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In this new edition of the e-Newsletter, we invite you to join us for the CAGP Annual Scientific Meeting (ASM) at the Hyatt Regency in Vancouver, BC, September 30, 2015. The theme is particularly inspiring and clinically relevant this year entitled, *The Spectrum of Geriatric Psychiatry: From Prevention to Palliation*. Also, a reminder that the National Review Course changed its name to *CAGP Update in Geriatrics Psychiatry* and will be held sooner this year, at the Hilton Bonaventure, Montreal, Q.C., April 16, 2015, in partnership with the Canadian Geriatrics Society (CGS).

Our President, Dr. Mark Rapoport, explains the launch of the Geriatric Psychiatry Online Course last November, and invites motivated candidates to present geriatric psychiatry topics at the Canadian Psychiatric Association Annual Meeting being held in Vancouver right after our ASM.

*Other important updates include:*

- an updated e-Resources webpage including innovative publications enumerated by the CAGP Research Committee
- a listing of the second year of Royal College-Certified Geriatric Psychiatrists
- an invitation for donation to support our trainee awards; and
- several job opportunities

Hoping to meet you at the upcoming 2015 Annual Scientific Meeting!

Enjoy the January e-Newsletter!

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[President's Report](#)

The CAGP office has been abuzz lately with activity!

Our Geriatric Psychiatry Online Course launched in November 2014, and new participants are joining steadily. We are planning to open registration for the Update in Geriatric Psychiatry very shortly. This year, for the first time, in partnership with the Canadian Geriatrics Society (CGS), right before their annual meeting, the update

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will be on April 16, 2015, at the Hilton Bonaventure in Montreal, much earlier than our usual time. An ad-hoc committee has assembled an enhanced e-Resources section of our website that is available for members only. The CAGP is trying to promote increased presentations on geriatric psychiatry topics at the Canadian Psychiatric Association (CPA) Annual Meeting being held in Vancouver right after the CAGP 2015 Annual Scientific Meeting, and our CAGP ASM call for abstracts will be released very shortly as well.

You will also note that the abstracts from the 2014 CAGP/CCSMH ASM are included in the *Canadian Geriatrics Journal* from December 2014; to access them please [click here](#). Of course, we're particularly thrilled at the second cohort of geriatric psychiatrists announced by the Royal College last month. In the background, there are some exciting discussions being held about next year, as it will be the 25<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of CAGP. Please stay tuned for more information.

You may have wondered about membership dues. Typically, reminders about dues are issued in January, but you may recall that since we have changed our year-end, we collected a one-time 17-month fee for those who renewed in 2014. We will be restarting our usual 12-month membership renewals June 1, 2015.

As always, please feel free to contact me or the CAGP staff with any questions or suggestions.

I'll look forward to seeing many of you in Montreal at the Update in Geriatric Psychiatry in April and in Vancouver at the ASM in September.

With best wishes for a warm winter,

**Mark Rapoport, MD, FRCPC**  
**President, CAGP**

## CAGP NEWS

### [CAGP 24<sup>th</sup> Annual Scientific Meeting](#)

It is with great excitement that we invite you to join us for the 24<sup>th</sup> Annual Scientific Meeting (ASM) of the Canadian Academy of Geriatric Psychiatry in fabulous downtown Vancouver on September 30 at the Hyatt Regency. This year's theme is *The Spectrum of Geriatric Psychiatry: From Prevention to Palliation*.

Topics that will be covered in the 2015 program include:

- Prevention of depression in late-life
- Prevention of dementia in older adults
- Management of treatment resistance in late-life mental disorders
- End of life care in dementia
- Neurostimulation in late-life mental disorders



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Registration opens May 11, 2015! For more information please [click here](#) .

### [2015 Membership Renewal](#)

As noted above by the CAGP president, we collected a one-time 17-month fee for those who renewed in 2014. We will be restarting our usual 12-month membership renewals June 1, 2015. Please make sure to renew in order to take advantage of the great member benefits including member only conference and event registration rates!

To update your membership profile, please [click here](#).

### [UPDATED: CAGP Member Only and Public E-Resources](#)

Visit our newly updated e-Resources webpage ([www.cagp.ca/E-Resources](http://www.cagp.ca/E-Resources)) for a list of articles, tools and guidelines grouped by areas of interest submitted by members. A special thanks to Drs. Tim Lau, Corrine Fischer, Holly Dornan, Mark Rapoport and Nancy Vasil for creating the list of resources below.



**Please note:** The public can now view only selected e-Resources, and the expanded and updated list of resources is available only to CAGP members as an added membership benefit. To access more guidelines and review articles please log in at the top right-hand corner and a new menu item titled “Member Only E-Resources” will appear on the left-hand side.

If you have any recommendations on any resources that could be added, please contact Dora Iskander at [cagp@secretariatcentral.com](mailto:cagp@secretariatcentral.com).

### [CAGP Research Committee](#)

Join our growing community of Canadian researchers in geriatric mental health at [ResearchGate](#). Contact [andrea.iaboni@uhn.ca](mailto:andrea.iaboni@uhn.ca) for more information.

### Hot off the press recent publications from CAGP members:

#### [A systematic approach to pharmacotherapy for geriatric major depression.](#)

*Clin Geriatr Med.* 2014 Aug;30(3):517-34 Mulsant BH, Blumberger DM, Ismail Z, Rabheru K, Rapoport MJ.

#### [Platelet-activating factors are associated with cognitive deficits in depressed coronary artery disease patients: a hypothesis-generating study.](#)

*J Neuroinflammation.* 2014 Jul 4;11:119. Mazereeuw G, Herrmann N, Xu H, Figeys D, Oh PI, A L Bennett S, Lanctôt KL.

#### [Adapting interpersonal psychotherapy for older adults at risk for suicide.](#)

*Am J Geriatr Psychiatry.* 2015 Jan;23(1):87-98. Heisel MJ, Talbot NL, King DA, Tu XM, Duberstein PR.

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Initiation of antidepressant medication after hip fracture in community-dwelling older adults.

*Am J Geriatr Psychiatry*. 2014

Oct 16. [epub]

laboni A, Seitz DP, Fischer

HD, Diong CC, Rochon PA, Flint

AJ.

Small longitudinal study of serum anticholinergic activity and cognitive change in community-dwelling older adults.

*Am J Geriatr Psychiatry*. 2014

Sep 28 [epub]

Kashyap M, Mulsant

BH, Tannenbaum C.

The impact of aging, cognition, and symptoms on functional competence in individuals with schizophrenia across the lifespan.

*Schizophr Bull*. 2014 Aug 6

[epub]

Kalache SM, Mulsant BH, Davies

SJ, Liu AY, Voineskos AN, Butters

MA, Miranda D, Menon M, Kern

RS, Rajji Tk.

## Donations

Did you know that 100 percent of donations to the CAGP are put toward funding our existing trainee awards? The purpose of our Annual Resident Award is to promote the development of future geriatric psychiatrists by providing the successful candidates with financial support to attend our ASM where they present a poster outlining a scholarly activity in the field.

Reasons to donate today:

- 🌱 More awards and grants to support more candidates
- 🌱 Increased interest in geriatric psychiatry among future physicians
- 🌱 Improved access to mental health care for Canada's elderly population in future years
- 🌱 Tax receipt

To find out more on how you can support the Canadian Academy of Geriatric Psychiatry, please [click here](#).

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## OTHER NEWS



Dear colleagues,

*Canadian Geriatrics Journal* has published its latest issue at [www.cgjonline.ca/index.php/cgj](http://www.cgjonline.ca/index.php/cgj).

This edition includes the abstracts from our 2014 CAGP-CCSMH Annual Scientific Meeting.

Best regards,

*Mark Rapoport, MD, FRCPC*

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### Geriatric Psychiatrists – The Second Year of Royal College-Certified Geriatric Psychiatrists

The CAGP wishes to offer sincere congratulations to the new geriatric psychiatrists accredited this year by the Royal College, bringing the grand total to 161 across the country.

Dr. Mahmoud Abdel-Kader (BC)

Dr. Mariam Aziz (ON)

Dr. Muzumel Birlik (BC)

Dr. Sarah Brunelle (QC)

Dr. David Cohen (BC)

Dr. Dale Danyluk (AB)

Dr. Holly Dornan (ON)

Dr. Jess Nancy Friedland (QC)

Dr. Laura Gage (ON)

Dr. Adrian Grek (ON)

Dr. Lisa Harpur (AB)

Dr. Ana Hategan (ON)

Dr. Catherine Hickey (NFLD)

Dr. Ashok Kumar Krishnamoorthy (BC)

Dr. Genevieve Letourneau (QC)

Dr. Tony Hiu Lo (AB)

Dr. Catalina Lopez De Lara Gutierrez (ON)

Dr. Richard Edward Leo Magee (BC)

Dr. Diana-Felicia Nicolici (ON)

Dr. Cletus Chike Okonkwo (BC)

Dr. Craig Kerry Omelan (MB)

Dr. Jean Louis Oullette (ON)

Dr. Hae-Ryun Park (ON)

Dr. Murali Krishna Popuri (ON)

Dr. Kiran Rabheru (ON)

Dr. M Sadashiviah Renuka-Prasad (SK)

Dr. Jenny Susan Rogers (BC)

Dr. Monique Chantale Scholten (NB)

Dr. Leslie James Sheldon (BC)

Dr. Kuppuswami Shivakumar (ON)

Dr. Gordon Robert Thomas (ON)

Dr. Bonnie Sue Wiese (BC)

Dr. Lesley Wiesenfeld (ON)

CAGP members interested in accessing the RCPSC examination in geriatric psychiatry via the Practice Eligibility Route (PER-sub) should visit the [Royal College website](#) for more information regarding the process and deadlines.

### The Canadian Psychiatric Association Abstract Submission is NOW OPEN!

The Canadian Psychiatric Association's Annual Conference, October 1-3, 2015, in Vancouver, BC, is the largest psychiatric continuing professional development program in Canada. Each year, more than 1,200 psychiatrists and other mental health care professionals attend the conference to stay up-to-date on the latest research, exchange ideas and network with colleagues from across the country.

For more information and to submit an abstract, please [click here](#).

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## JOB OPPORTUNITIES

### [Geriatric Psychiatry Staff Position – Centre for Addiction and Mental Health \(CAMH\)](#)

**Position Overview:** The position entails a combination of inpatient and outpatient work with opportunities to participate in the rich educational and research activities of the division. The candidate is expected to join the faculty in the Department of Psychiatry at the University of Toronto.



For more information, please [click here](#).

### [Geriatric Psychiatrist – The Division of Geriatric Psychiatry, Island Health](#)

**Position Overview:** The successful candidate will provide clinical service and leadership to two interdisciplinary Seniors Outpatient Clinics (RJH and SPH). In addition, he or she will provide geriatric psychiatry consultation liaison service to SPH and selected residential care facilities as well as consult to an interdisciplinary seniors outreach team co-located with Home and Community Care within a defined catchment area.

For more information, please [click here](#).

## NEWS AND EVENTS!

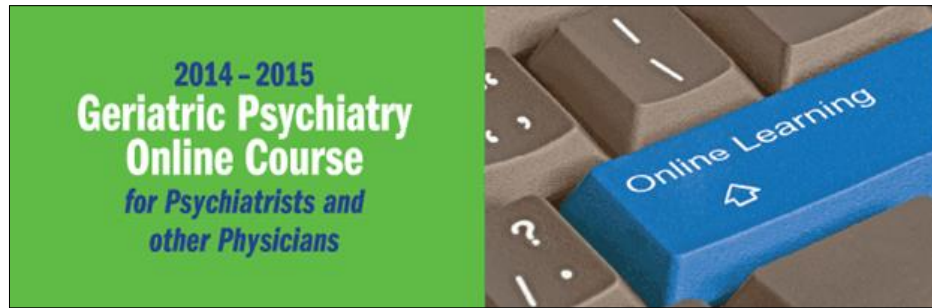


The Update in Geriatric Psychiatry (UGP) formally known as the National Review Course (NRC) was awarded the 2014 CPA-COPCE award for Most Outstanding Continuing Education Activity in Psychiatry in Canada. The CAGP will be offering for the fourth time an intensive, one day review course in geriatric psychiatry on **Thursday, April 16, 2015**, in Montreal immediately before the Canadian Geriatrics Society (CGS) Annual Scientific Meeting.

The UGP will be an excellent opportunity to cover a wide array of topics in geriatric psychiatry at an advanced level. Knowledge will be consolidated, and clinically relevant literature updates will be presented. The course is suitable for geriatric psychiatrists, geriatricians, family physicians and allied-health professionals interested in learning more about a broad array of topics in geriatric psychiatry.

[Registration will open January 26, 2015.](#)

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The Canadian Academy of Geriatric Psychiatry (CAGP) is providing an innovative and interactive online course covering 18 topics in geriatric psychiatry over a 10-month period starting in November 2014.

Registration is **now open** to family physicians as well as general psychiatrists and geriatric psychiatrists across Canada who wish to improve their ability to recognize, diagnose and manage older patients with complex psychiatric difficulties.

This Geriatric Psychiatry Online Course will consolidate learning of geriatric psychiatry in an innovative, interactive and fun manner. Our program is geared only to physicians and residents who are interested in up-to-date learning about the psychiatric care of the elderly, and features interactive asynchronous online learning (sign on at your convenience). Nineteen two-week modules with expert faculty will cover a wide array of topics in geriatric psychiatry at an advanced level.

The online format will include recommendations of key up-to-date review papers, practice exam questions, reflective discussion of controversies, opportunity to ask faculty questions you've always wanted to know (but were afraid to ask), and discussions of clinical problems with peers and faculty.

[Click here](#) to register now and find out more information on this highly interactive and educational course.

#### OTHER UPCOMING EVENTS!

- [AAGP Annual Meeting, New Orleans, LA, March 27-30, 2015](#)
- [CGS 2015 Annual Scientific Meeting – Registration NOW OPEN!](#)
- [CAGP Annual Scientific Meeting, Hyatt Regency, Vancouver, BC, September 30, 2015](#)

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