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Association of Psychology Postdoctoral and Internship Centers

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Stephen DeMers, Ed.D.  
Chief Executive Officer  
Association of State and Provincial Psychology Boards  
215 Market Road  
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Dear Dr. DeMers,

We write in support of the efforts of the Association of State and Provincial Psychology Boards (ASPPB) and its member psychology licensing boards in its work for the advancement of the practice of psychology via telehealth technologies across state lines. The Association of Psychology Postdoctoral & Internship Centers (APPIC) strongly supports the creation of the Psychology Interjurisdictional Compact (PSYPACT). APPIC believes it is important for licensed psychologists to have the ability to practice psychology (telepsychology) via telehealth will provide temporary in-person, face-to-face psychological services for up to 30 days per calendar year within PSYPACT states without necessitating multiple licenses.

On January 29, 2016, The APPIC Board agreed to support ASPPB's efforts to create regional licensing compacts to facilitate telepsychology practice for psychologists. APPIC, established in 1962, is a non-profit organization with psychology internships and postdoctoral training programs in every U.S. state and territory. APPIC has over 750 psychology internship programs and 185 postdoctoral training programs as members. The primary mission of APPIC is to facilitate a national match to assist doctoral students in psychology to obtain an internship which is required to complete their doctoral degree in psychology.

APPIC strongly believes that the advancement of telepsychology will increase access to care while providing a mechanism to protect the public. We agree that allowing states to share information while providing a means to manage any disciplinary complaints allows psychologists to practice telepsychology in multiple states, thus increasing access to care and protecting the public in the process.

We believe that PSYPACT provides necessary checks and balances that allows patients to have increased access to care from qualified psychologists across state lines. Therefore, we further support the necessity that licensed psychologists must obtain required certifications to ascertain that participating psychologists have met acceptable credentials to ensure accountability for professional practice.

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Research shows that telepsychology provides value, access and quality of care and is an important component to alleviate mental health workforce shortages. Since PSYPACT seems essential to increased access to care, we support your efforts and vision. Please keep us apprised of the progress ASPPB makes to advance psychologists' ability to practice in multiple states via telepsychology.

Sincerely,

Jennifer Cornish, Ph.D., ABPP, Chair  
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