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A WORKSHOP TO DISCUSS LEGISLATION

This article is an invitation to all psychologists to attend a workshop to discuss revisions to The Psychologists' Registration Act. The Workshop will be held on Saturday, April 25, 1981 in the Empress Room of the Park Plaza Hotel at Bloor Street and Avenue Road in Toronto between 9:00 a.m. and 4:00 p.m.

New Legislation to change or replace The Psychologists' Registration Act of 1960 has been under active discussion within the profession for a number of years now. The Board of Examiners has participated in these discussions, particularly in the discussions of a joint committee of representatives of the Ministry of Health, the Ontario Psychological Association, and the Board. At the last meeting of this committee in November, 1980 the Ministry of Health asked the Board of Examiners to prepare specific recommendations for revised legislation. The Legislation Workshop will be an integral part of the process of developing these recommendations.

The Workshop will include discussions of: the goals that a new Act should achieve; the political, legal, and administrative constraints within which a new Act would have to be formulated; and of course, your own views on a new Act. Some of the major issues that need to be discussed include: the use of the title "psychologist"; the structure and responsibilities of the Board; the status of ethical standards used to regulate psychologists' professional practices; and the Board's powers to establish standards of knowledge, skill,

and qualifications for entry to the profession.

To give the discussions substance and direction, the Board is preparing a draft of its proposal which will be mailed to you one or two weeks before the date of the Workshop. The draft is intended to provide a basis for concrete discussion; it is not intended to prevent consideration of options that may not be included in the draft. However, the Board believes that you will find the draft taken as a whole quite comprehensive, and that you should find the majority of the issues that concern you are addressed.

The Board believes that this Workshop will be a critical step in developing new legislation, and it urges you to attend. If you are unable to attend, you are invited to send your written comments. If you can attend, the Board would be grateful if you would complete the enclosed yellow advance registration form so that proper space and facilities can be arranged. A nominal charge of \$10.00 is being made to help in covering expenses.

GERALD M. BLOOM, Ph.D.

It is with deep regret that the Board has learned of the death on February 16, 1981 of Dr. Bloom who for many years was Chief Psychologist at the Ottawa Civic Hospital. Born in 1929 he was one of the first psychologists to be registered by the Board of Examiners and held certificate number 28.

GUIDELINES FOR THERAPY AND COUNSELLING WITH WOMEN

A set of guidelines for therapy and counselling with women were adopted by the Canadian Psychological Association at a meeting of the Board of Directors on October 20, 1980.

The guidelines are helpful to psychologists in providing services to women in that they draw attention to particular issues facing women and possible attitudes in the therapist which must be dealt with if service is to be effective and clinically sound.

Copies of the document may be obtained at a cost of \$2.00 from the CPA office at 558 King Edward Avenue, Ottawa, Ontario K1N 7N6.

AUDITOR'S REPORT

Recently some interest has been expressed in the financial position of the Board of Examiners. In the past, a copy of the auditor's statement has been provided to anyone who requested it. For the information of all registrants the latest statement, for the year ending May 31, 1980 is reprinted on page 5 along with some comparison figures for the preceding year.

For three of the four years since the Board has opened an office and employed full-time staff it has operated with a deficiency of revenue over expenses. The Board was able to operate in this manner by using the surplus accumulated in the preceding sixteen years. However, the surplus was exhausted by the end of May, 1978 and by the end of May, 1979 a deficit of \$35,410 had accumulated. However, by the end of May, 1980 the accumulated deficit was reduced to \$2,583 and it is expected that by May 31, 1981 a modest surplus of revenue over expenses will be realized.

THE KREVER REPORT

The Report of the Commission of Inquiry into the Confidentiality of Health Infor-

mation (in Ontario) was released by the government late in December, 1980. Although it may be some time before there is an official response to the 170 recommendations contained in the Report, they have important implications for the work of psychologists and are of particular interest to the Board of Examiners insofar as the Report deals directly with the substance of the brief submitted to the Commission by the Board in May of 1979.

Considering student health information the Commissioner, Mr. Justice Horace Krever, recommends that consent to release or to share student health information state the period of time during which the consent is valid, the nature of the information to be released, and that "there shall be no further disclosure by the receiving individual or authority without the consent of the parent or of the student if he or she is 16 years of age or more" (Volume 3, pp. 142-3). Furthermore the Report states (in Recommendation 105) that these requirements should apply to a "department of psychological services" and a "psychologist" as well as to a "local public health agency" and a "medical officer of health".

In considering employee health information Mr. Krever recommends "that the responsibility for the storage and control of health information about employees be declared to be that of the health professionals employed by the employer or, if there are none employed, a physician designated by the employer" (Recommendation 117); and further that "the employer not be allowed access to health information about an employee without the consent of the employee concerned" (Recommendation 118).

Employed psychologists will be interested to note that Mr. Krever states "it is highly desirable that legislation be enacted ... to make it clear that the professional employee's duty of confidentiality transcends his or her duty or obedience to the employer's orders" (Volume 3, p.168).

The extracts discussed above deal with only a small segment of this vast Report.

Copies are available for \$24 from the Ontario Government Bookstore at 880 Bay Street, Toronto.

GUIDELINES FOR SUPERVISION OF NON-REGISTERED PERSONNEL

The Board wishes to indicate that in evaluating and applying these Guidelines (published in the last Bulletin) it will adhere to its position that, as psychologists bear the professional responsibility for the work they supervise, they must exercise their own judgment as to the manner in which it is carried out.

Situations may arise in which psychologists will be forced to account for the methods they have used and it is therefore important that they consider them carefully. The Guidelines were intended to assist in this process. The Guidelines set out ways in which supervision can be responsible and can be seen by others to be responsible. The Board acknowledges that variations in supervision can be devised to fit variations in the service setting and working conditions; nevertheless, the Board considers such variations should be accompanied by a rationale setting out the reasons and justification for the particular methods of supervision adopted.

RENEWAL OF REGISTRATION

THE ANNUAL RENEWAL FEE IS PAYABLE ON OR BEFORE MAY 31, 1981. RENEWAL NOTICES WILL BE MAILED LATE IN APRIL BUT THE OFFICE CANNOT GUARANTEE THAT THEY WILL BE RECEIVED. TO AVOID THE LATE FEE OF \$25 PLEASE BE SURE YOUR CHEQUE IS POST-MARKED NO LATER THAN MID-NIGHT ON MAY 31. WE TRUST YOU WILL UNDERSTAND THAT UNDER THE REGULATIONS WE ARE GIVEN NO DISCRETION IN THE MATTER AND ARE REQUIRED TO COLLECT "REINSTATEMENT" FEES FROM PSYCHOLOGISTS WHOSE CHEQUES ARE LATE.

FALL ORAL EXAMINATIONS

The Board was assisted in conducting the oral examination of candidates for registration on two days during November by the following psychologists:

Helen M. Annis, Ph.D., Head, Department of Health Care Development Research, Addiction Research Foundation; Associate Professor, University of Toronto;
Gerald Beckerle, Ph.D., Chief Psychologist, Toronto East General Hospital;
Antony J. Bergering, Ph.D., Assistant Professor, Department of Educational Psychology, Faculty of Education, University of Western Ontario;
Arthur J. Dalton, Ph.D., Director, Behavior Research Program, Surrey Place Centre, Toronto;
Mario R. Faveri, Ph.D., Assistant Director, Addiction Research Foundation, London;
Karen Gilmour-Barrett, Ph.D., Psychologist, Metropolitan Separate School Board, North York Region;
Michael Godkewitsch, Ph.D., Coordinator, Psychological Services and Personnel, Imperial Oil Limited, Toronto;
Nancy Johnston, Ph.D., Assistant Professor, Brock University; Consultant in Psychology, Child Development Centre;
Robert M. Knights, Ph.D., Professor, Carleton University/Children's Hospital of Eastern Ontario;
Alistair W. MacLean, Ph.D., Associate Professor, Department of Psychology, Queen's University;
William T. Melnyk, Ph.D., Professor, Department of Psychology, Lakehead University;
Kjell Rudestam, Ph.D., Department of Psychology, York University;
Carole Sinclair, Ph.D., Assistant Coordinator of Clinical Services, The Dellcrest Children's Centre, Toronto.

PERMANENT REGISTRANTS

The psychologists listed below were approved for admission to the Permanent Register at meetings of the Board on November 28, 1980 and January 13, 1981:

Maria Barrera	Morris Moscovitch
Glenn Bauberger	Sandra Palef
James Bonta	Michael Peters
Wendy Brennan	Barbara Richardson
Denton Buchanan	William Ross
Rakib Buckridan	Donald Rudzinski
Barry Bultz	Elisabeth Saunders
Michael Burger	Bernard Schiff
Harley Burke	Anne Schlieper
Patricia Chartres	Michael Schwartz
Douglas Chute	Hemendra Shah
Mary Dart	Trevor Smith
Patricia DeFeudis	Frances Smyth
Glenn DiPasquale	Michael Spevack
John Gilman	Brian Tansley
Mary Guttman	John Telner
Adrienne Harris	Wayne Thompson
Dennis Kord	Jean Turner
Antoon Leenaars	Jean Walters
Patrick McGrath	Gayle Way
Richard Morris	Elizabeth Werth
Catherine Yarrow	

TEMPORARY REGISTRANTS

The following names have been added to the Temporary Register since November, 1980:

Marilyn Ain	Mona McLean
Gregory Banwell	Edward Meade
Stephen Barker	Rickey Miller
Francisco Barrera	Robert Morgan
Donald Boulet	Ahmad Nashef
Barry Brooker	Deborah Nixon
Andrew Dalrymple	Joan Norris
Larry Gauzas	Thomas O'Hara
Steve Goldband	Miri Peer
Melvyn Goodale	Robert Quilty
Ian Gotlib	Maribeth Ruckman
Anne Green	Linda Sayer
Linda Gruson	Lennard Shangi
Marilyn Hayman	Carole Skinner
Barbara Houldin	Linda Sobell
Nancy Innis	Mark Sobell
Lyn Jansen	Michele Stampf
Nina Josefowitz	Dermot Stewart
Anne Keeton	Duncan Stewart
John Kershner	John Theis
Carol Knox	Mary Tierney
Andy Kukla	Helen Valerio
Jane Ledingham	Victoria Valley
Lynn Lightfoot	Neil Vidmar
Claire Lowry	Dale Willows
Ming-che Yeh	

THE ONTARIO BOARD OF EXAMINERS IN PSYCHOLOGY

STATEMENT OF REVENUE, EXPENSES AND ACCUMULATED (DEFICIT)

For the Year Ended May 31, 1980

(With Comparative Figures for 1979)

	<u>1980</u>	<u>1979</u>
REVENUE:		
Registration Fees	\$ 163 907	\$ 97 060
Examination Fees	19 925	12 675
Interest and Other Income	<u>5 623</u>	<u>2 922</u>
	<u>189 455</u>	<u>112 657</u>
EXPENSES:		
Salaries	68 552	56 448
Examination Costs	19 326	13 152
Travel and Meetings - Board Members	10 850	10 063
Audit	1 403	925
Legal and Investigation Fees	21 266	39 240
Directory and Other Printing Costs	22 484	18 252
Employee Benefit Costs	2 719	2 010
Rent	8 293	5 743
Office Furniture and Equipment	<u>1 735</u>	<u>1 222</u>
	<u>156 628</u>	<u>147 055</u>
Surplus (Deficiency) of Revenue over Expenses	32 827	(34 398)
Accumulated (Deficit) - At Beginning of Year	<u>(35 410)</u>	<u>(1 012)</u>
<u>ACCUMULATED (DEFICIT) - At End of Year</u>	<u>\$ (2 583)</u>	<u>\$ (35 410)</u>