

Bylaws of the Clinical Psychology Specialty Council

Article I Name of Organization

The name of the organization is the Clinical Psychology Specialty Council.

Article II Clinical Psychology Specialty Council Mission

The purpose of the Clinical Psychology Specialty Council shall be to:

1. Facilitate communication and development of coherence and consistency of policies and procedures within the specialty of Clinical Psychology.
2. Promote quality assurance of education, training, credentialing, research and practice in Clinical Psychology.
3. Represent all major stakeholders of the specialty of Clinical Psychology to the Commission on Accreditation of the American Psychological Association (APA), the Council of Specialties in Professional Psychology (CoS), APA's Commission for the Recognition of Specialties and Proficiencies in Professional Psychology (CRSPPP) and other professional organizations.
4. Promote Clinical Psychology as a specialty in professional psychology and assure that the specialty of Clinical Psychology is maintained within CoS and the APA.

Article III Membership

1. The membership of the Clinical Psychology Specialty Council shall consist of one voting representative from the clinical psychology division of the American Psychology Association, one from each clinical psychology organization that consists of directors of clinical training for accredited doctoral programs in clinical psychology (i.e., the Council of University Directors of Clinical Psychology; the National Council of Schools and Programs of Professional Psychology), and one representative sponsored by the American Board of Professional Psychology.
2. The term of service for each voting representative shall be determined by the member organization, up to a term of three years. Each representative may serve a maximum of two three-year terms. All appointments begin January 1.
3. Terms of representatives to the Clinical Psychology Specialty Council and officers thereof shall begin in January.

4. Representatives to the Clinical Psychology Specialty Council commit themselves to regular attendance at meetings that typically occur once a year at teleconference meetings; additional meetings can be scheduled as needed.
5. The officers of the Clinical Psychology Specialty Council shall consist of a President and Treasurer, who are elected for a three year term. Officers can be re-elected for a second three-year term. The Treasurer shall serve in the absence of the President and perform tasks requested by the President. The President shall take and distribute minutes of meetings within six weeks. Election to office extends appointment to the end of service in that office, total service not to exceed six years.
6. Annual dues for each member of this Council are payable for each calendar year. They will be reviewed annually by the members and will be revised as needed. Dues cover the Clinical Psychology Specialty Council's annual dues to CoS; the expenses of the President attending the annual meeting of CoS, including airfare, hotel and meals; and administrative expenses of the Council. Dues are payable by March 31 of the year for which they are assessed. In the absence of a Treasurer, the President may assume the responsibilities of that position if the group so directs.

Article IV Meetings

1. Meetings shall be held by conference call at least once a year.
2. Meetings may be attended by liaisons and observers by invitation of the Clinical Psychology Specialty Council.
3. The Clinical Psychology Specialty Council may address business matters outside of the regularly scheduled meetings. Votes may be conducted by mail, e-mail or fax.
4. A quorum shall be defined as a simple majority of the total number of voting representatives.

Article V Representative to the Council of Specialties in Professional Psychology

The President of the Clinical Psychology Specialty Council will serve as the Council's Representative to the Council of Specialties in Professional Psychology (CoS). The term of this Representative shall be three years and reelection for one consecutive term is possible.

Article VI Rules of Order

The Clinical Psychology Specialty Council shall conduct its meetings in accordance with the latest edition of Keesey's *Modern Parliamentary Procedures*.

Article VII
Amendments

Amendments to these Bylaws may be made by a two-thirds majority vote of the members of the Clinical Psychology Specialty Council. Mail ballots may be utilized providing a discussion of the matter had taken place at a prior meeting and allowing a twenty-one day response.

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