

Standards Committee

Report to the Annual General Meeting of the Psychological Association of Manitoba April 27, 2011

The Standards Committee reviewed only one concern during the past year. A P.A.M. Member raised concern about improper use of the words “Psychological Assessment” in a report by a person who held a doctoral degree in psychology but who was not registered with the Psychological Association of Manitoba. A letter was sent to this person advising that use of the words contravened the Psychologists Registration Act, and demanding that there be no further inappropriate use of terms and titles referred to in Section 11(1) of the Act in describing the services provided.

Final touches are being put on a first draft of a Code of Conduct document for P.A.M.. We look forward to seeking feedback from P.A.M. members and others before long about the draft.

P.A.M.'s Continuing Education Committee did not complete an audit of continuing education claims by the P.A.M. membership this year, given heavy demands on the schedule of Dr. Jane Bow, Chair of the CE subcommittee. Dr. Bow and I have been looking into ways in which others can assist her with some of the many administrative tasks required in the audit. We can now commit to resuming the audit of Continuing Education activities (from the reports of approximately 10% of our membership).

This is my first report to the P.A.M. AGM as Chair of the Standards Committee. I write on behalf of Gary Shady, Ph.D., C.Psych., as well as the Chairs and Members of the Continuing Education and Jurisprudence Examination subcommittees of Standards: Drs. Jane Bow, Don Stewart, Hal Wallbridge, Lesley Graff, and Alan Slusky and thank them for their work.

Respectfully submitted,
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