

# SOCIETY *of* BEHAVIORAL MEDICINE

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## ETCD Council Conference Call MINUTES

Thursday, July 14, 2016

9 a.m. PT/10 a.m. MT/11 a.m. CT/12 p.m. ET

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### In Attendance

Nicole Zarrett, PhD (chair)  
Jamie Bodenlos, PhD  
Ashley Day, PhD  
Vicki DiLillo, PhD  
Kristi Graves, PhD (guest)  
Amy Huebschmann, MD  
Valerie Myers, PhD  
Karen Oliver, PhD  
Lori Pbert, PhD  
Amy Stone (staff)  
Erica Linc (staff)

### Regrets

Heather Cole-Lewis, PhD  
Georita Marie Frierson, PhD  
Barbara Stetson, PhD

### Discussion of how the ETCD Council and SIGs Can Minimize Session Overlap at Annual Meetings

The council invited Special Interest Group (SIG) Council Chair Dr. Graves to join the July call to discuss how the Education, Training, and Career Development (ETCD) Council might better communicate its purpose to the SIGs, offer its assistance, and minimize the chance of offering multiple similar/competing sessions at future annual meetings. In short, discussing when the council should get involved and when should it not. Dr. Oliver reported that she collaborated successfully with the Health Decision Making SIG at the 2016 Annual Meeting in developing and holding a career transitions panel with the plan to then assist them with theirs for the 2017 Annual Meeting.

When asked why there was this sudden influx of career development and mentoring sessions coming from the SIGs Dr. Graves indicated that while the Cancer SIG had been holding events geared towards early-career/junior SBM members for the last 10 years (e.g., the Cancer SIG's mock grant review pre-conference course) in recent years more SIGs have recognized the interest there is in these topics.

Preliminary plans include asking that the SIGs carefully consider whether their ETCD-related session is SIG-specific. If not, they should come to the ETCD Council. Furthermore, if any SIG is thinking of engaging in any sort of mentoring activity they should inform Dr. Graves, Dr. Zarrett, and Ms. Linc of their plans.

Drs. Graves and Zarrett also wish to establish regular calls every six months with the SBM Membership Council Chair Lorna Haughton McNeill, MPH, PhD, to further increase coordination between the councils.

**Actions: Ms. Linc will share links to Cancer SIG's nuggets of advice videos with members of the ETCD Council.**

### Next Meeting

Thursday, August 11; 9 a.m. PT/10 a.m. MT/11 a.m. CT/12 p.m. ET.