



From The Director...

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"Restoring humanity to life"



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I want to personally thank [Michele Paiva](#), one of our dedicated ISEPP members, for her work in optimizing our website. There is so much that can be done in the "background" in order to enhance the value of web marketing and Michele has done, and continues to do, an excellent job! Keep up the good work Michele and many heart-felt thanks!

Register Now! Individuals Matter: Building a Better Science for Psychology and Psychiatry
Our 19th Annual ISEPP Conference in Portland, Oregon is fast approaching. You can check out the tentative conference schedule of events at <http://psychintegrity.org/conference-schedule/>. This year's conference theme highlights the importance of each individual, rather than relying on the dehumanizing stereotypes of conventional scientific research.

Register

here: <http://psychintegrity.org/conference-registration/>.

Join ISEPP

Help us continue the fight against the conventional psychiatric system. And remember, ISEPP members get a discount on the conference registration fee! To join or renew your ISEPP membership, click here: <http://psychintegrity.org/joinrenew/>.

Healing Voices

ISEPP sponsored the screening of [Healing Voices](#), a

feature-length documentary produced by Digital Eyes Films that explores the experiences commonly labeled "psychosis" by following the lives of three people working to overcome extreme mental states and to integrate them into their lives in meaningful ways. The film opened April 29th in over 130 locations in eight countries. Healing Voices continues to be shown and another screening event is planned for this July.

ISEPP White Papers

In our upcoming edition of *Ethical Human Psychology and Psychiatry* (18(1)), we'll showcase ISEPP's first in a [series of white papers](#). This was an effort to produce authoritative documents that critique major issues of the medical model of conventional psychology and psychiatry. These first three white papers focus on the link between psychiatric drugs and violence, the question of the effectiveness of psychiatric drugs, and the failure of brain scan research to provide any useful information about so-called "mental illness". We hope to have more white papers in the future. Anyone interested in writing one can contact me at docruby@me.com.

ISEPP Submits Statement to Congress

We recently submitted a statement to the U.S. House of Representatives Committee on Veterans' Affairs, Subcommittee on Health, with comments in support of a bill that strengthens informed consent requirements to veterans being prescribed psychiatric drugs. The statement also critiques the American Psychiatric Association and the National Alliance on Mental Illness opposition to the bill. You can see the statement here: <http://psychintegrity.org/public-statements/>.

Legislative Liaison Working Group

We are seeking volunteers among our members to serve on a Legislative Liaison Working Group to give us more real-time, consistent, and ongoing monitoring and reaction to national level legislation germane to our [mission](#). This is essential as Congress is constantly considering legislation that affects millions of people labeled with "mental illness" and it takes a dedicated effort to stay abreast of these issues. Please consider joining us and being part of this effort! If you are interested (and are or will become a member), contact Al Galves at agalves2003@comcast.net.

ISEPP Blogs

Please take time to read our blogs In the News and ISEPP in Action at www.psychintegrity.org. We hope to use these sections to advertise our efforts and to spread the word about the damaging effects of the conventional psychiatric system. One of our members, Edward Dantes, recently posted a great piece in our In the News section critiquing a *Psychiatric Times* article and showing how the linguistic gymnastics and obfuscation used to explain psychosis and schizophrenia just doesn't make sense!

As always, feel free to contact me at docruby@me.com or 301-646-6022 if you have any suggestions or concerns. We're always looking for new members and especially those who want to be active in pursuing our mission!

Best wishes,



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