

SOCIETY *of* BEHAVIORAL MEDICINE

Better Health Through Behavior Change

Scientific and Professional Liaison Council Call Minutes January 25, 2015

Call participants

Matt Buman, PhD (guest)
David E. Goodrich, EdD, MS, MA
Kristi D. Graves, PhD (guest)
Paul B. Jacobsen, PhD
Sara J. Knight, PhD
Sherri Sheinfeld Gorin, PhD – Chair
Erika A. Waters, PhD, MPH

Regrets

Jennifer K. Carroll, MD, MPH
Martin D. Cheatle, PhD
Katie Davis, PhD
Amy Janke, PhD (guest)
Julie E. Volkman, PhD (guest)
Miho Tanaka, PhD

Staff

Andrew Schmidt

MINUTES

The November 23, 2015 SPLC minutes were unanimously approved.

DISCUSSION OF SPLC AND SIG COUNCIL COLLABORATION

Dr. Sheinfeld Gorin welcomed Kristi Graves, PhD, current SIG Council Chair and Co-Chair of the Cancer SIG, as a guest on the call. Dr. Graves offered an overview of the many contributions made by the SIGs to SBM and the role of the SIG council in encouraging collaboration between the SIGs and with external organizations. Dr. Graves noted that Annual Meeting sessions are often co-developed by SPLC and one or more SIGs, and Dr. Sheinfeld Gorin indicated that some SPLC members will join the Council and enrich liaison relationships that arose out of SIG-sponsored sessions.

Dr. Knight raised the question of mentorship for emerging SIG leaders, suggesting that the newly-developed Leadership Institute could be a useful resource. Dr. Graves asked whether the SPLC had any formalized mentorship program or materials for emerging leaders interested in building connections with outside groups. Dr. Waters noted that mentorship for securing Program Project grants would be particularly welcome, and Dr. Sheinfeld Gorin cited the importance of external relationship in successful grant applications as a possible point of collaboration between SPLC and the SIG Council. More discussion of mentorship is planned for future SPLC meetings.

Dr. Sheinfeld Gorin reported that she will join the next SIG Council call to discuss the SPLC and continue the conversation regarding collaboration between the councils.

LIAISON REPORTS

VA and Public Health Law Research Group

Dr. Knight reported that PHLR director Scott Burris will be the discussant for the Presidential Symposium on the Pros and Cons of E-Cigarettes, which would highlight the impact of public policy on health behavior. Dr. Knight also reported that she has been working with Dr. Goodrich, Dr. Sheinfeld Gorin, and Dr. Tanaka to develop ideas for solidifying connections with VA leaders during and following the Annual Meeting.

Physical Activity/VA

Dr. Goodrich reported that an ACSM/SBM joint position statement, "Increase United States Health Plan Coverage for Exercise Programming in Community Mental Health Programs for People with Serious Mental Illness," had been published by both organizations and would be submitted for publication in *Translational Behavioral Medicine*.

APOS/IPOS

Dr. Jacobsen noted that Dr. Graves would be co-chairing a course with Dr. Catherine Alfano from the American Cancer Society (ACS), and that Council members may be interested either in submitting or sponsoring programming at the 8th Biennial Cancer Survivorship Research Conference being held in June.

Cochrane Collaboration

Dr. Sheinfeld Gorin reported that Dr. Tianjing Li would be presenting the pre-conference course on network meta-analyses co-sponsored by the EBBM SIG, the Cancer and TTBCI SIGs with the Cochrane Collaboration (US Cochrane Center).

The Obesity Society and Obesity Week 2016

On behalf of Dr. Davis, who was unable to be on the call, Dr. Sheinfeld Gorin reported that because of the success of the co-sponsored key lecture at Obesity Week 2015, SBM has been invited to prepare a symposium for this year's conference as well.

Informatics and Communications, AMIA

On behalf of Dr. Tanaka, who was unable to be on the call, Dr. Sheinfeld Gorin reported that both AMIA's president and the editor of a special issue of JAMIA would be participating in the SPLC co-sponsored midday meeting entitled "The State of Science in Applying Bioinformatics to Enhance Patient Engagement." Dr. Sheinfeld Gorin added that the JAMIA special issue would be cross-promoted with SBM and content would be available on the SBM website.

AAFP (proposed)/NAPCRG

Dr. Carroll was not on the call and her update was deferred to next month's call.

Society for Medical Decision Making

Dr. Waters reported that an article written in conjunction with SMDM had been submitted to *Journal of*

Behavioral Medicine and that there was interest in cross-publication in *Medical Decision Making*.

Pain

Dr. Cheadle was not on the call and his update was deferred to next month's call.

National Communication Association/ International Conference on Communication in Healthcare

Dr. Volkman was not on the call and her update was deferred to next month's call.

UPDATES TO SPLC WEB PRESENCE

As part of an effort to make the SPLC's web presence more Dr. Sheinfeld Gorin invited all Council members to submit some biographical information, research interests and outcomes of their liaison relationships for the SPLC webpage. Council members were also encouraged to share brief statements highlighting their Annual Meeting sessions to be included in an upcoming SIG digest email, and provide any pertinent updates for next SPLC *Outlook* newsletter article.