

SOCIETY *of* BEHAVIORAL MEDICINE

Better Health Through Behavior Change

Scientific and Professional Liaison Council

Minutes

July 25, 2016

Call participants

David E. Goodrich, EdD, MS, MA
Katie Davis, PhD
Sara J. Knight, PhD
Natalia Loskutova, MD, PhD (guest)
Sherri Sheinfeld Gorin, PhD – Chair
Erika A. Waters, PhD, MPH

Regrets

Martin D. Cheatle, PhD
Paul B. Jacobsen, PhD
Amy Janke, PhD (guest)
Miho Tanaka, PhD
Julie E. Volkman, PhD (guest)

Staff

Mary Dean, Andrew Schmidt

MINUTES

The June 27, 2016 SPLC minutes were unanimously approved.

INTRODUCTIONS

Dr. Sheinfeld Gorin welcomed Natalia Loskutova, MD, PhD, as a guest member of the council.

LIAISON REPORTS

VA and Public Health Law Research Group

Dr. Knight reported that she and Dr O'Neill were developing a session on incorporating innovations in cancer screening in large healthcare systems, featuring presenters from the VA and Department of Defense. She asked if Dr Sheinfeld Gorin would chair the symposium. Dr. Knight also reported that Dr. Jeff Haibach, SBM member and Scientific Program Manager at the VA Health Services Research and Development Service, was working with the Military and Veterans' Health SIG to organize a pre-conference course on research translation.

EBBM, APOS/IPOS/Cochrane Collaboration

Dr. Sheinfeld Gorin reported that she is working with the Cancer and Evidence Based Behavioral Medicine SIGs and representatives from the US Cochrane Center to organize a co-sponsored session at

the Annual Meeting. The session would serve as a “how-to” demonstration of the Cochrane review process, similar to well-attended presentations at other conferences (e.g., Catherine Alfano, Cancer SIG Chair, Biennial Cancer Survivorship Research Conference). Dr. Sheinfeld Gorin noted that while few SBM members have completed Cochrane reviews in the past, the Cochrane Collaboration doesn’t itself have a behavioral health group, which presents an opportunity for SBM members and the field of behavioral medicine. Dr. Waters added that a topic of particular interest would be how to secure funding for projects like Cochrane reviews, using mechanisms such as the R03 grant.

Physical Activity/VA

Dr. Goodrich reported that a symposium on behavioral strategies for pain management for next year’s ACSM is being developed by Drs. Lynette Craft and Mark Stoutenberg. Dr. Goodrich also reported that ACSM may endorse the upcoming policy brief on persistent pain, and that Drs. Janke and Cheatle were working to develop a co-sponsored session based on the brief for the Annual Meeting.

The Obesity Society and Obesity Week 2016

Dr. Davis reported that the SBM-sponsored symposium entitled “Behavioral Interventions for Obesity” has been scheduled for Obesity Week 2016 and will feature Drs. Dawn Wilson, Robert Kaplan, Peter Kauffman and Karina Davidson. Dr. Sheinfeld Gorin inquired about the possibility of adapting the symposium into a session at the Annual Meeting as well.

Informatics and Communications, AMIA

Dr. Tanaka was unable to join the call, and her update was deferred to next month’s call.

AAFP/NAPCRG

Dr. Loskutova reported that she would be speaking with Dr. Carroll shortly to discuss the proposed liaison with AAFP and explore potential activities at the 2017 Annual Meeting and throughout the upcoming year.

Society for Medical Decision Making

Dr. Waters reported that a final draft had been submitted for an article in a special issue of the *Journal of Behavioral Medicine*, based on previous cross-talk sessions between SBM and SMDM. Dr. Waters added that SIG chairs would be meeting in the upcoming week to discuss planning sessions for the 2017 Annual Meeting, and that she would reach out to the chair and co-chair of the Health Decision Making SIG regarding a session in collaboration with SMDM.

Pain

Dr. Cheatle and Dr. Janke were unable to join the call, and their updates were deferred until next month’s call.

National Communication Association/International Conference on Communication in Healthcare

Dr. Volkman was unable to join the call, and her update was deferred to next month’s call.