



November 4, 2019

Dear Society for Clinical Neuropsychology (SCN) Colleague,

Enclosed, please find our semi-annual mailing to members. This is a means for us to communicate important information to you, particularly those of you who do not receive our Neuroblast emails. Included in the mailing are the following:

1. **APA CONVENTION – START PLANNING NOW:** The 128th Annual APA Convention will be August 6th – 9th, 2020, in Washington, D.C.! SCN hopes to see you there.
2. **Apportionment Ballots** have been sent to you. Please see the attached information about allocation of your votes.
3. There is a **Graduate Student Voting item** on the ballot you received via email on or about November 1, 2019. Please see the attached letter for information on SCN's support of this initiative.
4. We request the input of our membership in determining **nomination of candidates** for the following SCN offices: President-Elect, Member-at-Large, and Council Representative. Please see the attached form to submit your nomination suggestions.
5. Please consider applying for the **Early Career Pilot Study Award**. A flyer is attached with award details and application instructions.
6. There is a new **ANST Pediatric Focus Group**. A flyer is included in this mailing that provides more information.
7. **WIN is celebrating its 20th Anniversary!** Check out the anniversary information in this mailing.
8. **Apply to become an APA Fellow!** Information on the application process is included.

Please let me know if you have any questions or comments about SCN activities. I would love to hear from you and welcome your input.

Sincerely,

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APA 2020

WASHINGTON, DC
AUGUST 6-9

CALL FOR PROPOSALS IS NOW OPEN



The 128th Annual Convention of the American Psychological Association

Division 40 – Society for Clinical Neuropsychology – welcomes your proposals for division programming for the 2020 APA convention, which will take place August 6-9, 2020 in Washington, DC. Proposal types include symposia, data blitz sessions, skill-building sessions, discussions, and posters. Note that as of this year, APA is no longer accepting individual paper submissions.

The deadline for submissions is December 2, 2019 at 5pm (EST). Detailed description of proposal guidelines and submission procedures can be found at <https://convention.apa.org/proposals/division-programs>.

You do not have to be a member of Division 40 to submit a proposal. However, it is easy and inexpensive to join (click here to join: http://www.scn40.org/uploads/4/7/2/2/47220679/scn_membership_application_july_2014.pdf)!

All proposals must be submitted through the APA submission portal, which may be accessed here: https://my.apa.org/apa/idm/login.seam?ERIGHTS_TARGET=http://apps.apa.org/ConvC/all/default.aspx?_ga=2.44347431.207414571.1539115890-338484008.1509125273.

We encourage you to submit your proposal prior to the December 2 deadline to avoid potential technical difficulties that may occur when large numbers of individuals try to access the submission portal at the same time.

Have questions?

Please contact Vonetta Dotson (Convention Program Chair) at vdotson1@gsu.edu or Laura Grande (Convention Program Co-chair) at laurajgrande@gmail.com.



October 23, 2019

Dear Society for Clinical Neuropsychology (SCN) Members:

In November, APA Voting Members you will receive an *apportionment ballot* electronically from APA. This is the method that determines division and state representation on APA's Council of Representatives. You will be provided with 10 votes for allocation, and ***I strongly encourage you to allocate ALL of your votes for SCN/Division 40 so that clinical neuropsychology can maintain its strong representation in the APA Council.*** The voting period will be from November 1 to December 16, 2019. The voting site will close at 11:59 p.m. EST, December 16, 2019.

Although various issues confront our field as a whole, we know that reimbursement for assessment and treatment services is one area that we can all agree demands more attention from APA, along with other issues related to specialty practice. Apportionment of ballots is the way to bolster neuropsychology's voice at the table. Representation by APA on national healthcare issues is one of the strongest ways we have of influencing the process, and the number of representatives SCN has represented at Council is essential for effective influence. Our Council members have been doing an excellent job representing our interests, but there is indeed strength in numbers, and SCN is well positioned to maintain its strong position within APA. I strongly urge you to allocate your votes for SCN/Division 40 to maintain and hopefully increase our representation within APA. Remember, *every vote counts!*

Sincerely Yours,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Rodney D. Vanderploeg". The signature is written in a cursive style.

Rodney Vanderploeg, Ph.D.

President, Society for Clinical Neuropsychology (Division 40), American Psychological Association



October 28, 2019

Dear Society for Clinical Neuropsychology (SCN) Members:

Subject: SCN Supports Voting Rights for Graduate Students: Vote Yes!

If you are a voting member of APA, on November 1st you will receive a ballot asking for your vote on a proposed amendment that will grant APA member graduate students the right to vote in APA elections. If passed, the amendment will for the first time provide graduate students a direct voice on matters that affect their education, livelihood, and well-being, as well as the future of APA and the field. The amendment has the support of the majority of APA Council of Representatives (73.4%) and the APA Board of Directors. **The Society for Clinical Neuropsychology's (SCN) Executive Committee also strongly supports this amendment and encourages you to stand with students and our division by voting YES.**

SCN and its student group, the Association of Neuropsychology Students and Trainees (ANST), is the largest division and student organization in APA. A **YES** vote will increase opportunity for student engagement and membership in SCN and APA, thereby **increasing SCN's influence and standing within APA.**

What your **YES** vote means

1. Creation of a new "APA Graduate Student" membership category
2. After one year as Graduate Student Members, students will earn the right to vote on APA issues, such as:
 - Elections for APA President-Elect
 - Elections for Board Members-at-Large
 - Bylaw amendments
 - Apportionment ballots (determining how many Council seats will be allotted to APA Divisions and State, Provincial, and Territorial Associations)

Five More Reasons to Vote **YES**

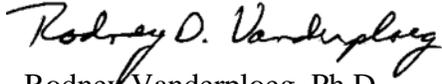
1. **YES** will align APA with many other associations that found student voting led to more engaged students and stronger leadership pipelines

2. **YES** will serve as a pipeline for moving students into active involvement in SCN and APA, thereby strengthening both SCN's and APA's continuity and relevance
3. **YES** will include the voices of 21,000 people who have committed themselves to serving as the next generation of psychologists within and beyond APA
4. **YES** directly aligns with APA's new strategic plan to "attract, diversify, develop, and support the next generation of psychology professionals"
5. **YES** will grant college-educated adults, who already maintain the right to vote in US elections, conduct research, and treat our most vulnerable patients, the right to be involved in decisions that directly affect their education and future

You will have the opportunity to vote **YES** on the "Voting Privileges and New Membership Category for Graduate Students" amendment between November 1st and December 16th. The amendment will need a "supermajority" (66.6% **YES** votes) to pass, your vote is critically important. The SCN Executive Committee asks that you stand with students and our division by voting **YES** and encouraging your colleagues to do the same.

For more information, please visit: www.letgradstudentsvote.com.

Sincerely Yours,


Rodney Vanderploeg, Ph.D.

President, Society for Clinical Neuropsychology (Division 40), American Psychological Association

CALL FOR NOMINATIONS

The Society for Clinical Neuropsychology (SCN) Elections Committee requests your input on the nomination of candidates for election to the SCN offices of President-Elect, Member-at-Large, and Council Representative. The nomination of candidates is one of the most important rights of citizenship in SCN and you are urged to participate in this process.

According to the 1997 Division 40 Bylaws Revision, "All persons receiving nominations for an office from 1% or more of the membership... will be included on the ballot if qualified in accordance with these Bylaws and Division Policies and Procedures." An individual must be nominated by approximately 34 voting members to be placed on the 2019 ballot. Self-nominations are permitted.

In accordance with Division policy (2014 Bylaws Revision), all nominations must be made on this form to be counted. No fax transmissions will be considered valid, Nominations can now be received by hard copy mail or electronic mail.

President-Elect: _____

Member-at-Large: _____

Council Representative: _____

Please return your completed nomination ballot, **postmarked or emailed by January 15, 2020.** Remember to print and sign your name on the envelope if sending via hard copy mail.

Nominations should be emailed to:

Amy Jak, Ph.D. at ajak@ucsd.edu

or mailed to:

Amy Jak, Ph.D.
3350 La Jolla Village Dr. (151B)
San Diego, CA, 92161

You do not need to return this form if you are not nominating any candidates.

2020 APA SOCIETY FOR CLINICAL NEUROPSYCHOLOGY EARLY CAREER PILOT STUDY AWARDS

Overview: The Society for Clinical Neuropsychology (SCN) is accepting applications for its Early Career Pilot Study Awards program. Eligible candidates are SCN members (including associates and student affiliates) who are within ten years of having completed their doctoral degree and are committed to basic or clinical research in the field of neuropsychology. <https://www.scn40.org/sac.html>

Application requirements: (1) Application face page, (2) Brief abstract of the proposed project, (3) 4-page research plan, (4) NIH-style biosketches of all investigators, (4) Budget and budget justification, (5) Summary of existing facilities resources in the applicant's setting that are available to support the project, and (6) Letter of support from an identified mentor or mentors who will help facilitate the project.

Application procedure: All materials are to be submitted electronically, in the order listed above and as a single PDF file, to Kati Pagulayan, PhD, Chair, APA Society for Clinical Neuropsychology Early Career Pilot Study Awards Subcommittee, at farkat@u.washington.edu.

Application deadline: 11:59 PM (Eastern Time), February 24, 2020.



Stay connected.



The ANST Pediatric Focus Group

is a new community and platform made by trainees for trainees of all levels who are interested in pediatric neuropsychology. This group will allow members to:

- **Connect with other trainees .**
- **Ask questions related to training, clinical, research, and professional development topics .**
- **Gain access to pediatric neuropsychology resources curated by ANST and Focus Group members .**

To join, go to Google Groups (<https://groups.google.com>), search for “ANST Pediatric Focus Group” and request to join! Alternatively, you can email us at d4oanst@gmail.com with your name and email address. Membership is restricted to current ANST members only.

WIN 20th Anniversary!

The **SCN Women in Neuropsychology (WIN)** Subcommittee will be celebrating its **20th Anniversary in 2020!** Please be on the lookout for 20th anniversary events "*WIN Social Hour: Celebrating 20 Years!*" at INS and "*Honoring the Original Women in Neuropsychology Board: Reflections on How Far We've Come*" at APA in 2020. We will also be publishing 20th Anniversary Mentor Moments on the 20th of each month highlighting original SCN WIN subcommittee members and early participants.

APPLY: Division 40 (SCN) Fellows

December 1, 2019 is the deadline for completion of APA Fellow applications. We welcome applications from outstanding division members who had made contributions to our field at the national or international level. This can be achieved in various ways – ranging from research, teaching, professional, mentorship, development of innovative therapies, etc. Not one shoe fits all as there are many paths. Some examples include: a) record of scientific and/or clinical accomplishments published in peer reviewed journals, grant funding etc.; c) elected and volunteer positions in professional and academic organizations; d) development of innovative interventions; e) evidence of outstanding teaching; f) history of mentorship of students and early career colleagues; g) journal editorial or reviewer responsibilities; h) specialty recognition through board certification (i.e., ABPP/CN; APCN)

The required application materials are a self-statement, a CV, and a minimum of 3 letters of endorsement from other Fellows. Applications are submitted via an online APA portal which opens at the end of APA 2019. User friendly instructions are located at this site: <http://www.apa.org/membership/fellows/help-applicants.pdf>. More generally, information about criteria and the Fellowship application process is located at the APA website: <http://www.apa.org/membership/fellows/apply.aspx>.

Division 40 strongly encourages applications from women and minority applicants. Those individuals considering applying are welcome to contact the Chair of the Division 40 Fellows committee (Dawn Bowers) to discuss further. dawnbowers@phhp.ufl.edu