

# SOCIETY *of* BEHAVIORAL MEDICINE

*Better Health Through Behavior Change*

## Scientific and Professional Liaison Council Minutes February 22, 2016

### Call participants

Martin D. Cheatle, PhD  
Katie Davis, PhD  
David E. Goodrich, EdD, MS, MA  
Sara J. Knight, PhD  
Miho Tanaka, PhD  
Sherri Sheinfeld Gorin, PhD – Chair  
Julie E. Volkman, PhD (guest)

### Regrets

Matt Buman, PhD (guest)  
Jennifer K. Carroll, MD, MPH  
Paul B. Jacobsen, PhD  
Amy Janke, PhD (guest)  
Erika A. Waters, PhD, MPH

### Staff

Lindsay Bullock, Andrew Schmidt

### MINUTES

The January 25, 2016 SPLC minutes were unanimously approved.

### DISCUSSION OF BYLAWS CHANGES AND CORPORATE/AFFILIATE MEMBER CATEGORY

On behalf of the Membership Council, Lindsay Bullock presented a proposed amendment to the SBM bylaws that would rename the corporate membership category to affiliate membership, as well as expand the scope of the membership type to include nonprofit groups and professional organizations. Ms. Bullock indicated that the specific costs and benefits of affiliate membership would be comparable to similar membership categories offered by other organizations, and invited SPLC members to share their comments and suggestions with the Membership Council as they finalize the details of the new member type.

### LIAISON REPORTS

#### VA and Public Health Law Research Group

Dr. Knight reported that she has been working with Dr. Goodrich, Dr. Sheinfeld Gorin, and Dr. Tanaka to develop ideas for solidifying connections with VA leaders. She noted that a meeting was being planned

between David Atkins, director of the Quality Enhancement Research Initiative (QUERI) at the VA and SBM leaders during the Annual Meeting.

### **Physical Activity/VA**

Dr. Goodrich reported that two symposia co-sponsored by ACSM are scheduled for the Annual Meeting, and 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. Jacobson was not on the call and his update was deferred to next month's call.

### **Cochrane Collaboration**

Dr. Sheinfeld Gorin encouraged council members to attend a pre-conference course on network meta-analyses co-sponsored by the SPLC, the EBBM, Cancer and TTBCI SIGs, and the Cochrane Collaboration (US Cochrane Center).

### **The Obesity Society and Obesity Week 2016**

Dr. Davis reported that planning is underway for an SBM-sponsored symposium at Obesity Week 2016, featuring a point-counterpoint on evaluating success of large NHLBI-funded trials.

### **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 is being cross-promoted by SBM and is accessible via 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 was not on the call and her update was deferred to next month's call.

### **Pain**

Dr. Cheatle reported that he has been in contact with the executive director of the American Academy of Pain Management, who expressed interest in co-sponsoring sessions and co-marketing one another's Annual Meetings. Dr. Cheatle also reported that he would be reaching out to the immediate past president of the American Pain Society to explore a possible liaison.

### **National Communication Association/ International Conference on Communication in Healthcare**

Dr. Volkman reported that she is continuing to work with contacts at the National Communication Association Division of Health Communication to identify opportunities for future collaboration.