Galveston has risen, dried off, and is ready to host TSPP’s 53rd Annual Convention and Scientific Program. It will be held at the Moody Gardens Hotel and Resort from November 13 through November 15. I want to encourage everyone to attend and support TSPP and the Federation. The theme this year will be “Clinical Updates for Implementing Change in your Clinical Practice.” We will offer ten hours of category 1 CME, including 2 hours of Ethics CME credits. As usual, TSPP committees will conduct business on Friday, and there will also be a special program for Residents on exiting residency and establishing a practice. This year we will join with the Titus Harris Society and co-host a reunion reception for their Society and for TSPP members on Friday, November 13. This gives us all an opportunity to network and to catch up with colleagues from near and far.

Saturday brings the formal educational scientific meeting and our CME Committee has designed it to meet current needs in our clinical practices. The day will begin with a review, given by Dr. Robert Hirschfeld, on an “Update on the Diagnosis and Treatment of Bipolar Diagnosis in Adults.” This will be followed by Dr. Karen Wagner presenting an “Update on the Diagnosis and Treatment of Bipolar Disorder in Adolescents.” After the annual business meeting, we will have a presentation from the Psychiatry Resident winner of our MIT scientific paper competition. The afternoon will continue with a presentation from Dr. Philip Becker. He will discuss “Sleep and Psychiatric Disorders: Evidence Based Practice.”

Of course, Saturday evening is always reserved for our annual awards ceremony where we honor our own. Dr. J. Clay Sawyer, of Waco, will receive the Distinguished Service Award for his years of service to TSPP and the field of psychiatric medicine. Dr. R. Andrew Harper, of Houston, will receive the Psychiatric Excellence Award for his outstanding abilities and service as an educator, clinician, and medical administrator. Finally, Dr. James E. Kreisle, of Austin, will receive the Psychiatric Excellence Award for his service and clinical contributions to psychiatry.

On Sunday, our scientific meeting continues with two presentations. Dr. Randall Urban will deliver the first. He will discuss “Essentials of the Evaluation and Treatment of Diabetes: What Every Psychiatrist Should Know and Use in Practice.” This topic has obviously become part of our everyday concern in treating patients with newer generations of medications and concerns over metabolic syndrome risks. Dr. Manisha Chandhali will discuss the “Essentials of the Evaluation and Treatment of Diabetes.”

The final presentation on Sunday gives us all the two hours of Ethics CME credit we need for our Texas medical license renewals. This will be a panel discussion and presentation on “Effective Appraisal of the Medical Literature—Using Understanding of Study Design, Levels of Evidence, and Conflicts of Interest in Clinical Decision-Making.” This is an important issue as we critically assess studies presented to us in publications and brought to our offices by pharmaceutical representatives. It is essential as we evaluate the evidence of “evidence-based” medicine initiatives. Plus, we get two hours of ethics credit!

Please make every effort to register early and attend our annual scientific meeting. It supports TSPP as an organization and brings colleagues together providing opportunities for fellowship and network. It is a time when new physicians and graduating Residents can meet colleagues from all over the State and develop new contacts and mentors as they begin new careers. The meeting is also a time when we honor our own for their distinguished accomplishments. Galveston and the Moody Gardens Hotel and Resort are renewed and ready to host our membership. This will definitely be a family weekend with activities available for all. I look forward to seeing everyone in Galveston in November.
The Foundation’s Annual Campaign Goals

- A major focus of the Foundation is to support the Foundation’s goals of fighting stigma and discrimination; ensuring that patients have access to quality psychiatric care; and improving treatment through innovative research.

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- Strictions charitable contributions to be allocated by the Foundation to programs in Texas that address the Foundation’s goals of fighting stigma and discrimination against persons diagnosed with psychiatric disorders; ensuring that patients have access to quality psychiatric care; and improving treatment through innovative research.

The Foundation’s Grants

The Foundation during its 18 years of operation has awarded 102 grants amounting to $174,446 to support programs addressing its goals by various Texas organizations. Historically, about 90% of funds contributed to the Foundation have been available to directly support programs in Texas, as the Foundation’s administrative costs consist of only about 10% of expenditures.

The Foundation’s Annual Campaign 2009 offers a unique opportunity for psychiatrists and others to allocate their charitable contributions to an organization led by psychiatrists and mental health advocates who make decisions regarding the funding of programs that address the Foundation’s goals.

Will you participate in this opportunity to help people diagnosed with psychiatric illnesses? Send your charitable donation today to: Texas Foundation for Psychiatric Education and Research, 401 West 15th Street, Suite 675, Austin, Texas 78701.
On July 24-26, 2009, the Texas Society of Child and Adolescent Psychiatry (TSCAP) convened at the Omni Hotel in Fort Worth, Texas for one of the most successful annual meetings and scientific programs in the history of this organization. This was evident by a record number of physician registrants for the conference and by a program which featured multiple high quality presentations.

On Saturday, July 25, 2009 we were very fortunate to have Melissa P. DellBello, MD MS from the University of Cincinnati College of Medicine, Cincinnati, Ohio kick off the day as our keynote speaker with a lecture entitled “Neuroimaging of Bipolar Disorder in Children and Adolescents: New Frontiers.” Dr. DellBello reviewed the latest cutting edge research in structural neuroimaging, diffusion tensor imaging (DTI), functional magnetic resonance imaging (fMRI), and magnetic resonances spectroscopy (MRS). She provided a practical framework for understanding what these neuroimaging modalities are used for, how these tools work, and the clinical relevance of recent neuroimaging data in children and adolescents with bipolar disorder. This was followed by another excellent presentation “Update on Medication Treatments for Bipolar Disorder in Children” by Beren L. Olivera, MD, MPH from the University of Texas Health Science Center at San Antonio, Texas. Dr. Olivera’s extensive experience as a researcher and clinician made this particularly valuable as he discussed the challenges of utilizing evidence based approaches for the psychopharmacological treatment of bipolar disorder in children and adolescents. The day continued with a working lunch and case presentation from Neeshah Desai, MD, a child and adolescent psychiatry fellow from UT Southwestern Medical Center Dallas and faculty discussant, Kirti Soema, MD also from UT Southwestern Medical Center Dallas. This case involved a youngster with bipolar disorder who had a complex treatment history including adverse responses to SSRIs. A lively discussion highlighted the importance of biopsychosocial treatment planning and the many inherent challenges of pharmacologically addressing depressive symptomatology in this population. The first day of the scientific program concluded with Monica Ramirez Basco, PhD from UT Arlington and UT Southwestern plans for speakers include Oscar Bukstein, MD from the University of Pittsburgh and Monica Ramirez Basco, PhD Medical Center Dallas, an expert in treatment planning for children and adolescents with Bipolar Disorder who has written and studied the role of pharmacological interventions in children under 16 years of age.”

On Sunday, the final day of the scientific program, Glenn D. Urbach, from the Depression Bipolar Support Alliance (DBSA) of Greater Houston, discussed the “Role of the Advocacy Organization in Depression and Bipolar Support in Texas.” This was an information rich yet practical discussion on how to access advocacy support groups and local resources to maximize functioning, quality of life, and relapse prevention for patients with mood disorders and other serious mental illnesses. The program concluded on Sunday with an ethics panel discussion entitled, “The Impact of Pharmacetical Research and Manufacturers of America (PhRMA) Code on our Clinical Practice.” John Z. Sadler, MD, the Daniel W. Foster Professor of Medical Ethics and Professor of Psychiatry and Clinical Sciences from UT Southwestern Medical Center Dallas, reviewed the background, complex ethical issues, and notable changes in the PhRMA code. Pedro L. Delgado, MD, the Dielmann Professor and Chairman of the Department of Psychiatry and Associate Dean for Faculty Development and Professionalism, School of Medicine, University of Texas Health Science Center at San Antonio, focused on the history of public concern regarding scientific misconduct in psychiatry and proactive approaches to managing conflict of interest and restoring public trust to our profession.

During this July, 2009 meeting the TSCAP Executive Committee also had a productive session. One important focus dealt with a systematic, comprehensive response to HB 2163 (H. Turner/C. Hrostiak) to ensure our organization advocates for the well being of all children and adolescents in Texas. This bill tasks the Health and Human Services Commission with conducting a study to determine “the appropriateness and safety of providing antipsychotics and neuroleptic medication through the Medicaid vendor program to children under 16 years of age.” TSCAP will be very active in monitoring this study through Steve Bresnen, lobbyist for the Federation of Texas Psychiatry. The committee would also like to give a special thanks to Patrick Holden, MD who continues to carefully review and update TSCAP’s bylaws.

Finally, the TSCAP Executive Committee laid a foundation for next year’s annual meeting and scientific program entitled, “Addressing Substance Abuse in Child and Adolescent Psychiatry: Prevention, Diagnosis and Treatment,” which will be held at Moody Gardens Hotel, Galveston, Texas from July 24 to July 25, 2010. Current plans for speakers include Oscar Bukstein, MD from the University of Pittsburgh Medical Center and our very own Steven Fliska, MD from the University of Texas Health Science Center at San Antonio. The ethics seminar next summer will focus on interactions with impaired providers and colleagues. Please, mark your calendars and plan on joining us for this exciting meeting in Galveston. Substance use disorders often originate early in life but present pervasive problems for our patients throughout their lifecycles and challenges for all mental health clinicians. Therefore, TSCAP extends a warm invitation to all TSPP and Academy members and clinicians in Texas to take part in this upcoming annual meeting.

In closing I would like to express gratitude to all the speakers, planners, and those who attended TSCAP’s 2009 Annual Meeting and Scientific Program. I am delighted to have the opportunity to serve you and TSCAP this year as President. We are all very fortunate to have a heartily organized psychiatry presence in Texas through TSPP, the Federation of Texas Psychiatry, the Texas Academy of Psychiatry, and the Texas Society of Child and Adolescent Psychiatry. This provides immense benefits in advocacy for our patients, advancing our profession, maximizing the quality of psychiatric care in Texas, and fellowship. Please get and stay involved to ensure the health of these organizations. This can involve simply joining, attending annual meetings, staying in touch with state leadership regarding your concerns, serving on committees, advocacy, and serving in a leadership capacity.
# Program at a Glance

## Thursday, November 12
- **12:00 pm** Golf Outing at Moody Gardens Golf Course
- **7:30 pm** Federation Delegate Assembly Reception & Meeting

## Friday, November 13
- **7:30 am - 7:00 pm** Registration Open
- **7:30 am - 9:00 am** Foundation Board of Directors Breakfast Meeting
- **8:00 am - 5:00 pm** Committee Meetings
  - **Committee Meeting Hospitality Break**
  - **SPONSORED BY PADRE BEHAVIORAL HOSPITAL**
- **12:00 pm - 5:00 pm** Exhibit Set-Up
- **12:00 pm - 1:30 pm** Membership Luncheon / Program
  - **SPONSORED BY POLYCOM**
- **3:30 pm - 5:30 pm** MIT / ICP Program – “Establishing a Medical Practice”
- **5:00 pm - 6:30 pm** Executive Council Meeting
- **6:00 pm - 8:00 pm** Titus Harris Society Reunion Reception
- **6:00 pm - 8:00 pm** Welcome Reception with Exhibitors
  - **SPONSORED BY TEXAS FOUNDATION FOR PSYCHIATRIC EDUCATION AND RESEARCH**

## Saturday, November 14
- **7:00 am - 7:45 am** Complimentary Continental Breakfast for Meeting Registrants
- **7:00 am - 7:00 pm** Registration Open
- **7:30 am - 5:00 pm** Exhibits
- **8:15 am - 4:45 pm** Scientific Program
- **10:15 am - 10:30 am** Refreshment Break with Exhibitors / Door Prize
- **12:00 pm - 1:30 pm** Annual Business Meeting Lunch
- **2:30 pm - 2:45 pm** Break
- **5:00 pm - 6:30 pm** TSCAP Executive Committee Meeting
- **6:30 pm - 7:00 pm** Awards Banquet Reception
- **7:00 pm** Awards Banquet

## Sunday, November 15
- **8:15 am - 12:45 pm** Scientific Program
- **10:30 am - 10:45 am** Break

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**MEETING REGISTRATION**

See Registration Form or visit the website www.txpsych.org for TSPP / TAP’s Special Discounted Meeting Registration Fees for this year’s convention. The earlier you register, the greater the savings!

**HOTEL RESERVATIONS**

ALL MEMBERS AND NON-MEMBERS ARE INVITED TO JOIN US! TSPP’s 53rd Annual Convention and Scientific Program will be held at the Moody Gardens Resort and Spa, Seven Hope Blvd., Galveston, 1-800-582-4673. A special TSPP discounted room rate of $142 is available to TSPP program registrants before October 21, 2009 or upon sell-out whichever occurs first. Make your hotel reservation today by calling 1-888-388-8484.

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- IMAX RideFilm Theater – Strap yourself in as the dive, twist and turn as your seat mirrors every movement on a giant wrap-around screen with six-channel surround sound.
- AND, special activities for you during convention time! Festival of Lights – One of the Gulf Coast’s largest holiday lighting events at Moody Gardens!

**THURSDAY GOLF OUTING**

Polish up on your golf game!! For those convention attendees, guests and golf enthusiasts arriving early, TSPP members are arranging a tee time for a group play. If you are interested in playing, please be sure to check the Golf section of the TSPP registration form.

**TITUS HARRIS SOCIETY**

All members of the Titus Harris Society are invited to a special Reunion Reception to be held in conjunction with the TSPP Welcome Reception, Friday, 6:00 - 8:00 pm at the Moody Gardens Hotel. In addition, TSPP extends a special invitation to the Titus Harris Society members to extend their weekend stay and attend the CME program and other social activities. Titus Harris Society members will be identified by special ribbons on their convention name badges. (See program registration form for additional information)

**AWARDS RECEPTION/BANQUET**

Saturday evening’s festivities begin with a complimentary wine and cheese reception before the Awards Banquet honoring the 2009 TSPP Award Recipients for their outstanding contributions to Psychiatry. Register early to reserve a table for your organization and friends at this memorable and entertaining evening! This year’s honorees include:

- **Distinguished Service Award**
  - J. Clay Sawyer, M.D. – Waco
- **Psychiatric Excellence Award**
  - R. Andrew Harper, M.D. – Houston
  - James E. Kreisle, M.D. – Austin

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8:45 am - 10:15 am Update on the Diagnosis and Treatment of Bipolar Disorder in Adults
Robert Hirschfeld, M.D.
Objectives: Upon completion of this presentation, participants will be able to demonstrate improved competence in diagnosis of bipolar disorder in adults.

10:15 am - 10:30 am Refreshment Break with Exhibitors / Door Prize Drawings

10:30 am - 12:00 pm Update on the Diagnosis and Treatment of Bipolar Disorder in Adolescents
Karen Dineen Wagner, M.D., Ph.D.
Objectives: Upon completion of this presentation, participants will be able to demonstrate improved competence in diagnosis of bipolar in adolescents.

12:00 pm - 1:30 pm Annual Business Meeting Lunch

1:30 pm - 2:30 pm Resident Paper Competition Winning Paper To Be Determined

2:30 pm - 2:45 pm Break

2:45 pm - 4:45 pm Sleep and Psychiatric Disorders: Evidence Based Practice
Philip M. Becker, M.D.
Objectives: Upon completion of this presentation, participants will be able to demonstrate improved competence in the assessment of sleep disorders and the appropriate prescription of sedative medications.

Sunday, November 15
8:15 am Welcome and Introductions
8:30 am - 9:30 am Essentials of the Evaluation and Treatment of Thyroid Disorders: What Every Psychiatrist Should Know and Use in Practice
Randall J. Urban, M.D.
Objectives: Upon completion of this presentation, participants will be able to demonstrate improved competence in appropriate screening and referral of psychiatric patients with suspected hypothyroidism and hyperthyroidism.

9:30 am - 10:30 am Essentials of the Evaluation and Treatment of Diabetes: What Every Psychiatrist Should Know and Use in Practice
Manisha S. Chandalia, M.D.
Objectives: Upon completion of this presentation, participants will be able to demonstrate improved competence in appropriate screening and referral of psychiatric patients with suspected diabetes, hypothyroidism, and hypertension.

10:30 am - 10:45 am Break

10:45 am - 12:45 pm Effective Appraisal of the Medical Literature - Using understanding of study design, levels of evidence, and conflict of interest in clinical decision-making.
Panel: Pedro L. Delgado, M.D., Mauricio Tohen, M.D., Dr.Ph., MBA
Objectives: Upon completion of this presentation, participants will be able to demonstrate ability to effectively use the medical literature to make appropriate decisions to optimize patient outcomes.

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Spotlight on our Residency Training Programs:

**UT Southwestern Medical Center, Child and Adolescent Psychiatry Fellowship**

The Child and Adolescent Psychiatry Fellowship Program is an integral part of the University Texas Southwestern Medical School, Children's Medical Center in Dallas, and the Dallas psychiatric community.

The mission of our program is to develop child and adolescent psychiatrists with broad clinical and professional competence. We place great emphasis on developmental factors, both biopsychosocial, and psychodynamic. Fellows also receive training in environmental factors, such as cross-cultural issues, family systems, and ethical concepts. The program offers extensive didactic and clinical training in psychodynamics.

We are one of a small number of sites able to offer cognitive and behavioral therapy research support. The division of Child and Adolescent Psychiatry has recently been awarded one of eight NIMH funded sites in the U.S. These Research Units for Pediatric Psychopharmacology and Psychosocial Interventions reflect the field's recognition of our faculty as world leaders in psychopharmacology and psychosocial interventions. Faculty research interests include mood disorders, anxiety disorders, sleep disorders, eating disorders, and developmental disorders. Research opportunities in clinical and basic science are available for all fellows. Fellows are encouraged to participate in these trials or develop research of their own.

Graduates of the University of Texas Southwestern Child and Adolescent Psychiatry program have entered private practice, research, faculty positions, inpatient and outpatient medical directorships (in both the public and private sector), and Psychoanalytic Training. UT Southwestern Medical Center at Dallas is the sponsoring institution for the Child and Adolescent Psychiatry Fellowship. UT Southwestern is internationally recognized for its strong clinical, research, and educational excellence. Outstanding faculty members include 4 Nobel Laureates - more than any other medical school in the world - 15 members of the National Academy of Sciences, 15 members of the Institute of Medicine, 12 members of the American Academy of Arts and Sciences, and 40 presidents of national research and clinical specialty organizations. Child Psychiatry faculty and staff are board members, presidents and chairs of state, national and multi-national organizations.

All clinical rotations in the first year of the fellowship occur at Children's Medical Center Dallas. It is the only academic healthcare facility in North Texas dedicated exclusively to the comprehensive care of children from birth to age 18. Fellows complete rotations in the Day Treatment Program, Consult / Liaison Service, and Outpatient Psychiatry Clinic. Fellows also complete a full 4 month rotation in Inpatient Psychiatry. Children's Medical Center is the only hospital in Texas that offers inpatient services to children under the age of 4. Many psychiatry fellowship members have been published in national journals, including the Journal for the American Academy of Child and Adolescent Psychiatry and have presented new findings in bipolar disorder, innovations in treatment of ADHD, MDD, and eating disorders. Consult / Liaison faculty have presented a paper at a national meeting tracking quality assurance practices to enhance fellow learning.

The Children's Medical Center pediatric healthcare system devotes itself solely to caring for the complex medical needs of children. The hospital is ranked among the nation's top 10 hospitals by U.S. News & World Report, and its nursing services rank in the top 5 percent of the nation's hospitals for nursing excellence. Children's is the state's only pediatric hospital with Level 1 Trauma status and one of only 15 in the United States able to care for severe traumatic injuries in children. Through its academic affiliation with UT Southwestern Medical Center, Children's medical staff conduct research that is instrumental in developing treatments, therapies, and greater understanding of pediatric diseases. The hospital trains more than 200 pediatric residents and fellows annually. Children's is the eighth largest pediatric healthcare provider in the country with 481 licensed beds, two full-service campuses and 10 outpatient sites.

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The Federation of Texas Psychiatry has invited each Residency Training Program in Texas to submit an article about their program for publication in the Texas Psychiatrist. Residency training programs should submit their articles in hard copy or electronic format to the Federation of Texas Psychiatry, 401 West 15th, Suite 675, Austin, Texas 78701.

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Has Your Training Program Qualified for the APA 100% Club Yet?

The APA membership department mailed out a member recruitment packet at the end of June to all of the U.S. and Canadian general psychiatry residency training programs. The packet included Member-in-Training membership brochure/applications and information on the benefits of joining the APA 100% Club.

The APA 100% Club was established to encourage residents throughout the United States and Canada to join APA and to do so with other trainees in their programs. 100% Club members receive special recognition from the APA, including a major textbook of their choice from American Psychiatric Publishing, Inc. (APPi), the training program receives a recognition plaque and is featured in Psychiatric News with a residency group photo, and each resident receives a free online subscription to FOCUS and the annual FOCUS Self-Assessment examination.

In order to qualify for 100% Club Membership, the training program will need to enroll all of its residents in APA membership and also have current residents renew their memberships no later than October 31, 2009. (Please note that 2009 membership dues for renewing members must be paid by October 31st or their memberships will be dropped, which would disqualify the training program from 100% Club membership.) If you have any questions, please contact Louise Martin with the Membership Development Department of APA at lmartin@psych.org or 888-357-7924, ext. 7367.
What can we do to bring more Texas psychiatrists into the fold of the Texas Academy of Psychiatry? Last July, I had an opportunity to give a commencement speech at a gathering of young psychiatric residents and child fellows, their teachers, and their families. I found myself thinking about my own experiences at such important occasions in the past. My eighth grade graduation from a small parochial school in Bellaire, Texas, called Holy Ghost School, came to mind. Like a ghost, Sister Edith, the speaker at our graduation, loomed in front of me. She had a booming, authoritative voice. Her speech prepared us for becoming freshmen in the school ahead of us – High School! We all listened intently. She helped us move on. The next teacher who came to my mind was a dynamo from medical school days at the University of Texas Medical Branch in Galveston. Dr. Raymond Blount was someone who one listened to with intensity and feeling. To catch our inattention in lectures, he would flash “Playboy Bunnies” on the screen during anatomy lectures. On occasions, he would shout expletives when his students tossed “hot” coins down to his lectern. He used the money to add to his vast collection of anatomical specimens. He would frighten us with his exhortations, “Look to your left! Look to your right! Some of those people will not be at UTMB next year!” You are absolutely right if you think that Dr. Blount got most of us to pay attention and really listen. I was aware that some of his antics were considered sexist and obnoxious to the minority of women in my class, but we all learned to listen!

I bet most of my readers are wondering why I am writing about Sister Edith and Dr. Raymond Blount. Why? Well, it is because I am hoping that those of you who read this will listen to my plea to join our organization, the Texas Academy of Psychiatry. We are all under the umbrella of the Federation of Texas Psychiatry, an organization of organizations which includes the Texas Society of Psychiatric Physicians, the Texas Society of Child and Adolescent Psychiatry, the Texas Foundation for Psychiatric Education and Research, the Texas Osteopathic Medical Association, and the Texas Medical Association. Please, if you have any questions about the Academy, do not hesitate to call, email (txPsychiatry@aol.com), or snail-mail me at the Academy.

MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION

I am applying for membership in the Texas Academy of Psychiatry (Academy), as follows:

- **Member-in-Training:** I am a physician in a psychiatric residency training program approved by the Residency Review Committee for Psychiatry of the Accreditation Council for Graduate Medical Education, the Royal College of Physicians and Surgeons of Canada, or the American Osteopathic Association. Annual Dues: $70 first year, $50.00 thereafter.
- **General Membership:** I am a physician who has completed acceptable psychiatry training (as approved by the Residency Review Committee for Psychiatry of the Accreditation Council for Graduate Medical Education or the American Osteopathic Association) and I have a valid license to practice medicine or I have an academic, research or governmental position that does not require licensure. Annual Dues: $250 first year, $393.00 thereafter.
- **Fellow:** I am a physician who has received the designation of Fellow or Distinguished Fellow from the American Psychiatric Association (APA). Year ______________ Annual Dues: $250 first year, $395.00 thereafter.
- **Retired:** I am a physician who has fully retired from the practice of medicine. Year ______________ Annual Dues: $150 first year, $156.00 thereafter.
- **Associate Membership:** I am a physician who is currently a member in good standing with the Texas Society of Psychiatric Physicians (TSPP), a District Branch of the American Psychiatric Association. Annual Dues: $25.00.

1. CONTACT INFORMATION

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2. DEMOGRAPHIC DATA

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- **Birthdate:** / /
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3. LICENSURE AND TRAINING

Are you licensed to practice medicine in Texas by the Texas Medical Board? Yes / No Other:

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