

IAAP E-News (October, 2019)
Division 17
Division of Professional Practice

October, 2019:

a) **INTERNATIONAL CONGRESSES / SYMPOSIA**

Division 17: Professional Practice continues to organize symposia at various international meetings and congresses to focus on advances in professional practice and especially the role of psychology and the psychologist in integrated primary healthcare. This is in line with current initiatives at the United Nations focusing on optimal early intervention in primary care to facilitate mental health and wellbeing.

Division 17 Members presented at two key symposia at American Psychological Association Conference in Chicago, Illinois (Thursday 8th – Sunday 11th August, 2019)

For a full report, see: [Division 17 September E-News](#)

Members of our Division 17 team presenting at the APA Symposium on “Integrated Care and Telehealth: An International Perspective”



Integrated Care Symposium Team (from left to right): James H Bray; Diana Prescott; Lindsay Sycz; Ole Tunold (Norway); Susan McDaniel and Nancy Ruddy.



**Division 17 Immediate-Past President: Professor James Bray and
Division 17 Secretary: Dr. Diana Prescott at the APA Congress in Chicago**

Forthcoming: Integrated Care Symposia at two key International Congresses in 2020

- **Double-symposium at ICP in Prague: July, 2020**
- **Symposia at the 100th / Centennial Congress of Applied Psychology in Cancun: December, 2020**

(Please contact us if you would like to contribute.)

b) CLIMATE CHANGE: HOW SHOULD WE RESPOND?

Of particular concern this month, and particularly as we go to press, are: the current state of the global climate, the increasing frequency of extreme weather events – and the United Nations Climate Change Conference, convened to address these issues with decisive action. Assembled below are a few items of interest/links relevant to these issues – in line with articles we’ve written in previous Newsletters (see links at the end of this E-News). Please let us know how we, as an international/global organisation might take effective action.

- **Greta Thunberg tells UN leaders ‘we will never forgive you’: 2019 summit latest:**
See: <https://www.ft.com/content/b22326f2-db31-11e9-8f9b-77216ebe1f17>
- **“Summits, Strikes, and Climate Change: There are positive signs that the politics of climate change are changing in America. (And giving up isn’t really an option). By Elizabeth Kolbert; September 20, 2019**
See: <https://www.newyorker.com/magazine/2019/09/30/summits-strikes-and-climate-change>
- **“The rise of ‘eco-anxiety’: climate change affects our mental health, too”: The Conversation (17 September 2019)**
See: <https://theconversation.com/the-rise-of-eco-anxiety-climate-change-affects-our-mental-health-too-123002>

- **David Attenborough - on the Australian Climate Record:**
See: <https://www.abc.net.au/7.30/david-attenborough-criticises-australia-for-not/11544574>
Also: <https://www.abc.net.au/triplej/programs/hack/sir-david-attenborough-slams-scott-morrison-on-climate-record/11533566>
 - **Australian Psychological Society:**
 - **“Coping with Climate Change Stress”**
See: https://www.psychology.org.au/getmedia/cf076d33-4470-415d-8acc-75f375adf2f3/coping_with_climate_change.pdf.pdf
 - **Introduction:**
See: https://www.psychology.org.au/About-Us/news-and-media/Media-releases/2019/Climate-change-a-rapidly-increasing-issue-for-our?utm_medium=email&utm_campaign=190920_APSUpdate_allmembers&utm_content=190920_APSUpdate_allmembers+CID_2653670e4d34078a6e714e7b8c3b3364&utm_source=Email%20marketing%20software&utm_term=more
- c) **“THINGS TO BE CHEERFUL ABOUT”:** On a positive note – the interview below provides inspiration to us all in finding solutions to the current seemingly insoluble dilemmas that we, our clients and our communities face.. Entitled “Solutions-based journalism” it highlights an approach which hopefully we all take in therapy with our clients – but “writ large” on the media stage.
- a. Description: <https://www.abc.net.au/radionational/programs/saturdayextra/and-now,-the-good-news/11512018>
 - b. See: https://abcmedia.akamaized.net/rn/podcast/2019/09/sea_20190914_0845.mp3
- Let us know what you think – and please send any further inspirational material/approaches you come across.
- d) **WEBINAR:** “Integrated Multidisciplinary Mental health Care”
Please go to the IAAP Website to view Webinar with Professor James Bray and Dr Robyn Vines, broadcast on May 16th by Division 17.



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LINKS:

- [UNITED NATIONS INTEGRATED CARE INITIATIVE](#)
- [PREVIOUS NEWSLETTERS:](#)**

- **February**
- **March**
- **April**
- **May**
- **June**
- **August**
- **September**