

**IAAP E-News
(Division 17)
Division of Professional Practice**

- Division President, Professor James Bray attended the first **Southeast Asia Regional Conference of Psychology held in Hanoi, Vietnam** (November 29-December 1, 2017). The conference was co-sponsored by the IAAP, Australian Psychological Society and others, with over 35 countries from around the world represented at the conference. Dr. Janel Gauthier, IAAP President, opened the conference on *Human Well-being and Sustainable Development*. James provided a keynote address on *Advances in Family Psychology and Therapy* and Dr. Judy Kuriansky discussed applications of psychology in her work at the United Nations on behalf of the IAAP. Professional psychology is growing rapidly in Southeast Asia and there are large unmet needs for professional practice, mental health services and training in the region. Our Division plans to assist in providing support to psychology professionals in the region.



- Prior to the SAR Conference our President was also invited to present a training program on screening, brief intervention and referral to treatment (SBIRT) for substance use problems at the Chiang Mai University Medical School in Thailand. Psychologists, physicians, medical residents and medical students attended the training to learn the latest assessment and referral skills. Substance abuse is a growing problem in this region and psychologists and medical professionals were eager to learn new skills for screening and appropriate interventions.
- **Division 17 Executive Committee:**
 - **Professor Bray's** term as President of our Division will conclude at ICAP in Montreal (June, 2018). **Dr. Robyn Vines** (Australia) will succeed him as Division President (2018-2022), having held the post of President-Elect since ICAP in Paris (2014).
 - **Dr. Susan McDaniel** (USA) has agreed to serve on the Division 17 Executive and has been nominated to the post of President-Elect (2018-2022), to commence at ICAP in Montreal (June, 2018). Dr. McDaniel is recent past-president of the American Psychological Association (2016) and an international leader in the development of integrated primary care. Dr. McDaniel is a professor of family medicine and psychiatry at the University of Rochester.
 - **Dr. Diana Prescott** (USA) has agreed to serve as secretary for Division 17 (2017-2022). Dr. Prescott brings a wealth of experience in professional practice and organizational psychology. Diana has just completed a term as Member at Large for the Board of the American Psychological Association and is in

independent practice in psychology in Maine, USA. She has recently attended the APA Committee for the Advancement of Professional Practice (CAPP – February, 2018) which aims to expand the advocacy and other resources of importance to practitioners in the USA. These developments will be followed closely by Division 17 with a view to highlighting initiatives that may be of assistance to the practice of psychology internationally.

We welcome all those who wish to participate in the further development of the Professional Practice Division. Please send an Expression of Interest to our email addresses below.

- **Preparation for ICAP, Montreal (June, 2018)**
 - The Division is planning a **half-day symposium** at ICAP on ***“The role of psychology in integrated mental health care: an international perspective”***, convened/chaired by our incoming President, Dr. Robyn Vines. This continues and expands a now well-established tradition of the Professional Practice Division to canvas and advocate for the importance of psychology in integrated primary health care. This service delivery model has been discussed and promoted at key international conferences of psychology since 2010 - most recently at the European Congress of Psychology (ECP) in Amsterdam (July, 2017) - also at ICAP, Melbourne (2010); ICP, Cape Town (2012); ECP, Stockholm (2013); ICAP, Paris (2014); ECP, Milan (2015); ICP, Yokohama (2016); the Australian Psychological Society Congress, Melbourne (2016) and, as mentioned, Amsterdam (2017). The expanded program at ICAP in Montreal will include presentations from our outgoing President: Professor James Bray (USA), incoming President: Dr. Robyn Vines (Australia), President-Elect: Professor Susan McDaniel (USA); Division Secretary: Dr. Diana Prescott (USA), Professors Jean Grenier and Marie-Helene Chomienne (Canada), Dr. Tor Levin Hofgaard: President of the Norwegian Psychological Association – and others from across the world.



***Most recent international Division 17 symposium:
“Psychology in Integrated Care” Amsterdam (July, 2017)***
from left to right: Diana Prescott (USA), Peter Kinderman (UK), Tor Levin-Hofgaard (Norway), James Bray (USA), Robyn Vines (Australia), Jean Grenier and Marie-Helene Chomienne (Canada)

- The Division is also hosting a number of **keynote addresses**, including those given by James Bray, Professor Lyn Littlefield: CEO of the Australian Psychological Society (on “Capacity Building in Psychology”) and others. We encourage all members of IAAP and attendees at ICAP to attend these events.
- Division 17 **Executive Committee meeting**: we are meeting formally at ICAP, following the IAAP Board Meeting on June 24th & 25th, 2018. Please forward any items or recommendations you would like us to consider to the email addresses below.
- **Division 17 Newsletter:**
The Executive Committee are editing a Newsletter for the Division to release before ICAP. We welcome any news items, issues of interest and notification of any professional practice developments that may be of interest to IAAP members and our colleagues across the world. Please send all copy to the email addresses below.

We look forward to seeing as many of you as possible at ICAP in Montreal.

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