

Psychologist Professional Advisory Group Meeting Minutes

June 6, 2012
1200-1300 EST

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1. Guest Speaker: CAPT John Golden, Ph.D.

- CAPT John Golden, Ph.D., clinical psychologist (Ph.D. Univ. of Louisville), former Air Force psychologist (1989-1993) and enlisted member (1973-1979) serving with USPHS since January 2003. Reentered active federal duty after Sept 11, 2001 to serve our country. Assigned Dept Homeland Security/Immigration & Customs Enforcement/Division of Immigration Health Services from Jan 2003 to Oct 2008 at Port Isabel Detention Center, Rio Grande Valley, TX. Formerly detailed to DoD, Defense Centers of Excellence for Psychological Health & Traumatic Brain Injury (DCoE) since Nov 2008, office in Silver Spring, MD. Served as Chief of Psychological Health Clinical Practice Consultation, serving any of the 300 Military Treatment Facilities worldwide. Lead a multiservice/multidisciplinary clinical team providing site assistance/VTC/email consultation to apply clinical standards of care/evidenced based treatment/best practices in supporting Warriors and their families. Currently detailed to DoD Deployment Health Clinical Center as Deputy Director of Clinical Programs and Interim Clinical Director of the Specialized Care Program, IOP for PTSD.

2. Report from the Chair: LCDR Jeffrey Goodie (jgoodie@usuhs.mil)

- Congratulations to CDR Chris Hunter and thank you to the selection committee.
 - Thank you: LCDR Asha Ivey/LCDR Erika Odom who formed the committee and selected the chair, CDR Rick Schobitz
 - 6 applicants this year
 - CDR Christopher Hunter
 - DoD Program Manager for Behavioral Health in Primary Care
 - CDR Hunter is a nationally recognized expert in primary care behavioral health (PCBH) training, services and research. One example of his leadership and accomplishments is reflected by his success in co-leading 19 DoD and Veteran's Administration (VA) subject matter experts in the development and implementation of the DoD/VA joint behavioral health in primary care integration strategy.
 - CDR Hunter led collaborative efforts with Army, Navy, Air Force and DoD Health Affairs subject matter experts that secured \$250 million in funding for ongoing support to hire and train 470 full-time behavioral health personnel to work in primary care throughout the DoD.
 - In conjunction with this effort he led 9 multi-Service representatives over 7 months in drafting the first ever Department of Defense Instruction establishing standards and responsibilities related to behavioral health personnel working in primary care.
 - Plaque and certificate to be presented at COA meeting
- Special Pays Update

- CPAB Meeting on 18 April
- Primary focus was review the data associated with Assignment Incentive Pay
- Continuing to work on developing the strongest argument for the ASH to consider
- Best Kept Secret Brochure
 - No recent updates
- Request looking for psychology volunteers to help out at conference from CAPT Coppola.
 - CAPT Coppola is requesting assistance at these conference.

Association for Psychological Science 22nd Annual Convention	5/24-27	5/24-26	Chicago, IL
American Psychological Association	8/2-5	8/2-5	Orlando, FL
North American Brain Injury Society	9/11-15	9/11-15	Miami, FL
US Psychiatric and Mental Health Congress	11/8-11	11/9-10	San Diego, CA
American Academy of Addiction Psychiatry (AAAP) Annual Meeting	Dec 6-9	12/6-8	Miami, FL

- Committee Volunteer
 - Please consider volunteering for committees
 - COA Conference 19-21 June, College Park, MD
 - PsyPAG Lunch
 - 20 Jun (Wed)@ 1200, @ Adele's
 - Stamp Student Union at the University of Maryland, College Park
 - Limited-License tours of duty.
 - Working with advocacy committee to drafting white paper to discuss background and recommendations
3. Report from the Chair Elect: CDR Anne Dobmeyer (anne.dobmeyer@wpafb.af.mil)
 - CDR Dobmeyer expressed her congratulations to Chris Hunter for winning the Psychologist of the Year Award.
 4. Report from the Secretary: LCDR Tony Satterfield (William.satterfield@tma.osd.mil)
 - Website (<http://usphs-hso.org/?q=pags/psypag>) – PsyPAG is seeking an individual to assist in updating and maintaining the PsyPAG website. Interested individuals should contact me by e-mail.
 5. Report from Category Liaisons
 - HSO Category: CDR Scott Salvatore (scott.salvatore@amedd.army.mil)
 - CAPT Wilkins asked if there is a possibility for Commissioned Corps social workers to be detailed to the Veterans Administration. RADM Elizondo said that he would ask at DCCPR and let CDR Sicard know to follow up with CAPT Wilkins.
 - PAC Chapter has been revised:
 - Increase all pac voting members from 20 up to 30.

- Increase voting membership term of appointment from 3 up to 4 years 3. Lifetime of service from 6 years to no more than 8 years.
 - Scientist Category: CDR Nicole Frazer (Nicole.frazer@tma.osd.mil)
 - From 5 June 12 SciPAC call:
 - Promotion results are expected mid-June.
 - Orders for “deemed Regular Corps” were going to be placed in our e-OPFs in April, but have been delayed due to IT issues. Once those are completed then orders for permanent grade promotions will be processed.
 - BDUs phasing out: There has been a delay in the Personnel Operations Memorandum for wear of the ODU due to the Coast Guard stock of ODUs not being ready. Once the POM goes into effect then there will be a one year period for phasing out of the BDUs.
 - SciPAC category day at COA is on 21 June; registration has been extended through 08 Jun 12; there will be no onsite registration. LCDR Robin Toblin is the POC for the Social that evening. There will also be SciPAC coins and t-shirts for sale at COA.
 - JOAG social commemorating 10 year anniversary of JOAG is on 20 June from 1930-2130 at the Student Union; \$10.00 per person/RSVP by 8 June with an e-mail to phs.joag@gmail.com. They will then direct you to a PAYPAL link or address to send in a check for payment.
 - We continue to work with CAPT Williams-Fleetwood and CDR Abe on special pays. Next CPAB meeting is in July.
6. Report from OFRD Liaison: LCDR Anthony Tranchita (anthony.tranchita.1@us.af.mil)
- Two training opportunities this summer include CHASM mission in Rosebud, as well as Operation Lone Star in TX. Pre-Deployment Site Survey next week or so for Rosebud, primary support will be Team #5. Operation Lonestar will likely only be able to have support of "local" officers, as the travel budget is very thin.
 - Current planning of response teams is to have one Commander for each rotation, i.e. there would be a rotation Commander who would be in charge of the RDF, MHT, APHT, SAT for that rotation.
 - CAPT Elenberg has started her new job. Her old job in OFRD training will be advertised.
 - Unaccompanied Children mission in Texas will be coming to a close 9 June.
 - Readiness standards will be run this month in time for July 1.
7. Report from COF Liaison: CDR Sam Dutton (Samuel.dutton@med.navy.mil)
- The 2012 COA Symposium will be 19-21 Jun (Tue-Thu).
 - Opening ceremony will take place later on Tuesday and Category Day will be held on Thursday.
 - There will be a SciPAC social event on Thursday night following Category Day. The social will be at Hard Times Cafe, from about 6:00-8:00 pm on Thu 21 Jun (following Category Day). They have a great vegetarian chili, happy hour specials, and SciPAC will have a separate room for the event. Hard Times Café is located at 4738 Cherry Hill Rd, College Park, tel (301) 474-8880, and is several minutes by car from campus.

- PsyPAG is planning a breakout session on Category Day under HS-PAC auspices that will include presentations by 3 psychologists in a one-hour block of time from 4:30-5:30; these may qualify for APA credit. The 3 presentations are:
 - Leadership Worth Following - CDR Dennis Slate will explore an organizational psychology topic dealing with leadership models.
 - How to Become a Prescribing Psychologist - CDR Sam Dutton will discuss details and decision points to consider when gaining prescriptive authority.
 - Psychological Evaluations for the Biological Personnel Reliability Program - CDR Scott Salvatore will talk about conducting focused assessments for certain sensitive government positions.
- We are organizing a PsyPAG lunch at the COA conference on Weds June 20th, the day before Category Day. This will be a great chance to meet your fellow PsyPAG colleagues face-to-face, so by all means join us. The lunch will be held at Adele's Restaurant in the Stamp Student Union at 12:15 following the last morning session. The Stamp Student Union is also where the COA Symposium will take place, so it will be very convenient to attend. Adele's has agreed to give everyone separate checks, and you will be able to order off their Summer Menu (menu can be viewed at Adele's webpage on the University of Maryland College Park website). We hope to see you there.

8. Report from APA Liaison: LT Rivera (Luz.E.Rivera@fda.hhs.gov)

- No Report

9. Reports from Committee Chairs

- Policy and Procedures: CDR Anne Dobmeyer (anne.dobmeyer@med.navy.mil):
 - No policies or bylaws have been reviewed in the past 2 months. We have had a request to review the PsyPAG bylaws section related to Psychologist of the Year Award. The Policy subcommittee will be reviewing sections of the bylaws related to eligibility and time frame for the award. Please expect additional information about this via email within the next 1-2 months for your review, input, and vote.
- Membership: LCDR Asha Ivey (aivey@cdc.gov)/LCDR Erika Odom (ECOdom@cdc.gov):
 - No Report
- Recruitment and Retention: CDR Aditya Bhagwat (Aditya.Bhagwat@med.navy.mil)/ LCDR Meghan Corso (meghan.corso@med.navy.mil):
 - No information to report.
- Professional Development: LCDR Robert Belde (robert.belde@usafa.af.mil)/LCDR Heidi Daniels (heidi.daniels@afncr.af.mil):
 - LT Burns is an HSO psychologist serving on the Mentoring Professional Advisory Workgroup. The WG had a recent meeting in which they mentioned the need for more senior officers (O-5 and above) within PsyPAG to serve as mentors. If there are any senior PsyPAG officers interested in serving as mentors, they should email LT Burns, robert.l.burns.mil@health.mil to express their interest.
- Advocacy: CDR Bryan Davidson (bryan.davidson@langley.af.mil)

- Preparing a White Paper to provide background and support for Licensed Limited Tours of Duty for psychologists. This can be used to re-engage PAC chairs with proposed action plan promoting SRCOSTEP positions as a method for bringing on pre-licensed psychologists.
- DoD SIG: LCDR Jennifer Bodart (jennifer.bodart-02@afncr.af.mil)/LCDR Renee Pleasanton (evelyn.pleasanton@lakenheath.af.mil)
 - The SIG met on 16 May 12
 - The discussion centered around the 1st MOA All hands meeting which occurred in April and was led by LCDR Joel Nelson, who is the POC for the MOA. He had distributed slides prior to that meeting clarifying several new/previous policies. This included extending current assignments, billet information, and his role in supporting the MOA. Several days prior to the meeting the forms for extensions and standardizing the feedback process with supervisors about PHS officers intentions regarding the assignment were distributed. Several officers did not receive the slides so they were sent those individuals.
 - We continue to invite new members to join the SIG, targeting mostly social workers in the HSO category. We have also encouraged several Psych Nurses to participate.
 - 4. The next SIG meeting will occur on 18 July.
- Science Committee: LCDR Robin Toblin (robin.l.toblin@us.army.mil)
 - Emails will be coming with the following three topics
 - A list of presentations that are relevant for psychologists at COF
 - An updated CV with new additions added into the text of the email
 - A list of conferences with a list of societies represented being placed in the text of the email

9. Misc Announcements: None

10. Adjourn

Mark your calendars – the next PsyPAG meeting will be August 1, 2012.

Participation:

Rank	Last Name	First Name	Present/Excused
CAPT	Golden	John	Yes
CAPT	Murry	Michael	Yes
CDR	Barnes	Vincent	Yes
CDR	Coady	Jeff	Excused
CDR	Davidson	Bryan	Yes
CDR	Dobmeyer	Anne	Yes
CDR	Dutton	Samuel	Yes
CDR	Frazer	Nicole	Yes
CDR	Krick	Robert	Yes

CDR	Lewis	Robin	Yes
CDR	Salvatore	Scott	Yes
CDR	Tranchita	Anthony	Yes
LCDR	Barry	David	Yes
LCDR	Beaulieu	Kay	Yes
LCDR	Belde	Robert	Yes
LCDR	Bodart	Jennifer	Yes
LCDR	Chodacki	Julie	Yes
LCDR	Cohn-Aizic	Daniela	Yes
LCDR	Corso	Meghan	Yes
LCDR	Goodie	Jeffrey	Yes
LCDR	Hatch	Arlin	Yes
LCDR	Satterfield	William	Yes
LCDR	Sekulic	Kenneth	Yes
LCDR	Toblin	Robin	Yes
LCDR	Wallace	Brooke	Yes
LT	Burns	Robert	Yes
LT	Reilly	Meghan	Yes
LT	Rivera	Luz	Excused
	Cua	Eduardo	Yes