

**Psychiatry Business & Research Meeting**  
**MINUTES – September 7, 2011 – AMPHITHEATER 1**

**12:00-1:00 in**

**ATTENDANCE: 96 signatures on file: Faculty 31 ; Residents 14 ; Admin & Research 20 ; Support 15 ; Other 16**


**Please be sure to sign in for each meeting.** Our meetings begin promptly at 12:00 noon. In an effort to cover material on an anticipated full agenda, please be sure to mark your calendars **and arrive early** so we may begin the meeting as scheduled. **Lunch is available starting at 11:45am.**  
All faculty, residents, and staff are encouraged to attend.

**NEXT MEETING: Wednesday, October 5, 2011 – Faculty Conference room)**

An agenda reminder will be sent for the October meeting later in September.

**Please review the minutes for information and announcement details that may not have been conveyed at today's meeting.**

Faculty and Staff are encouraged to contact the Chairman's Office with agenda items for these meetings at 508-856-3066 or via email at [Diana.langford@umassmemorial.org](mailto:Diana.langford@umassmemorial.org)

Topic	Items for Presentation/Discussion	Reference & Contact Information
WELCOME AND INTRODUCTIONS	Following opening and welcoming remarks from Chairman, Dr. Douglas Ziedonis, the following proceedings took place.	
PRESENTATIONS	<p> Dr. Ziedonis introduced <b>Dana Weaver, PhD</b> in her new role as Local Service Line Manager of Mental Health for VA Northampton. Dr. Weaver will be a vital link for the Department of Psychiatry within the VA system. Her presentation today as an update of the VA Central Western Massachusetts is available by linking <a href="#">here</a>. Following her presentation, Dr. Weaver responded to some questions from the audience regarding access for women veterans and family services available within the VA system.</p> <p> Gerardo Gonzalez, MD, Director, Addiction Psychiatry Pharmacotherapy Research and Director, Division of Addiction Psychiatry, provided an overview of the new Division of Addiction Psychiatry. A copy of his complete presentation is available by linking <a href="#">here</a>.</p>	
INTRODUCTIONS	<p>— Dr. Ziedonis introduced <b>Larry Behan, MBA</b> as new Senior Director to join our team. Larry brings valuable experience to his new responsibilities as he has managed large budgets similarly related to what we have done as a department. His duties as senior director will involve the effective direction, leadership and supervision of the department's administrative and fiscal activities. Budget development</p>	

<p><b>ANNOUNCEMENTS &amp; INTRODUCTIONS</b></p>	<p>and financial management, development and implementation of strategic initiatives, faculty and staff recruitment, responsible conduct of research, space planning and management, introduction of the effective use of information technology, and the cultivation of critical relationships with the Department of Mental Health (DMH), Commonwealth Medicine, the UMass Medical School, the Medical Group and Memorial Health Care.</p> <p>With over 15 years of senior level administrative, finance and operational expertise with several different organizations, Larry is uniquely qualified to assume responsibility for the 300 faculty and 2,000 staff of the UMass Department of Psychiatry. He comes to UMass from the Commonwealth of Massachusetts Department of Mental Health where he has served as Deputy Commissioner and Chief Financial Officer over the past five years. At DMH he has directed teams managing the financial, administrative, facilities and information technology infrastructure of a large and complex agency with 5 community mental health centers and 3 inpatient hospitals. In his role he has served as a member of the Commissioner's Executive Team and represented the agency in external forums including legislative, interagency, academic and human services. He has successfully managed continued support for client programs in an environment of declining state funding resources. He has reorganized the agency's information technology capabilities assuring mission critical operations, improving operational efficiencies and simultaneously reducing costs. Larry earned his Bachelor of Science degree in Economics from Northeastern University and a Master's in Business Administration from Suffolk University. He lives in Acton with his wife and two sons.</p> <p>Larry acknowledged the warm welcome he has received. He is excited about being here with the touchpoints and ties he has had experience with, and is looking forward to his future with the department.</p> <hr/> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>➤ Alan Brown, MD, Vice Chair Adult Psychiatry Clinical Services, introduced <b>Lori Dakin RN, MS</b>, who has accepted the Nurse Director position. Her official start date was August 29, 2011. Lori is a capable administrator who has a terrific capacity to work within all levels of the organization to move patient centered-care forward. She will be responsible for the oversight of many disciplines. Dr. Brown also conveyed many thanks to <b>Donna Gemme, RN, MS</b>, Associate Chief Nursing Officer, who served as interim director and who has done a fabulous job in the interim- Much appreciation as well to our nurse manager crew, who have carried us so well during this period.</li> <li>➤ Dr. Alan Brown announced: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ The resignation of <b>Paul Plasky, MD, PhD</b>, effective at the end of September.</li> <li>○ <b>Cezar Cimpeanu, MD</b> will assume the role Physician Quality Officer for the hospital effective 10/1. He will also continue as Medical Director on 8E.</li> </ul> </li> </ul> <p><b><i>Further introductions included:</i></b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>✓ <b>Cassie O'Connell</b> who has come on board to help produce the department's Quadrennial Report with consultant Marsha Addis. If you are contacted by Cassie with a request for information or clarification, please help her get the information she needs.</li> <li>✓ <b>Keith Roberts</b>, temporary replacement for MaryJune (MJ) Courtois. Keith will support Drs. Jean Frazier and Peter Metz.</li> <li>✓ <b>Michael Rumery</b> is the new staff accountant for the department. He worked at Brigham and</li> </ul>	
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	<p>Women's Hospital for 10 years prior to coming to UMass. He started last week and has been training over at the BNRI with Kris McCutcheon, An Dang and Jennifer Cobb. He will be located on the seventh floor, University campus.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>✓ Carl Fulwiler announced that <b>Linda Harrington</b> has accepted the position as the Academic Administrator for the Center for Mental Health Services Research effective immediately. <b>Karen Silvia</b> joined the department on August 15. She is the new Grants and Contracts Specialist for the CMHSR who is replacing Ginger Burke in the position.</li> <li>✓ <b>Geoff Bottone</b> is Dr. Schahram Akbarian's new assistant (replacing Christine Bibeault). He will be starting 9/12/11. In the meantime, <b>Jennifer Cobb</b> can provide some assistance. Please contact her for anything coming up before 9/12/11.</li> <li>✓ <b>Hillary Gleason</b>, a graduate of Clark University, is research assistant in the division of Addiction Psychiatry working at CHL on Marie Hobart's project, Primary and Behavioral Health Care Integration Project.</li> <li>✓ <b>Dianna Ames</b> has taken the position of Administrative Assistant for Jack Terry and the Center for Mental Health Services</li> </ul>	
<p><b>New Trainee Introductions</b></p>	<p>Tony Rothschild introduced and announced</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>✓ <b>Christine Becerra</b>, study coordinator working on the new IMH study, who started in August.</li> </ul> <p>Welcome to all!</p> <p><b>Ira Packer introduced the incoming Forensic Psychology postdoctoral residents:</b>  Natalie Anumba, Ph.D. (Drexel University, pre doc internship U of NC Chapel Hill School of Med)  Derek Hess, JD, Ph.D. (photo) Pacific Graduate School of Psychology, Palo Alto CA, pre doc internship UMMS/WSH  Lacey Leavitt, Ph.D (University of Virginia , pre doc internship Patton State Hospital)</p>	
<p><b>ANNOUNCEMENTS</b></p>	<p><b>2 NEW FORENSIC PSYCHOLOGISTS /Forensic Service WSH</b>  Carla Lourenco, JD, PhD (UMASS)  Laura Guy, PhD (UMASS)</p> <p><b>Jack Terry introduced the Incoming Psychology Interns</b>  Melissa Anderson (Washington, DC)  Kara Lustig (UMass Boston)  Tess Neal (U Alabama)  Heather Zelle (Drexel U)</p> <p><b>Monika Kolodziej, PhD</b>, spoke briefly about the Annual Central MA Addiction Consortium Event (Families and Addiction Recovery: Building Foundations for Hope and Healing) to be held, Friday, September 23<sup>rd</sup></p>	

	<p>from 9:00am-3:30pm at Independence Hall, 59 South Street Shrewsbury, MA. Dr. Kolodziej stressed the importance of paying more attention to families and understanding how an individual's substance addiction affects family members. Presenters for the program include Joanne Peterson, Founder and Executive Director of Learn 2 Cope, a successful family support network for families coping with addiction.</p> <p>Barbara Grimes-Smith announced the upcoming <b>Walk to Cure Cancer (the morning of Sunday, 9/25/11)</b> It's by far the biggest walkathon involving the School and Hospital. The Walk usually draws about 8,000 walkers. The Department of Psychiatry, and Marie Paquette and Ann Gentile of our Clinic have joined forces with Barbara Grimes-Smith to stir up interest and support.</p> <p>Barb thanked folks for supporting the yard sale/bake sale which took place on 8/26. A total of \$800 was realized in their efforts and recognized the organizers! All proceeds benefit the UMass Medicine Cancer Center of Excellence. The Psychiatry team is hosting a drawing to raise money for this wonderful cause. Purchase a \$1 raffle ticket from Marie Paquette at OPD, Barb Grimes-Smith at Biotech I or Denise Barrett in the Chair's Office. Prizes will include: Baker's Basket, Yankee Candle Basket, Halloween Basket, Vera Bradley Bag, Dooney Bourke Bag, Fall Centerpieces ...and much more. <b>Last day to purchase tickets is Friday, September 23rd. Drawing to be held on September 26, 2011.</b></p> <p><b>Be Mentally Well event, "Understanding the Complex World of Bullying"</b> Wednesday, October 12, 6:30-8:30pm Amphitheater 1 (Exhibits will be available from 5:30-6:30pm in Old Medical School Lobby.) Bullying is a serious challenge to families, schools and communities and has become an epidemic in our society. Responding to this nationwide issue requires knowing how to recognize the signs as well as the social norms that promote a passive acceptance of bullying behavior. Cyber bullying has increased the stakes and there are new trends and legal ramifications to this utilization of technology. With the legislation enacted by the commonwealth and ongoing research, there is a range of prevention and intervention strategies that are effective in assisting our youth in building the essential skills needed to curb bullying.</p> <p><i>Topics addressed will include:</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Who are the Targets and Who are the Aggressors?</li> <li>• Utilizing Technology Respectfully, Responsibly and Safely</li> <li>• Changing the Culture: Responsibilities of School and Family</li> <li>• Models for Prevention and Intervention</li> </ul>	
<b>Awards and Recognition</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ The Review Committee for the UMMS Faculty Scholar Award has selected <b>Kristina Deligiannidis, MD</b>, Medical Director of the Depression Center, as a recipient of the award for 2011. The Committee was impressed with her project and with her as a candidate. Her application placed her in a select group of UMMS faculty who have demonstrated a commitment to research: Her project has great potential for the institution and for her career. Congratulations, Kristina, on this great honor and a wonderful opportunity at a pivotal time in your early academic career</li> </ul>	

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>▪ Congratulations to two Psychiatry Department members who were recognized by the Association for Academic Psychiatry (AAP) this year: <b>Kerry Elise Wilkins, MD, PGY-3</b>, who received a 2011 AAP Fellowship Award. This award is given to honor psychiatry residents who demonstrate particular promise as educators and scholars in academic psychiatry with personal qualities that set the nominee apart Also, <b>Yael Dvir, MD</b>, received a AAP Junior Faculty Development Award which will facilitate her career development. The Junior Faculty Development recognizes among other things quality and breadth of teaching, administrative and/or leadership activities and innovation.</li></ul>																			
Faculty and Staff News	New Faculty: Ivy Sohn, MD                      08/15/11              Worcester State Hospital																			
Appointment and Promotion	<p>Congratulations to the following members of our faculty whose faculty appointments and/or promotions were recently approved by the Dean and the Vice Provost for Faculty Affairs. Promotion is dependent on professional academic achievement and is an honor within our institution:</p> <table><tr><td>Geri Fuhrmann, PsyD</td><td>Clinical Professor, Psychiatry and Pediatrics. UMMS</td></tr><tr><td>Gina Vincent, PhD</td><td>Research Associate Professor, Psychiatry, UMMS</td></tr><tr><td>Teresa Kohlenberg, MD</td><td>Assistant Professor, Psychiatry, UMMS</td></tr><tr><td>Daniel Kirsch, MD</td><td>Clinical Associate Professor, Psychiatry, UMMS</td></tr><tr><td>Linda Cavallero, PhD</td><td>Clinical Professor, Psychiatry, UMMS</td></tr><tr><td>Schahram Akbarian, MD, PhD</td><td>Professor, Psychiatry, UMMS</td></tr><tr><td>Lisa Beittel, MBA</td><td>Instructor, Psychiatry, UMMS</td></tr><tr><td>Daniel Breslin, MD</td><td>Assistant Professor, Psychiatry, UMMS</td></tr><tr><td>Angelo Camacho-Duran, MD</td><td>Assistant Professor, Psychiatry, UMMS</td></tr></table>	Geri Fuhrmann, PsyD	Clinical Professor, Psychiatry and Pediatrics. UMMS	Gina Vincent, PhD	Research Associate Professor, Psychiatry, UMMS	Teresa Kohlenberg, MD	Assistant Professor, Psychiatry, UMMS	Daniel Kirsch, MD	Clinical Associate Professor, Psychiatry, UMMS	Linda Cavallero, PhD	Clinical Professor, Psychiatry, UMMS	Schahram Akbarian, MD, PhD	Professor, Psychiatry, UMMS	Lisa Beittel, MBA	Instructor, Psychiatry, UMMS	Daniel Breslin, MD	Assistant Professor, Psychiatry, UMMS	Angelo Camacho-Duran, MD	Assistant Professor, Psychiatry, UMMS	
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	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>LOCATIONS AND DATES FOR NEXT ACADEMIC YEAR'S DEPARTMENT MEETINGS</b></p> <p>10/5/2011 Faculty Conference Rm S1-342 11/2/2011 Amphitheater I S2-102 12/7/2011 Faculty Conference Rm S1-342 1/4/2012 Faculty Conference Rm S1-342 2/1/2012 Faculty Conference Rm S1-342 3/7/2012 Faculty Conference Rm S1-342 4/4/2012 Faculty Conference Rm S1-342 5/2/2012 Faculty Conference Rm S1-342 6/6/ 2012 Faculty Conference Rm S1-342</p>																			