Mental Health Section Awards to be presented at the 2018 APHA Annual Meeting

Carl A. Taube Award

For outstanding contributions to the field of mental health services research Benjamin G. Druss, MD, MPH



Benjamin G. Druss, MD, MPH:

As the first Rosalynn Carter Chair in Mental Health at the Rollins School of Public Health, Emory University, Dr. Druss is working to build linkages between mental health, physical health, and public health. The Section particularly values his substantial focus on mental health services research, his strong records of mentoring and external funding, and his public mental health focus. At Emory, he works closely with the Carter Center Mental Health Program, where he is a member of the Mental Health Taskforce and Journalism Advisory Board. Dr. Druss serves on the Editorial Boards of *JAMA Psychiatry*, the *American Journal of Psychiatry*, and *General Hospital Psychiatry*, and edits Psychiatric Services' Integrated Care Column. He is a member of NIMH's National Advisory Mental Health Council. Dr. Druss is an Adjunct Clinical Professor of Morehouse School of Medicine Department of Psychiatry and Behavioral Sciences. He is also recipient of the Psychiatric Rehabilitation Association Armin Loeb Award for research in psychiatric rehabilitation and the American Psychiatric Association Senior Health Services Research Award.

At the local level, he led an effort to foster training and research on mental health. He integrated professionals from the mental health program of the Carter Center, the Department of Psychiatry, the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention and Emory's Arts and Sciences departments with scholars and teachers in the Rollins School of Public Health, creating the Center for Behavioral Health Policy Studies.

2018 Carl A. Taube Award Lecture: *Improving Health and Health Care for People with Serious Mental Illness: The Role of Public Health*

Rema Lapouse Awad For outstanding contributions to the field of psychiatric epidemiology James S. Jackson, PhD



James S. Jackson, PhD, is Daniel Katz Distinguished University Professor of Psychology, College of Literature, Science, and the Arts and former director of the Institute for Social Research, University of Michigan. Dr. Jackson's research focuses on issues of racial and ethnic influences on life course development, attitude change, reciprocity, social support, and coping and health among African Americans. His research efforts include conducting a number of national surveys and one international survey of black populations. His teaching centers on social factors in health, race and racism, and sources of misdiagnosis in black populations.

Dr. Jackson was awarded the University of Michigan's first Distinguished Diversity Scholar Career Award recognizing Jackson for his innovative research on the influence of race on the health of African Americans, including the National Survey of Black Americans and National Survey of American Life. His work has been characterized as transcending the traditional fields of psychology, sociology, political science and public health to provide a rich picture of the strengths, challenges, and functioning that characterizes the breadth of experiences of the African American community.

2018 Rema Lapouse Award Lecture: Race and Ethnicity's Joint and Independent Influence on Mood Disorders among African Americans and Afro-Caribbeans

Steve M. Banks Award

For thoughtful and open mentoring of practicing mental health services researchers Enola Proctor, PhD, MSW

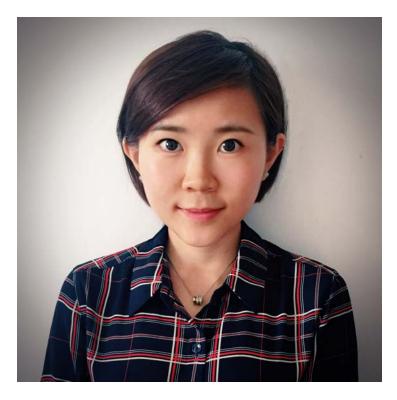


Enola Proctor, PhD, MSW, is Shanti K. Khinduka Distinguished Professor at the Brown School at Washington University St. Louis. Dr. Proctor's teaching and research are motivated by the question: How do we ensure that people receive the very best possible care? In social work, public health and health care settings ranging from hospitals to community agencies, she studies the processes through which organizations and individual providers can adopt and deliver the most effective programs and interventions. As a mentor, Dr. Proctor exemplifies, through her work and actions, someone who is not afraid to venture into new fields, to find new frontiers and to develop new areas of knowledge in mental health services research. Her passion and dedication for her work are described as infectious and her generosity for helping her colleagues, students, and mentees endless.

Dr. Proctor leads several national initiatives to advance the science of dissemination and implementation research, including the NIMH-funded Implementation Research Institute, which trains researchers from across the nation in implementation science for mental health. She directs the Center for Dissemination and Implementation for the Institute for Public Health, and the Dissemination and Implementation Research Core of Washington University's Institute for Clinical and Translational Science. Her research and training programs through the Center for Mental Health Services Research have been funded continuously by the National Institute of Mental Health since 1993. She is also an inaugural class member of the American Academy of Social Work and Social Welfare and its Board of Directors (2010-11). Dr. Proctor teaches doctoral and masters students in areas of mental health and implementation research.

Kenneth Lutterman Award

For outstanding student research in the field of mental health services research Yunyu Xiao, MPhil



Yunyu Xiao, MPhil, is a PhD candidate at the Silver School of Social Work, New York University where she conducts research at the McSilver Institute for Poverty Policy and Research. She is a child and adolescent mental health researcher, with a special focus on health disparities in suicidal behaviors and the role of social networks. Her work focuses on the connections among children's and adolescents' health, psychosocial development, and educational trajectories and how these connections contribute to population-level inequalities. Her published research has appeared in the *Journal of Youth and Adolescence, Psychiatry Research*, and *Asian Journal of Psychiatry*. Ms. Xiao earned an MPhil. in Social Work and Social Administration from the University of Hong Kong.

In addition to her Lutterman paper, Ms. Xiao is presenting at the APHA meeting in the Asian & Pacific Islander Caucus for Public Health on interpersonal risk exposures and suicidal behaviors among Asian American adolescents and the mitigating role of resilience and in the Public Health Social Work program on typologies of harmful social ties and suicidal ideation among US adolescents.

2018 Kenneth Lutterman Award Student Paper: *Cumulative Social Network Risks and Youth Resilience towards Suicidal Behaviors*

Mental Health Section Award For significant and lasting contributions to the work of the Section Ron W. Manderscheid, PhD David L. Shern, PhD

Margaret Walkover, MPH



Ron W. Manderscheid, PhD, serves as the Executive Director of the National Association of County Behavioral Health and Developmental Disability Directors. He is Executive Director of the National Association for Rural Mental Health, Adjunct Professor at the Department of Mental Health, Bloomberg School of Public Health, Johns Hopkins University, and Adjunct Professor, School of Social Work, University of Southern California.

David L. Shern, PhD, served as the President and CEO of Mental Health America. Dr. Shern now serves on the staff of the National Association of State Mental Health Program Directors as a Senior Public Health Advisor. He also has an appointment in the Department of Mental Health at the Bloomberg School of Public Health. Dr. Shern served as dean of the Louis de la Parte Florida Mental Health Institute (FMHI) at the University of South Florida, and founded and directed the National Center for the Study of Issues in Public Mental Health.

Margaret Walkover, MPH, is a PhD student in Public Health at the University of Hawaii-Manoa where she is researching the synergies between population health, behavioral health and public health. Previously she was Director, Wellness Recovery and Resiliency Initiatives at Alameda County Behavioral Health Care Services in California.

The Section honors their leadership in developing the 2017 symposium with the Carter Center on Population Health: Integrating the Roles of Public Health and Behavioral Health. They successfully convened a broad range of distinguished thought leaders to consider how to integrate behavioral health and public health in order to improve population health. The issues raised in the symposium have been priorities of the MH Section formalized in our 2014 Policy Statement on Social Determinants and appear consistently in our program: moving upstream to reach at-risk populations; developing novel approaches to connect with people whom traditional services don't reach; deploying new language and using stories to diminish stigma; fighting incarceration as a behavioral health solution. The symposium increased awareness in APHA broadly that indeed, there is no health without mental health, and has highlighted the Section's profile across APHA.