end of October, or even the end of November, the court opposed the government's request and demanded instead that the "effective date" of the Rule be delayed. They were concerned about the impact of an empty and vague promise of non-enforcement on the plaintiffs and their patients. The Court outright denied the government's request AND reprimanded the government for evading the Court's scheduling order for briefing on the motion for preliminary injunction. Courts around the country scolded the government in their orders, warning the government that they needed to do better than promise non-enforcement, and that they needed to respond to plaintiffs' motions for preliminary injunction. With angry courts requiring the government literally to file their responses to motions for preliminary injunction overnight, the government knew that it had to cut a good deal.

The Deal: The motion for preliminary injunction is being held in abeyance so that it can be renewed it at any time if necessary. The court will hear and rule on motions for summary judgment prior to November 22 so that if the case is won, the Rule will be enjoined from taking effect even on that date. This is a big win because the strength of this preliminary injunction motion bought four more months without the Rule taking effect.

There is more to come soon as we jump straight into discovery deadlines this month. AGLP will be formulating a declaration in connection with summary judgment motions in the weeks ahead.

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AGLP Annual Membership Meeting Minutes

May 19, 2019, 1:00pm
San Francisco, California

Sarah Noble, M.D., Secretary

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I. APA 2019

- a. Amazing list of events
 - i. Awards reception
 - ii. Hospitality Suite
 - iii. A number of wonderful workshops and symposia
- b. Thank you to our local arrangements committee: John Kruse, Gene Nakajima, Michael Politis, Howard Rubin, Randy Solomon, Andy Tompkins
- c. Thank you for the sponsors of the Awards reception PRMS and BAPHR

II. Don't forget to help with Booth Staffing!!!!

- a. It's a great place to meet people
- b. It's also a great place to talk to people about AGLP and LGBTQ topics

III. Election The following were elected by the majority of the membership

- a. President Elect - Amir Ahuja
- b. Vice-President - Pratik Bahekar
- c. Treasurer - Mark Messih
- d. Secretary - Sarah Noble

IV. Upcoming meetings

- a. Come to IPS in NY
 - i. We have sessions that have been accepted
 - ii. 2020 is canceled
- b. Annual in Philadelphia
 - i. Anyone interested in contributing symposia or workshops? They will be due in Sept so contact Pratik or Amir.

V. 40•400•1 Member Campaign

- a. 406 members as of today, wahoo!
- b. Ask more people to join
- c. Free for medical students and \$60 for residents

VI. Medical Student Travel Fund (John O'Donnell Fund)

- a. Great opportunity for medical students to get involved with the organization
- b. We would like to expand the fund to include Residents and fellows because the fund has grown to \$7500 (get about \$800 a year in donations)
- c. Currently restricted to medical students due to the way it is defined and it only covers travel

- d. Currently tied to booth time and attendance at the meeting but also looking at having it tied to a student rep
- e. Now that we have this large number of medical students, do we have concerns that a large number of them will access these funds?
- f. Make it a special thing that they need to write something about an maybe be something competitive
- g. Motion: Scholarship will be up to \$500 and include any expenses related to travel (air fare, cab, housing) was made and seconded
- h. Motion: to include residents and fellows made and approved by the membership

VII. Treasurer's report

- a. Doing well and don't need to increase the dues schedule
- b. Have a small endowment

VIII. Newsletter

- a. For last two years haven't had a newsletter editor
- b. Have a few folks who have expressed interest

IX. Social Media

- a. Facebook
 - i. AGLP has a FB page although Jack Drescher publishes the majority of the content
 - ii. Please join the group, post to the group
- b. Instagram
 - i. Join the Instagram page
- c. Should we hire someone to increase our social media presence?

X. Journal Report- Chris MacIntosh

- a. Thank you to Phil Bialer for his years of help
- b. Vivek Batta continuing on as associate editor
- c. Marc Manseau finishing so looking for someone to help with associate editor
- d. Also need more peer reviewers
- e. Editors@aglp.org
- f. Recently had poor relationship with our publishers and they continue to be very disorganized, but they did finally put in our application to Medline- expect results Jan 2020
- g. Considered moving to a new publisher but it would delay the medline application
- h. 37k article downloads
- i. If you're writing articles cite the journal and that will increase our visibility

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XI. Denial of Care with Lambda Legal

- a. We've signed on to be plaintiffs on case with Lambda legal
- b. David Scasta helped by reading through and giving us feedback on the contract
- c. Pratik suggested that it might help to have a liaison on the psychiatry and the law council
 - i. Get in touch with the chairmen and let them know the things that we would be interested in getting discussed
 - ii. They generally don't like to discuss political issues so need to make sure it's mental health focused

XII. Proposal to obtain board insurance to protect against liability in process

XIII. AGLP Assembly Rep-Margie Sved

- a. Tasked with being in charge with the workshop for ACROSS because two of the psychodynamic groups have been very strong in their reaction to President Trump saying gender is determined at birth and is not changeable
- b. One of the most noticeable thing is increasing LGBTQ presence in the Assembly

XIV. Women's committee

- a. Changed the dinner to women, nonbinary, queer, and trans and that felt more inclusive and diverse so will continue that as we move forward

XV. Education Committee

- a. A number of international conventions coming up
- b. APA 2020 deadline is Sept- if you're interested in presenting contact Gene Nakajima or Amir Ahuja

XVI. New Business

- a. David Scasta will be giving a Presidential talk on Tuesday 8am about the dark history of Psychiatry
- b. Mark Messih notes that a new LGBT course will be coming up on APA website- will send out a link to membership
- c. Division of Health Equity on APA has info on LGBT mental health that can be handed out to patients, family members, etc...
- d. Maybe on the AGLP website we can have a pulldown for patient resources, provider resources

XVII. Meeting Adjourned

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Thanks to Kevin Donnelly-Boylan, M.D., and Jack Drescher, M.D., for-staffing our booth at the APA meeting for the opening reception.



APA CEO Saul Levin, M.D., with AGLP members at the APA's Foundation Gala honoring APA's 175th anniversary, gathering around the bust of Harvey Milk.



APA CEO Saul Levin, M.D., with AGLP President Howard Rubin, M.D., presenting the 2019 John Fryer Award to Shannon Minter, Esq.



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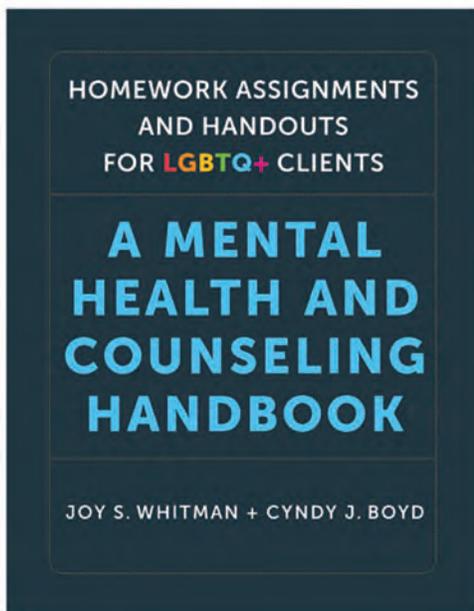
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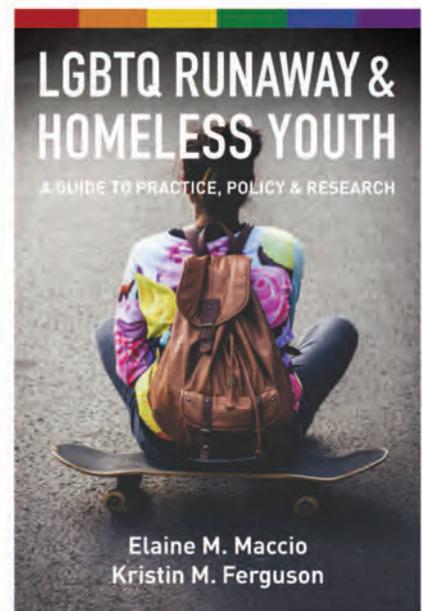
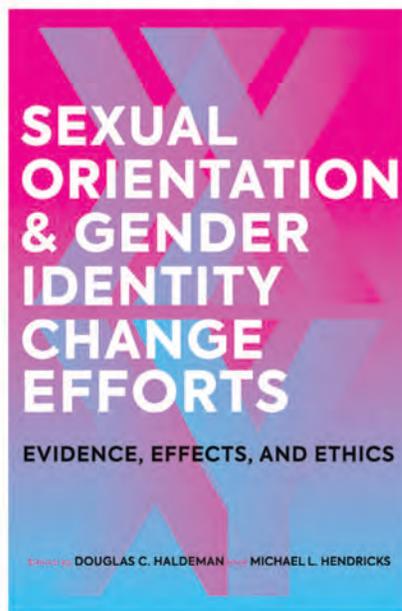
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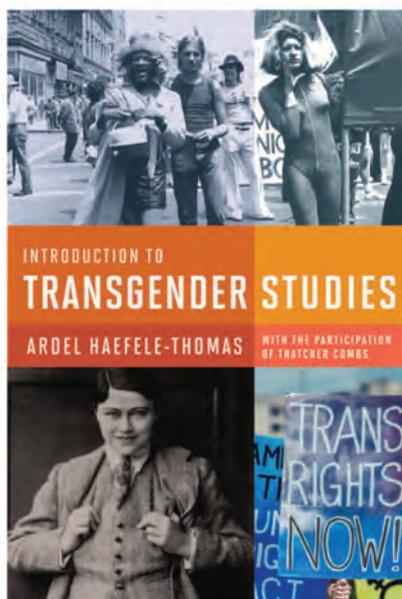
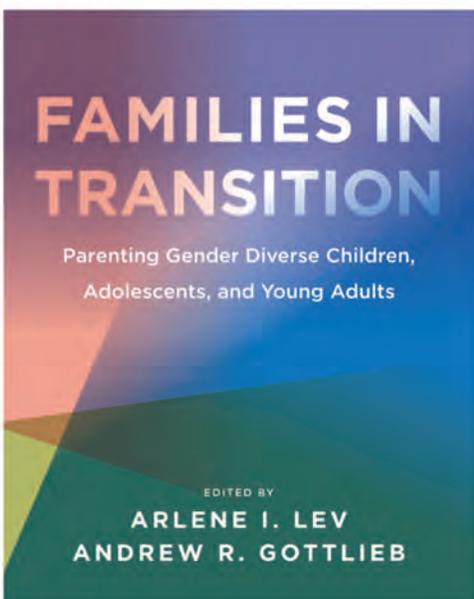
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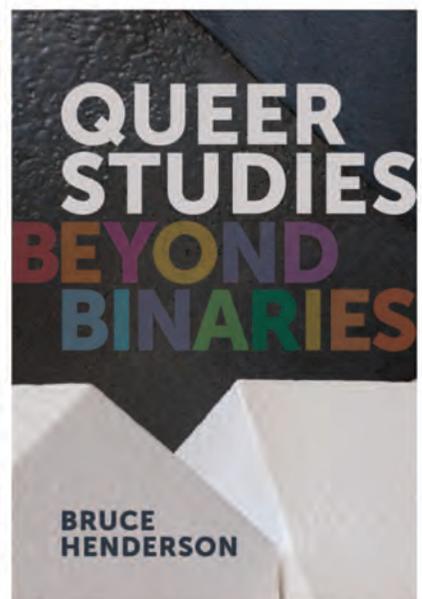
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