

Annual Report to CCTC
November 2016

Status of the Organization

Happily, the last two years have produced record numbers of new Registrants. We attribute this growth to two factors. First, we continue to see significant growth in the utilization rates of our value-added benefits such as licensure mobility, free CEs, referrals through FindaPsychologist.org, and opportunities created with healthcare organizations and hospitals. Second is the increasing number of doctoral students who matriculate through our credentials banking program and become fully credentialed upon licensure. We are very proud that more than 50% of these doctoral students report encouragement from professors/training directors as the reason they bank their credentials with the National Register.

Health Service Psychologist Fellowship

As a result of this growth, we plan to hire another doctoral-level psychologist for the first time in the 40-plus year history of the organization. This individual will help us with our practice development initiatives, represent the Register to psychologists and consumers, and assist us in our policy and advocacy initiatives. The position description is on the job board at www.NationalRegister.org and attached to this report. If you know of a likely candidate, please don't hesitate to refer them to us.

Integrated Healthcare Training Series

We have recently released eight learning modules — 33 video segments in all — on the role of psychologists in integrated healthcare delivery systems. This series features a nationally recognized group of presenters, including Drs. Parinda Khatri, Kent Corso, Neftali Serrano, Jeff Goodie, Robert McGrath, Marlin Hoover and others who are well known for their expertise in the planning and delivery of behavioral healthcare services in the integrated healthcare environment. The purpose of these training videos is to provide psychologists with immediately applicable clinical information that they can use in devising, implementing, and billing for psychological services in the integrated care environment. These learning modules are available to Registrants and Trainee Registrants at no charge on www.CE.NationalRegister.org. We are also happy to make these videos available for group training at internship and postdoctoral sites.

Internship Partnership Fund

The National Register, in collaboration with the American Psychological Foundation, launched the Internship Partnership Fund in August 2015. With this fundraising initiative, the National Register takes a leadership position in solving one of the major issues for the profession: the continuing gap between available accredited internship slots and eligible students applying for those positions. We've made available the first two grants of \$10,000 each to provide direct funding to accredited training sites to create new intern positions in 2017. The information is available on the APF website (www.apa.org/apf/).

Your contributions to support the continued growth of this fund are gratefully received. To donate, please visit www.NationalRegister.org or contact Andrew@nationalregister.org.

Licensure Mobility News

The Washington State Board of Psychology activated their new licensure by endorsement rules in September and we have already sent several credentials verification packages on behalf of Registrants. The New Hampshire Board of Psychologists just completed their administrative rule making process and added the

National Register mobility program for out-of-state applicants. The rules have gone to the legislature for final approval and we are hopeful for a November 4 adoption date. We will update our website as soon as the rules are active.

New Continuing Education Website

The National Register's new continuing education website launched in August. In addition to 100+ exams, automated scoring, and printable certificates, the new site features a 'certificate banking' feature which allows electronic storage of certificates earned through National Register and all other sources. The certificate library is available for a quick report or full download. At the same time, we continue to expand our continuing education offerings. Not only are the six articles in this month's *Register Report* CE eligible, but we have begun partnering with other organizations in order to make a broader range of educational offerings available to Registrants. The most recent partnership is with Hogrefe Publishing to make their clinically-oriented series "*Advances in Psychotherapy: Evidence-Based Practice*" available to Registrants and NPTRs for continuing education (and at a discounted price). We will include an announcement in our monthly e-newsletter when the new CE exams are activated.

Practicum Tracking Application Launched

The National Register has established a practicum tracking service enabling psychology doctoral students to bank practicum hours on their way to becoming licensed and credentialed by the National Register of Health Service Psychologists. There is no fee for this service. Doctoral students open a credentials banking account and enter essential practicum data — dates, location, supervisor information, populations served, and training focus — at the conclusion of each experience and submit a supervisor-signed Practicum Confirmation Form. The National Register maintains a record of the training experience and primary source verification in the student's credentials banking file. Students interested in primary source verification of their practica should establish a training record at www.NationalRegister.org.

E-Newsletter Published Monthly

In addition to the twice-annual printed *Register Report* magazine, the National Register distributes a monthly e-newsletter on or around the 15th of each month. The e-newsletter contains commentary from the Executive Officer and blog posts from the National Register and other organizations, such as The Commonwealth Fund, CMS, SAMHSA, and more. Each edition also features a selection of recent employment opportunities from our Job Board. To get on the e-mail distribution list, please email Terry@nationalregister.org.

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National Register of Health Service Psychologists:

Health Service Psychology Fellowship

The National Register announces the creation of its first Health Service Psychology Fellowship. The Fellowship, which is ideally suited for an early career psychologist, will involve extensive interaction with members of the organization, members of related organizations in psychology and healthcare, mental health policy makers, and consumer organizations. The Fellow will represent the National Register to state psychological associations and state boards of psychology examiners and regional or national organizations in psychology and related fields. The Fellow will work closely with the Executive Officer and staff to expand the membership of the organization via outreach to doctoral programs, training sites, and state and national psychology organizations.

Knowledge

The applicant must possess a doctoral degree in psychology from an American Psychological Association or Canadian Psychological Association accredited doctoral program in psychology. This experience must include the completion of a predoctoral internship of at least 1,500 supervised hours in a site that is accredited by the American Psychological Association or Canadian Psychological Association or one that meets internship criteria as established by the National Register of Health Service Psychologists. The Fellow must have completed supervised post-doctoral training in Health Service Psychology that meets standards established by the National Register.

Skills

Strong expository writing and analytic skills are required and must be demonstrated as a component of applicant evaluation. A history of publication, particularly in the area of health policy, integrated care, or psychological service delivery, is desired. The successful applicant will have demonstrated leadership skills by a history of involvement in local, state, regional, national or international psychological or mental health organizations. Strong organizational and interpersonal skills are required.

The applicant must be licensed or license-eligible in at least one US state or territory or Canadian province. If license-eligible, licensure must be obtained within 12 months of employment. The applicant must meet standards for receipt of the National Register's Health Service Psychologist credential, and it is anticipated that the applicant will become a Registrant. Maintenance of an unrestricted license to practice psychology is an ongoing requirement of the position.

Core Responsibilities

1. **Practice Development:** Work with National Register staff and other healthcare organizations to expand practice opportunities for National Register credentialed psychologists, particularly in underserved areas and in integrated healthcare settings, collaborate in the expansion of the National Register's continuing education programs, and raise funds for the National Register's Internship Partnership Fund.
2. **Writing:** Draft and edit policy papers and practice-oriented articles, develop consumer-oriented content highlighting the benefits of psychological services, create continuing education exams, and develop grant applications to support training for psychologists and doctoral students.

3. Outreach: Represent the organization at local, state and national meetings of psychologists and other healthcare professionals, act as a liaison to media outlets and consumer organizations, and promote the benefits of National Register certification to licensed psychologists and graduate students in psychology.
4. Other duties: as assigned, consistent with the general parameters of the position.

Level of Effort

The position is full time. In keeping with the scholar-practitioner nature of the position, workload demands are designed so that the incumbent may continue to provide clinical services with the remainder of their time. The applicant will be expected to obtain clinical employment independently of the position.

Location

The position is located in the offices of the National Register at 1200 New York Avenue NW, Ste. 800, Washington, DC. The position is primarily sedentary in nature. Some travel is required. Occasional telecommuting is permitted per guidelines established in the National Register's Employee Handbook.

Position

The position is a salaried, at-will position, non-supervisory in nature. The anticipated start date is 1 January 2017. The duration of the initial contract is anticipated to be two years, with the option of renewal by mutual consent. A full health care and benefits package is included.

Equal Opportunity

The National Register is an equal opportunity employer and all qualified applicants will receive consideration for employment without regard to race, color, religion, sex, sexual orientation, gender identity, national origin, disability status, protected veteran status, or any other characteristic protected by law. Psychologists representing diverse backgrounds, particularly sexual minorities or those from culturally diverse backgrounds, are strongly encouraged to apply.

About the National Register

The National Register of Health Service Psychologists is the largest credentialing organization for psychologists. Established in 1974, the independent nonprofit organization is dedicated to improving healthcare by identifying psychologists who meet specific credentialing standards to consumers, healthcare organizations, and regulatory bodies. For more information, visit www.nationalregister.org.