

**Division of Professional Practice
(Division 17)
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**The key 'item of news' in this E-News is to say '*Congratulations and Welcome*' to our new Division of Professional Practice 'President-Elect':
Professor Susan McDaniel:**



and to THANK our outgoing Immediate-Past President: Professor James Bray for his wonderful ten years of contribution, since taking up the position of President at ICAP in Melbourne in 2010. James oversaw the transition of the new Division to an established part of IAAP and has made a huge contribution in doing so.



We, as a Division, are extraordinarily fortunate to have, as part of our team, two distinguished past-Presidents of the American Psychological Association – James in 2009 and Susan in 2016. They both have brought (and bring) exceptional expertise to the Division from their many years of practice, and we can benefit enormously from their years of experience and service on the APA Board of Directors. Both have made a huge contribution to the development of Integrated Care in the USA and internationally. This is one of the key platforms of our Division - and a personal crusade of my own as Current President. We will all continue to work for the role of Psychology in Integrated Health Care during the remaining two years of my own Presidency - and I am delighted that, with Susan taking up the role at this point, it is clear that this will continue. **More of this to be discussed in our forthcoming Spring (southern hemisphere)/Autumn (northern) Newsletter.**

THE PAST MONTH: THE WORLD IN THE TIME OF COVID-19

It's truly astonishing that, as we write (24.8.20) the WHO Coronavirus Disease 'dashboard' indicates that there are now **23,057,288 confirmed cases and 800,906 deaths globally**, as compared to 15,581,009 and 635,173 respectively only last month (26.7.20). The acceleration of this disease has made the world unrecognisable: economically & health-wise - amongst many other parameters, in a matter of seven months!

See: https://covid19.who.int/?gclid=CjwKCAjwqtqj2BRBYEiwAqfzur0_ex6dWxh6KYdT1q__x1tUhP8dQDg2I9MkiGszf2yy2d4CisCeevhoCGFEQAvD_BwE

(for a “Snapshot history for 2020” see June Div. 17 E-News):

<https://iaapsy.org/divisions/division17/division-17-newsletter-june-2020/>

As we prepare our Autumn/Spring Newsletter (as distinct from E-News – to be released shortly) and compare it to our End of Year (2019) equivalent, it is clear that none of us did, or could have, foresee(n) this huge transformation across the globe. The role of the IAAP in supporting our members continues to be important in this regard.

Please contact me if you have items to share, questions to ask and/or any ideas to put forward in relation to Division 17 activities.

All the best to all our Members as we continue to face the ongoing COVID-19 crisis.



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LINKS:

- **UNITED NATIONS INTEGRATED CARE INITIATIVE:**
https://iaapsy.org/site/assets/files/1222/undoc_integratinghealthintoprimarycare_pdf.pdf
- **Previous Division 17 E-News Bulletins:**
<https://iaapsy.org/divisions/division17/>
- **Newsletter: End of Year (2019)**
<https://iaap.createsend1.com/t/ViewEmail/t/CB562312D9AFD69D2540EF23F30FEDED>