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Upcoming Events

IARP Webinar Series Social Security Vocational Expert Testimony and Psychiatric Impairments Aug. 3, 2011

2011 International Symposium on Life Care Planning Scottsdale, AZ Sept 17-18, 2011

IARP 2011 Forensic Conference Las Vegas, NV Nov. 3-5, 2011

2012 IARP International Conference San Juan, Puerto Rico Oct. 25-27, 2012

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New Board President Summarizes Board Meeting

During the first week of June the IARP Board of Directors met in Chicago. First, I must praise outgoing IARP president, Rodney Isom, for his role in strengthening the association's financial base and for the recent net increase in membership. I also am pleased that I inherited an experienced board. All members of the board had served during the past 12 months under Rodney. Here are some of the highlights that I wanted to share with you.



Steve Shedlin President, IARP

- We are committed to a total review of the governance structure of the organization.
- Our new legal counsel, John Peterson, has conducted a thorough legal audit of our policies and procedures. John has made a series of suggestions that we are reviewing.
- The chapter governance task force has already presented its report and the staff and chapter presidents, under Dennis Funk, are implementing the first stages. In the July newsletter we will summarize the report more fully.
- I have appointed two new IARP members to the CORE Graduate Commission on Standards and Compliance. John Meltzer and Dr. Scott Beveridge begin their terms next month. We have also requested that IARP be granted two positions on the CORE Board of Directors.
- The recent summit on Life Care Planning held in Toronto by IARP Canada and the IARP Life Care Planning Section (also known as IALCP) was very successful and IARP garnered six new members from among the attendees.
- With the latest issue of The Rehabilitation Professional, we bid farewell to our Editor Tim Field and Managing Editor Cloie Johnson. Dr. Field was the first editor of the NARPPS Journal in 1986 (1986-1990). In 2007 then-President of IARP Neil Bennett asked Dr. Field to take over the Rehabilitation Professional. At that time the journal was more of a newsletter publication than a professional quality journal. Dr. Field, with the assistance of Janet Field and Cloie Johnson, turned it into the professional journal it is today. We owe all three a huge debt of gratitude for all the hard work they poured into this journal. Dr. Field will continue his role and outstanding contribution to IARP as Publisher of the Journal.
- We would like to welcome aboard our new Editor, Patrick Dunn, PhD, CRC, rehabilitation professor at University of Tennessee and his Managing Editor, Theodore Scott Smith (Scott), University of Louisiana at Lafayette.

I plan to update you frequently during the coming year. Feel free to contact me at sshedlin@gmail.com or (301) 962-6800.



Registration Now Open for 2011 Forensic Conference

We are excited to announce that <u>online registration</u> for the 2011 Forensic Conference (Nov. 3-5, 2011) is now open.

Keynote Speaker Announced

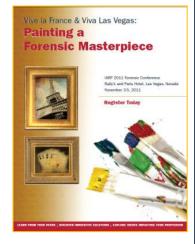


Popular speaker, **Gordon Blush** returns with *Me*, *Myself and I: On Being a Multiple Personality in Professional Casework*. Blush discusses the many roles rehabilitation professionals play in daily casework. Come, enjoy and benefit from this "group therapy" session on tools and strategies for being a "multiple personality" in professional casework.

Conference Brochure A Real Masterpiece

To find everything you need to know about the 2011 Forensic Conference, please <u>download</u> the conference brochure. Flip through the brochure and you will see the terrific educational program that the conference committee has put together, as well as the many attractions that Las Vegas offers.

And make sure to check out the preconference workshops and the Day of Service details. But whatever you do, please make sure to register and to secure your hotel room at IARP's group rate. IARP has sold out its room block for the past several years.



Hotel Information

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NL0910: Autism Spectrum Disorder

- Unraveling the Clues – 8 contact hours **HM3010: Standard of Care** - Making Sense of 'Practice, Ethical, Legal and Credentialing' Guidelines in Forensic Rehabilitation - 4 Contact Hours **NL0206R:** Dual Relationships – Exploring the Limits - 6

(Pre-approved for 6 hours CRC/CDMS Ethics Credit)

ET1050: 2011 URAC Ethical Framework Class for Case Managers and Rehab Counselors

NL0106R: Models of Disability and Advocacy In Rehab Counseling 4 HM2026: Life Care Planning: A Step-by-Step Guide 4

LC1001: Catastrophic Case Management and Life Care Plans – 8 hours *
NL0511: The Confluence of Disability and Poverty 16 hours

* ABVE, ACM, CA BBS, CA BRN, CLCP, CMCN, CPHM, Delaware BON, Florida BON, RNs: ALL STATES, but not CRC



Now Accepting Applications for Gale Gibson IARP Educational Scholarship

Gale Gibson, entrepreneur in the field of occupational databases and founder of VERTEK, creator of OccuBrowse and OASYS software, was generous with his time and knowledge. He shared what he learned along the way with many in the rehabilitation community. In honor of his memory, IARP, along with his family, have instituted the Gale Gibson IARP Educational Scholarship.

The goal of the scholarship fund is twofold: to provide funding for IARP members for professional growth opportunities; and to provide scholarship recipients venues to share their new knowledge with IARP members. Although this scholarship program originated within the IARP Forensic Section it is available to any IARP member.

THIS SCHOLARSHIP IS FUNDED BY IARP MEMBERS FOR IARP MEMBERS. AS LONG AS MEMBERS CONTRIBUTE, SCHOLARSHIPS WILL BE AVAILABLE.

Requirements: Members needs to present a proposal on an approved form outlining course/class/independent study/research project they propose to complete including:

- Course or class study: course title and description; educational provider; method of delivery; timeframe; rationale for taking course; potential idea for sharing the knowledge with members; and the amount of funding requested.
- Independent study: area of study; method of study; timeframe for study; rationale for independent study; potential method for sharing information with the members; and amount of funding requested.
- Research project: area of research; research proposal; methodology; questions the research hopes to answer; timeframe; potential method for sharing the information with the members; and the amount of funding requested.

Funding Amounts

Scholarships will be funded anywhere from **\$100.00** to a maximum of **\$1500** per proposal, depending on funding availability.

Timeline

There are two selection points each year. Scholarship requests must be submitted to the IARP Education Committee by either February 1st of each year or by **August 1st** of each year. Requests for proposals will be published in the Experts Express and on the IARP website.

The education committee will notify requesters of their status within 60 days of the due date (April or October) and the funds will be immediately available.

Awards will be announced in the Experts Express. An official presentation of the scholarship will occur at the following IARP Forensic Conference if the scholarship winner(s) choose to attend.

Submission

Please use our online Scholarship Application form to submit your application.

If you have any questions, please send an email to Pat Sistler, IARP director of education.



Latest Edition of The Rehabilitation Professional

In case you missed it, The Rehabilitation Professional, Volume 19 Number 2, was distributed earlier this week. As noted earlier, this is the final issue for Editor Tim Field and Managing Editor Cloie Johnson (in their current roles). Please be sure to read their editorials for this special issue. Click here to download the entire issue.

Editorials

Timothy F. Field, Editor Cloie B. Johnson, Managing Editor

Articles

The Effect of a Facial Disfigurment on Earning Capacity: A Guide for Vocational Experts

Terrence M. Clauretie

Filling in the Gaps: Seeking an Ethical Framework for Supervision and Consultation of the Forensic Rehabilitation Practitioner

Paul J. Bourgeois, J. Patrick Decoteau, and Cherie L. King

Attitudes of Employers Toward Hiring Individuals with Severe Visual Impairment Robert D. Black and Martin G. Brodwin

The Role of Assistive Technology for Veterans

Evonne Osorio

Reports, Comments and Opinions

Demonstrating Value of Case Management Through Projected Cost Savings Darren K. Flomberg

Rehabilitation Key to Comprehensive Care Plan for Elderly Patients with Complex Cases

Barbara C. Johansson

76 Fostering a Culture of Accommodation In a Post-ADA Amendments Environment Judith Parker

Book Reviews

Cifu, D. X., & Blake, C. (2011). Overcoming Post-Deployment Syndrome: A Six-Step Mission to Health.

Brian T. McMahon

Henderson, G., & Bryan, W. V. (2011). Psychological Aspects of Disability (4th ed.) Beckie Hill





Questions recently discussed on IARP Connect

Forensic Discussions:

Dentists

Depression and job seeking – resources wanted

SSDI benefits

Professionalism on the listserves

O'Net question

Absence data

Odd FCE reporting results

SS-VE Discussions:

Payment

Empirical evidence requested by attorney

Vision

Coffee Talk Discussions:

Business practice tip update



2011 ISLCP Pre-Conference Sessions Announced

IARP and the IALCP Section are pleased to co-sponsor the 2011 International Symposium on Life Care Planning (September 17-18). Details about a two day pre-conference program have been announced.

Thursday, September 15, 2011

Home and Environmental Technology for the 21st Century – How It Will Impact the Practice of Life Care Planning

The Center for Assistive Technology and Environmental Access (CATEA), http://www.catea.gatech.edu/, at Georgia Tech will be presenting this preconference program on Thursday. It will focus on the things that life care planners need to consider in developing components of plans applicable for environmental modification and technological advances that help individuals with disabilities increase their functional independence/autonomy within their home and community. As life care planners, we need to stay current with the devices as well as their associated costs. An experienced rehabilitation engineer and a therapist working with CATEA will give the day long presentation. View the agenda.

Friday, September 16, 2011

Augmentative and Alternative Communication

This program will provide an overview of augmentative communication assessment, use, devices and training. The participants will have the opportunity to work with an augmentative program (if the participant brings a laptop) to better appreciate the functions of augmentative communication software. The participants will have an open forum to interact and learn from the expert(s). Actual videos of children with their devices will be shown to enhance the program. Presenters include Laura Deming, MS, RN, PNP, CCM, CLCP; Ellen Leonard, M.D., Pediatric PM&R; and Meredith Potts, MA, SLPCCC and representatives from Prentke Romich Company (PRC). This program will be packed full of useful information that is geared to helping life care planners understand the full ramifications of these devices for projecting the same accurately in life care planning. For complete details, www.islcp.org.

Save the Date



IARP Events – Online Webinar Series

Our Webinar series takes a vacation in July and then returns with an excellent program in August.

Social Security Vocational Expert Testimony and Psychiatric Impairments

August 3, 2011 Presenter: Amy Vercillo

IARP Chapter Events

2011 Workers' Compensation Symposium

August 11-12, in Hampton, Vir.

2011 Annual ILARP Seminar September 15, 2011 in Naperville, Ill.

IARP Chapter News

IARP Arizona Chapter reports that it has new members of its Board of Directors. <u>Click here to see new Board</u>.

In Other Chapter News

As noted earlier, a new IARP Chapter Governance task force has presented its initial report to the IARP Board of Directors. The IARP staff and chapter presidents, under Dennis Funk, are implementing the initial recommendations. In the July newsletter we will summarize the report more fully.

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I am IARP Featured Profile

Meet Jeani Freeman Price, a Case Manager, Disability Manager and Forensic Expert with more than 20 years experience.

"I worked for a State residential facility for physically and mentally challenged adults and children. I participated in devising program plans, IEP's and work goals. After my 12 years of experience in this medical capacity I obtained a counseling degree and started work for Intracorp, which specializes in disability management. It was with



Intracorp where I obtained my certifications and began performing a dual role of a Medical Case Manager and a Vocational Rehabilitation Counselor. After a period of time I developed my role as an Independent Practitioner in Disability Management and Rehabilitation Counseling. I have owned and operated my business, "Expert Case Management" now for 15 years."

"I have been a member of IARP since 1995. IARP has provided excellent educational conferences and timely updates on national events in the field of rehabilitation."

Read Jeani's complete profile
Read all the I am IARP Profiles

Other Industry News

SSA Hiring Lead Scientist for Occupational Information System

On June 13, the Social Security Administration (SSA) posted a position for a lead scientist for the Office of Vocational Resources Development to provide technical guidance for the development of the occupational information system to replace the Dictionary of Occupational Titles in SSA's disability programs.

Mary Barros-Bailey, chair of the Occupational Information Development Advisory Panel (OIDAP), writes that "OIDAP strongly supports SSA's efforts in recruiting for this position."

Anyone interested in more information about the position can <u>find more information at this link</u>.



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