Texas recently held its primaries for a wide range of elective offices, and there are varied activities affecting mental health programs ongoing at the state level. Here is a summary of issues your legislative team is working on:

**Election Report:**
All of the major statewide elected officials on the ballot won their Republican Primary races without a run-off – U.S. Senator Ted Cruz, Governor Greg Abbott, Lt. Governor Dan Patrick, Agriculture Commissioner Sid Miller, Land Commissioner George P. Bush, and Railroad Commissioner Christi Craddick. Attorney General Ken Paxton and Comptroller Glenn Hegar ran unopposed.

On the Democratic side, Beto O’Rourke of El Paso won the Democratic Primary for U.S. Senate and will challenge Cruz in the November General Election. In the Governor’s race, there will be a run-off between former Dallas County Sheriff Lupe Valdez and Andrew White, son of former Governor Mark White. Michael Collier, a CPA from Humble will challenge Lt. Governor Dan Patrick. Joli L. Chevalier, a product manager for Dell Computer is the Democratic nominee for Comptroller and will challenge Hegar in November. Austin attorney Miguel Suazo is the Democratic nominee for the General Land Office and will challenge Bush.

In the Texas Senate, fifteen of thirty-one seats were up for election this cycle. Seven incumbent senators faced challengers in the primaries, and all but one prevailed. Highlights include Sen. Bob Hall retaining his Senate District 2 seat against formidable challenger Rep. Cindy Burkett. Angela Paxton, wife of Ken Paxton, won the big-name showdown for SD 8 against Phillip Huggins, brother of incumbent Sen. Don Huffines, and Sen. Kell Seliger defended SD 31 against two primary challengers, defeating former Midland Mayor Mike Carum and local restaurateur Victor Leal. In SD 30, incumbent Sen. Craig Estes lost his seat to challenger Rep. Pat Fallon.

All 150 Texas House seats are up for re-election. Forty-two incumbents had primary election challenges and all but six won their races. Gov. Greg Abbott invested significant time and money campaigning against Representatives Sarah Davis (HD 134), Lyle Larson (HD 122) and Wayne Faircloth (HD 23). Davis and Larson won their primaries, but Faircloth did not. There is likely to be significant tension between the Governor and some factions of the House, if Davis and Larson go on to win in the general election. The six incumbents defeated in the primary were Faircloth (HD 23), Davenna Dukes (HD 40), Roberton Alonzo (HD 104), Jason Villalba (HD 114), Diana Arevalo (HD 116) and Tomas Uresti (HD 118). Fourteen seats have a runoff, which is scheduled for May 22.

**November Outlook:**
Texas has been a Republican state for decades, and while much has been made of Democratic gains in this cycle to date, it remains to be seen that this will translate into victories in November. The top of the ticket looked pretty strong – Sen. Cruz won 61% of the vote (although O’Rourke continues his strong fundraising), and Gov. Abbott topped 90% in his primary against two underfunded opponents.

Down ballot, however, the picture is murkier. Roughly 25% of GOP voters picked unknown Scott Milder in the Lt. Governor race against incumbent Dan Patrick, who garnered 225,000 fewer votes than Abbott. Moreover, tally up the GOP voters who pulled the lever for Milder and the Democratic votes for nominee Mike Collier and also-ran Michael Cooper, and you’ve got 1.1 million Texans who voted for someone other than Patrick, who received only 1.1 million votes in total.

In the Legislature, incumbent Senators Konnie Burton and Don Huffines have swing districts – Hillary Clinton polled a statistical tie with Donald Trump in Burton’s Bexar County district in 2016, and she defeated Trump in the boundaries of Huffines’ Dallas seat. In this year’s primary, Burton received 2,000 fewer votes than her Democratic challenger, and Huffines was bested by his Democratic opponent by more than 6,000 votes. Meanwhile, six GOP-held House seats saw the Democrat get more votes than the Republican in their respective primaries, and several others were separated by a few hundred votes.

Other seats will see special elections that won’t change the partisan balance but will change the faces in the room. Sen. Sylvia Garcia, D-Houston, won the Democratic nomination for a congressional seat with Reps. Ana Hernandez and Carol Alvarado already vying to replace her.

Furthermore, Sen. Carlos Uresti, D-San Antonio, was convicted on federal charges and is facing millions in fines and years in prison. Rep. Roland Gutierrez is fighting up to pursue the seat, whenever Uresti steps down.

None of this is enough to flip the majority in either chamber – the House would need 21 Democrats to take over, and it would take five in the Senate. However, strong Democratic gains in November could affect the selection of the next House Speaker (Joe Straus is not seeking another term) and an erosion of GOP votes in the Senate (or a new presiding officer, should Patrick be defeated) would certainly alter the Senate’s legislative priorities and/or the votes to enact them.

**Mental Health Activities:**
Meanwhile, mental health-related goings-on continued at full steam. The Statewide Behavioral Health Coordinating Council is busy preparing a coordinated funding proposal, covering the $9 billion in behavioral health funding across all agencies. There is also a behavioral health services inventory analysis underway, and a requirement to submit a progress report for the Statewide Behavioral Health Strategic Plan, which was released in December of 2017.

Last session, Rep. Four Price’s H.B. 13 established the Community Mental Health Grant Program and provided $30 million in state funds over the 2018-19 biennium, to be matched by grantees with local and private funds. Under the first phase, up to $15 million in grant funds will go to 23 local mental health authorities and two local behavioral health authorities located across the state. The resources will fund community programs to expand treatment, promote recovery, and improve quality of life for individuals with mental illness. Examples of expanded treatment and services include adding licensed chemical dependency counselors and peers to mobile crisis outreach teams and establishing drop-in centers for individuals experiencing crisis as an alternative to the emergency room or hospitalization.

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Westin Austin at the Domain Hotel
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Last session, $300 million was appropriated for expansion and renovation of state psychiatric hospitals. The state has already approved expansion of capacity at Kerrville and San Antonio, and 200 new beds will be added to Rusk State Hospital (partly for maximum security). There is also money for planning at Austin State Hospital and San Antonio State Hospital, looking not just at rebuilding buildings, but at how the facilities will work within the system. IHISCS is also looking at hospitals that have closed down, including Texas Youth Commission facilities, but in some cases, like Waco, the cost for conversion has been prohibitive.

There has been a large increase in opioid related deaths in Texas as well as nationally. The state received $27.4 million in federal funding to help address the crisis. Part of the effort includes reviewing data to determine the percentage of mental health patients using opioids. One of the initiatives is combined suicide prevention/opioid prevention. Finding enough providers remains a challenge.

Previously, Texas has relied on narcotic treatment clinics, which have additional regulations and restrictions. Presumably, with office-based opioid treatment, there will be less difficulty with regulation and easier means for establishing treatment facilities. Presently, of the admissions to services, only 14% of patients received evidence-based treatment. Modifying interventions and increasing the use of medications for treatment can cut mortality by half.

The 85th Legislature also passed S.B. 282, which created a grant program for local collaborations with the goals of reducing recidivism, incarceration, and the frequency of arrests among persons with mental illness.
A s winter wanes along with my term as the Texas Society of Psychiatric Physicians President, at times I pause and reflect upon the year in review. In doing so, I certainly agree with others that we live in ‘interesting times’, which seem to be getting progressively more interesting by the day. That being said, I am reminded of how good it is to know that issues related to psychiatry and mental illness are now quite the topic of discussion in many of our communities and I can only hope that the ongoing conversation continues to lead to further improvement in our systems of care in the future. I am also reminded of how good it feels to have friends and colleagues in the Texas Society of Psychiatric Physicians who share this vision and continue to work toward better means of practice for ourselves and our patients.

It has truly been my pleasure to serve in this capacity and I would like to take this opportunity to encourage our membership to register for and attend our upcoming meeting in April in Austin as our membership carries on its commitment to our profession and those we serve.

APRIL 14 MEETING HIGHLIGHTS:
Job Fair and Exhibits All Day Saturday – Job opportunities available throughout the State of Texas and Exhibits on Medical Malpractice / Professional Liability Insurance, Electronic Health Records and Practice Management Software for Psychiatry; New Product Information; Products Covered by Insurance and Texas Medicaid and first FDA approved treatment for Adults with TD; and a special Kendy Scott Jewelry Trunk Show to benefit the Texas Foundation for Psychiatric Education and Research.

State Committee Meetings – Saturday Morning / Afternoon – Complimentary and Open to All Members

Lunch Program – State and Federal Legislative Update on Psychiatry and What Lies Ahead in the Next Legislative Session – Guest Speaker, Saul Levin, MD, APA CEO and Medical Director – Saturday

CME Program and Dinner – Saturday, 2:30-9:00 pm – The Interface Between Psychiatry and Other Medical Specialties –

Differential Diagnosis of Neurocognitive Disorders; Integrated Care Model; Psychiatry and Cardiology; Traumatic Brain Injury and Pituitary Dysfunction; EMT and Pay for Performance; The Opioid Epidemic – Treatment and Prevention.

Installation of Officers for 2018-19 – Joseph Perez, MD (President); Melissa Eschelman, MD (President-Elect); Timothy Wolff, MD (Secretary-Treasurer) – Sunday

Registration and Thank You

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Up to $12.5 million was authorized for the first year and $25 million for FY2019. The first year targets urban areas and the second year expands to rural areas.

These local collaborations must include the county, the local mental health authority serving that county, and the hospital district located in the county (if present). Grants are awarded to the 20 most populous counties according to formula funding based on cases of serious mental illness in the county.

State boards would be distributed on the condition that each local collaborative provides matching funds in a total amount at least equal to the awarded grant amount.

Meetings: The House and Senate are holding a series of meetings on mental health issues throughout the spring. Five different committees are holding eight separate hearings that touch on a range of behavioral health concerns. Among them: the Senate Finance Committee will meet to monitor the state’s progress in coordinating behavioral health services and expenditures across state government; House Appropriations will examine HHS’s efforts to expand Texas’s inpatient psychiatric infrastructure; the House Criminal Justice Committee will assess developments in medical science and legal standards related to the imposition of the death penalty on defendants with serious mental illness; and the House Select Committee on Opioids and Substance Abuse will study the prevalence and impact of substance use and substance use disorders in Texas, including co-occurring mental illness.

Your advocacy team is hard at work on these issues and many others that impact the practice of psychiatry. Please feel free to reach out with any comments or questions. As always, thank you for allowing us to represent your interests at the state Capitol.

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Spring Committee Meetings and Continuing Medical Education Program:
“The Interface Between Psychiatry and Other Medical Specialties”
April 14, 2018 • Westin Austin at the Domain Hotel, Austin, Texas

KENDRA SCOTT JEWELRY TRUNK SHOW TO BENEFIT THE TEXAS FOUNDATION FOR PSYCHIATRIC
EDUCATION & RESEARCH, Saturday, 10:30 am – 12:40 pm, Primrose Foyer, at the Foundation Exhibits Booth. As part of Kendra Scott’s Give Back Program, 20% of all sales will be donated to the Texas Foundation for Psychiatric Education and Research, so shop early and shop often – graduations and Mother’s Day are just around the corner!

MEETING HIGHLIGHTS:
• Special Guest Speaker, Saturday Lunch, Saul Levin, MD, MPA, FRCP-E, CEO and Medical Director, American Psychiatric Association
• TSSP & TAP joint Provider Spring CME Program (6 Hours of Category I CME Credit with 6 of the Hours Designated for Medical Ethics)
• TSSP Committee Meetings – Open to all Members, including Residents and Fellows in Training
• Networking with Colleagues from Around the State of Texas
• Exhibits that offer Business Practice Tools, Malpractice Insurance and Employment Opportunities
• TSSP Government Affairs Committee & Luncheon Program
• Complimentary Refreshments & Reception
• TSSP Executive Council Meeting and Installation of Officers for 2018-19

EXHIBITS:
Complimentary refreshments and snacks will be provided in Primrose Foyer of the Westin Austin at the Domain Hotel for registered attendees. Exhibits will be open throughout the day Saturday to provide you with information designed to enhance your practice and improve the optimal delivery of medical care to your patients. In addition, there will be ‘job fair’ exhibitors who have employment opportunities for Psychiatrists in the State of Texas.

FRIDAY, APRIL 13
4:00 pm – 10:00 pm Temporary Registration Desk – Bluebonnet Foyer
6:00 pm – 7:15 pm Chapter Leadership Forum – Bluebonnet
6:00 pm – 7:30 pm TSSP Executive Committee Meeting – Wine Room
7:30 pm – 9:00 pm Federation Delegate Assembly Meeting – Bluebonnet
8:00 pm – 9:00 pm Resident-Fellow and Medical Student Social Mixer – Wine Room

SATURDAY, APRIL 14
7:00 am – 9:00 pm Registration – Primrose Foyer
7:30 am – 8:45 am Foundation Board of Directors Breakfast Meeting – Verben A B
9:00 am – 9:50 am Continental Breakfast – Primrose Foyer
9:00 am – 10:30 am Council on Leadership Meetings:
Ethics – Camellia A
Distinguished Fellowship – Camellia A
Finance – Plumeria A
Public Mental Health Services – Plumeria B
Professional Practice Management – Plumeria B
Continuing Medical Education – Primrose Foyer

12:30 pm – 12:40 pm Lunch Program (and Council on Advocacy Meeting) – Jungalow

Special Guest Speaker: Saul Levin, MD, MPA, CEO and Medical Director, American Psychiatric Association (APA)

10:30 am – 12:40 pm Kendra Scott Jewelry Trunk Show to Benefit the Texas Foundation for Psychiatric Education and Research – Primrose Foyer

10:50 am – 12:20 pm Council on Service Meetings:
Academic Psychiatry – Camellia A
Child and Adolescent Psychiatry – Camellia B
Forensic Psychiatry – Plumeria A
Public Mental Health Services – Plumeria B

12:40 pm – 1:40 pm Lunch Program (and Council on Advocacy Meeting) – Jungalow

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CME Scientific Program: “The Interface Between Psychiatry and Other Medical Specialties” – Primrose C

1:40 pm – 2:30 pm Differential Diagnosis of Neurocognitive Disorders – Kevin Gray, MD
1:40 pm – 2:30 pm Resident Fellow Member in Training Section – Verben A
1:50 pm – 2:20 pm Break / Visit with Exhibitors – Primrose Foyer

2:30 pm – 3:30 pm Integrated Care Model – Derek W. Neal, MD
3:00 pm – 4:30 pm Traumatic Brain Injury and Pituitary Dysfunction: A Clinical Disease

3:30 pm – 4:30 pm Complementing Fragile and Cognitive Dysfunction – Christine L. Jurney
4:00 pm – 5:00 pm Traumatic Brain Injury and Pituitary Dysfunction: A Clinical Disease

4:30 pm – 5:00 pm Refresher Break / Visit with Exhibitors and Door Prize Drawings – Primrose Foyer
5:45 pm – 5:50 pm Psychiatry and Cardiology – Dustin DeMoss, DO, MS, FAPA
5:50 pm – 6:50 pm Traumatic Brain Injury and Pituitary Dysfunction: A Clinical Disease

6:00 pm – 7:00 pm Refresher Break / Visit with Exhibitors and Door Prize Drawings – Primrose Foyer
7:00 pm – 8:00 pm Dinner and Continuation of CME Program – Primrose Foyer
7:00 pm – 8:00 pm EMR and Pay for Performance – Clifford Moy, MD
8:00 pm – 9:00 pm The Opioid Epidemic, The Story of Opioids, Prometheus Unbound – Anand Mehendale, MD

SUNDAY, APRIL 15
9:00 am – 11:00 am Executive Council Meeting – Jungalow

Continental Breakfast and Installation of Officers for 2018-19 – Bluebonnet Foyer
Texas Society of Psychiatric Physicians and Texas Academy of Psychiatry Joint Provider Scientific Program

Saturday, April 14, 2018 (6 Hours Category 1 Credit)

“The Interface Between Psychiatry and Other Medical Specialties”

SCIENTIFIC PROGRAM

2:30 pm - 3:30 pm Differential Diagnosis of Neurocognitive Disorders – Kevin Gray, MD
Objectives: The learning objectives for this activity have been designed to address clinician competence. Upon conclusion of the activity, participants should be able to:
• Discuss the overlapping symptoms and presentations of neurocognitive and other psychiatric disorders.
• Discuss treatment options for these conditions.

3:30 pm - 4:00 pm Integrated Care Model – Derek W. Neal, MD
Objectives: The learning objectives for this activity have been designed to address clinician competence. Upon conclusion of the activity, participants should be able to:
• Define and describe the integrated care model.
• List some of the advantages of the integrated care model.
• Describe some of the barriers to implementing the integrated care model.

4:00 pm - 4:50 pm Refreshment Break / Visit with Exhibitors and Door Prize Drawings

4:50 pm - 5:50 pm Psychiatry and Cardiology – Dustin DeMoss, DO, MS, FAPA
Objectives: The learning objectives for this activity have been designed to address clinician competence. Upon conclusion of the activity, participants should be able to:
• Describe the current epidemiology of the opioid epidemic in the United States.
• Discuss risk factors for cardiac disease among psychiatric patients.
• Identify potential cardiac side effects of psychiatric medications.

5:50 pm - 6:50 pm Traumatic Brain Injury and Pituitary Dysfunction: A Chronic Disease Presenting with Fatigue and Cognitive Dysfunction – Randall J. Urban, MD
Objectives: The learning objectives for this activity have been designed to address clinician competence. Upon conclusion of the activity, participants should be able to:
• Describe the link between traumatic brain injury and pituitary dysfunction.
• List the overlap between symptoms of primary dysfunction and psychiatric conditions.

6:50 pm - 7:00 pm Refreshment Break

7:00 pm - 8:00 pm Dinner and Continuation of CME Program: EMR and Pay for Performance – Clifford Moy, MD, FAPA
Objectives: The learning objectives for this activity have been designed to address clinician competence. Upon conclusion of the activity, participants should be able to:
• Identify current barriers to care.

8:00 pm - 9:00 pm The Opioid Epidemic, The Story of Opioids, Prometheus Unbound – Anand Mehendale, MD
Objectives: The learning objectives for this activity have been designed to address clinician competence. Upon conclusion of the activity, participants should be able to:
• Describe the current epidemiology of the opioid epidemic in the United States.
• Discuss treatment and prevention of opioid use disorder.
• Identify current barriers to care.

CME PROGRAM GOAL/TARGET AUDIENCE: This live activity has been designed in a lecture format with case examples and panel format followed by an interactive audience question and answer period to provide the primary target audience of Psychiatrists, as well as other specialists in medicine, with the most up-to-date, evidence-based data that can be translated into clinical practice.

The information and data presented will address the professional practice gaps of the learners and advance the physician’s competence and improve their knowledge about the interface between psychiatry and other medical specialties along with ethical concerns regarding pay for performance. The program will address the overlap between cognitive and psychiatric disorders and psychiatric symptoms and cardiac risk for psychiatric patients. Traumatic brain injury (TBI) may result in dysregulation of the hypothalamic-pituitary axis (Pituitary. 2008;11(3):255-61. doi: 10.1007/s11102-008-0102-x). The presentation will address the differential diagnosis of cardiac symptoms and cardiac risk for psychiatric patients. Traumatic brain injury (TBI) may result in dysregulation of the hypothalamic-pituitary axis (Pituitary. 2008;11(3):255-61. doi: 10.1007/s11102-008-0102-x). The presentation will address the differential diagnosis of cardiac symptoms and cardiac risk for psychiatric patients. Traumatic brain injury (TBI) may result in dysregulation of the hypothalamic-pituitary axis (Pituitary. 2008;11(3):255-61. doi: 10.1007/s11102-008-0102-x).

OBJECTIVES: The learning objectives for this activity have been designed to address clinician competence and are listed under each presentation.

ACCREDITATION STATEMENT: This activity has been planned and implemented in accordance with the accreditation requirements and policies of the Texas Medical Association (TMA) through the joint sponsorship of the Texas Society of Psychiatric Physicians and the Texas Academy of Psychiatry. The Texas Society of Psychiatric Physicians is accredited by ACCME to provide continuing medical education for physicians.

CREDIT STATEMENT: The Texas Society of Psychiatric Physicians designates this Live Activity for a maximum of six (6) AMA PRA Category 1 Credits™. Physicians should claim only the credits commensurate with the extent of their participation in the activity.

ETHICS DESIGNATION STATEMENT: The presentation “EMR and Pay for Performance” was designated by the Texas Society of Psychiatric Physicians for one (1) credit of education in medical ethics and/or professional responsibility.

FACULTY AND PLANNERS DISCLOSURE POLICY: In compliance with the ACCME/AMA Standards for Commercial Support of CME, to assure balance, independence, objectivity and scientific rigor in all of its CME activities, prior to the education activity being delivered to the learners, the TSP identified professional practice gaps in medical specialties, with the most up-to-date, evidence-based data that can be translated into clinical practice.


Disclosures will occur prior to the presentation through written communication in the syllabus / handout materials.

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Committees will meet twice in FY 2018-2019 in November 2018 and April 2019. If you have any questions please do not hesitate to contact our office via email tsppofc@aol.com or telephone 512-478-0605.

Debbie Giarratano
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COMMITTEE CHARGES 2018-19

COUNCIL ON ADVOCACY

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NOMINATING: To recommend a slate of officers to the membership at the annual meeting as per Chapter VI, Section VI of the TSSP Bylaws; to screen nominations for the Distinguished Service Award, the Special Service Award, and the Psychiatric Excellence Award and other awards approved by the Executive Council, and to make recommendations in regard to these matters to the Executive Council.

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FINANCE: To prepare an annual operating budget, taking into account previous years’ income and expenses, and requests from individual committees and other components; to review requests from members regarding dues adjustments and recommend appropriate actions to the Executive Council; to oversee and advise on investment strategies for reserve funds; to present financial statements; to make recommendations to the Executive Council and the membership as to the financial needs of the Society; and to develop strategies to recruit and retain members.

NOMINATING: To recommend a slate of officers to the membership at the annual meeting as per Chapter VI, Section VI of the TSSP Bylaws; to screen nominations for the Distinguished Service Award, the Special Service Award, and the Psychiatric Excellence Award and other awards approved by the Executive Council, and to make recommendations in regard to these matters to the Executive Council.
TSCAP Annual Convention & Scientific Program
“Update in Child and Adolescent Psychiatric Care: Challenges and Innovations in Practice”
JULY 27-29, 2018 - Moody Gardens Hotel, Galveston, Texas

GENERAL INFORMATION
MEETING LOCATION
TSCAP’s Annual Convention and Scientific Program will be held at the Moody Gardens Hotel and Spa, Seven Hope Blvd., in Galveston. Surrounded by 242 acres of lush tropical garden landscaping and majestic pyramids, Moody Gardens Hotel, Spa and Convention Center is Galveston Island’s premier meeting destination. Moody Gardens features:
• Full Service Spa and Fitness Center
• Aquarium Pyramid
• Rainforest Pyramid
• Discovery Museum
• 3D and 4D Theaters
• Colonel Paddlewheel Boat
• Rope Course and Zip Line
• Palm Beach Waterpark

In addition, Galveston Island offers:
• Schlitterbahn Waterpark
• Galveston Island Historic Pleasure Pier

OPENING WELCOME RECEPTION WITH EXHIBITORS
Make plans to attend the complimentary Welcome Reception with Exhibitors on Friday evening, 6:30 pm-8:30 pm, in the Moody 1 Ballroom, Moody Gardens Hotel. Visit throughout the evening with your friends, colleagues and exhibitors in a fun-filled, relaxing atmosphere and complete your entry for the special door prize drawings to be awarded on Saturday!

ASK THE EXPERT BOOTH
Dr. Christopher Thomas will be available during the refreshment breaks on Saturday at the ‘Ask the Expert Booth’ in the Exhibit Hall to answer questions you may have about Maintenance of Certification.

HOTEL RESERVATIONS / PARKING
Special TSCAP discounted room rates of $199 are available to program registrants: BEFORE JULY 4 or upon sell-out, whichever occurs first. Make your hotel reservation today by calling 1-888-388-8844 or visit www.tbspsych.org and click on the link on the in the TSCAP Program information, or paste the following link in your browser: https://res.windstreamcc.com/lib/detail.aspx?propertyid=141798&nt=1&checkin=07-27-2018& gropu=TSCAP718
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Valet Parking $20.00 for overnight

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REGISTRATION

NAME (PLEASE PRINT)
ADDRESS, CITY
STATE
ZIP
PHONE NUMBER
E-MAIL

NAME(s)/Guest(s) Attending

SCIENTIFIC PROGRAM REGISTRATION (includes scientific program, Saturday lunch during resident case presentations, registration & Saturday refreshment break)

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**Saturday, July 28**

**7:40 am - 4:30 pm** Registration  
Moody Gardens Ballroom Foyer  
**Moodly**

**7:30 am - 8:30 am** Continental Breakfast with Exhibitors  
Moody Gardens Ballroom Foyer  
**Moodly**

**8:00 am - 8:30 am** Scientific Program  
Moody Gardens Ballroom Foyer  
**Moodly II**

**8:30 am - 9:30 am** Welcome & Opening Remarks  
Moody Gardens Ballroom Foyer  
**Moodly**

**9:15 am - 10:15 am** Technology Applications  
**Moodly**

**10:15 am - 10:30 am** Refreshment Break  
South Ballroom Foyer  
**Moodly**

**10:30 am - 11:30 am** Challenges and Advocacy for Children of Military Services  
Sharette Kirsten Gray, MD, FAPA  
**Moodly**

**11:30 am - 12:30 pm** ETHICS: Use of Genetic Testing in the Practice of Child Psychiatry  
Moira Wertheimer, Esq., RN, CHPM, FASHRM  
**Moodly**

**12:00 pm - 1:00 pm** Lunch  
**Moodly**

**1:10 pm - 1:30 pm** Refreshment Break and Door Prizes Drawings  
**Moodly**

**1:30 pm - 2:30 pm** Advanced Nurse Practitioners and Their Role in the Practice of Child Psychiatry  
Jane A. Ripperger-Suhler, MD  
**Moodly**

**2:30 pm - 3:30 pm** Risks and Benefits of Commonly Used Complementary and Alternative Treatments with Patients  
Steven R. Pliuzka, MD  
**Moodly**

**3:45 pm - 4:45 pm** Audiovisual Presentations, Direct Discussion and Case Study  
**Moodly**

**4:45 pm - 5:30 pm** Exhibit Set-Up  
**Moodly**

**5:30 pm - 6:30 pm** Exhibit Teardown / Depart  
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**6:30 pm - 8:30 pm** Welcome Reception with Exhibitors  
**Moodly**

**7:00 am - 4:30 am** Registration  
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**7:45 am - 8:45 am** TSCAP Annual Business Meeting and Breakfast  
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**Sunday, July 29**

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APRIL

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Texas Academy of Psychiatry
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Westin Austin at the Domain Hotel, Austin, Texas
Reservations: TSPP discounted room rate of $179 single/double
Available until March 22 or upon sell out whichever occurs first
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For additional information: www.txpsych.org
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MAY

18-19  Texas Medical Association ‘TEXMED’
Section on Psychiatry Program
JW Marriott Hill Country Resort, San Antonio, Texas
Reservations: TMA room rate $239 plus $20 discounted resort fee
until May 1 or until room block is full.
For additional information: www.texmed.org

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