

EXAMINATIONS 2009 – 2010

The mandate of the P.A.M. Committee on Oral Examinations is to arrange, conduct and report on the outcome of oral examinations for those individuals seeking registration for independent practice in psychology in Manitoba. In addition, the Committee is charged with arranging, conducting and reporting on oral interviews for those individuals registered to independently practice psychology in other jurisdictions, who are seeking to practice in Manitoba under the terms of the Mutual Recognition Agreements (MRAs).

During the 2009 calendar year, the Oral Examinations Committee was busy, with six regular oral examinations and two MRA interviews taking place. Moving into 2010, three oral exams and one MRA interview have already taken place, with others anticipated to take place later in the spring.

I would like to thank the following individuals who have provided excellent service to the Committee by serving as oral examiners during 2009 and early 2010: Drs. Gerri Brousseau, Michael Burdz, Donna Chubaty, Karen Dyck, James Ediger, Ali El-Khatib, Lesley Koven, Valerie Holms, Darrell Lindsay, Carey Mintz, Bailey Rayter, Michael Teschuk and Norah Vincent.

Two thousand and nine has been a growth year for the Committee. In addition to maintaining our roster of volunteer examiners from the previous year, we have benefitted from a number of new additions. The Committee continues to seek individuals willing to sit on oral examination committees. Any registered psychologist who is available to contribute to the activities of the Committee on Oral Examinations is encouraged to contact me for more information.

An additional initiative undertaken by the Oral Examination Committee this year involves development of a set of standardized scoring procedures for the oral examinations. An ad hoc committee has been meeting on a monthly basis to refine these scoring procedures. I would like to thank Drs. Michael Burdz, James Ediger, and Carey Mintz for their contributions in this regard.

Allow me once again to thank the members who have provided service to the Oral Examinations Committee this year.

Respectfully submitted,

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