

MENTAL HEALTH AND THE LAW CALL FOR PAPERS

Ninth Annual Conference of the
**INTERNATIONAL CENTER FOR THE STUDY
OF PSYCHIATRY AND PSYCHOLOGY, INC. (ICSPP)**
in collaboration with
THE AMERICAN UNIVERSITY WASHINGTON COLLEGE OF LAW
Washington, D.C., October, 7, 8, and 9, 2006
DoubleTree Hotel and Executive Meeting Center of Bethesda,
8120 Wisconsin Ave, Bethesda, MD 20815, 301-652-2000

with a focus on

- 1. Adult, Child And Parental Rights,**
- 2. "Science Of Psychiatry" In The Courts**
- 3. Non-Drug Treatment And Treatment Programs**

For more than three decades ICSPP (www.icspp.org), a nonprofit, 501 (c) research and educational network of professionals and lay persons that has been informing professionals, media, and the public about potential dangers of biological theories and treatments in psychiatry.

The **ICSPP** Annual conferences serve as unique thought provoking forums to exchange critical ideas about the impact of contemporary mental health ideologies on personal and community values, and to disseminate models of therapeutic intervention that disavow all coercion and the compromise of ethics, rationality and scientific principles.

Participants include mental health professionals, academics, and researchers from the educational and academic communities, the medical and social sciences, mental health lawyers, law professors and law students, psychiatric survivors and members of the public. It is no exaggeration to state that most attendees find the annual conferences the most stimulating, useful, intellectually challenging, and friendly meetings they ever attend. The Ninth Annual Conference will be held in Washington, D.C., and promises to be the best ever.

Presentations may include among others:

- Critical evaluation of the intersection of the "science of psychiatry" and the law
- Critiques of mental health screening: implications and practices
- Critical evaluations of parents and children's rights in schools
- Critical evaluations of parents right to decline drugging their children
- Critical evaluations of studies of non drug treatment and treatment programs
- Surveys and descriptions of past, existing and/or planned non drug treatment programs.
- Comparisons of efficacy of drug and non drug treatment programs
- Critical evaluations of the subjective experiences of people diagnosed with mental illness involved with the legal system

The proposal committee of the Ninth Annual Conference invites proposals for roundtable seminars, oral presentations, workshops and posters on any topic pertinent to **ICSPP's** educational mission including:

Presentations may consist of scholarly reviews, empirical studies, or practice descriptions. Oral presentations are 30-45 minutes long. Presenters are responsible for their registration, accommodations, and travel costs. Further details will be made available at www.icspp.org

Graduate students receive a 50% discount on registration fees and are eligible to win a \$250 cash prize for Best Student Presentation

Law students receive a 50% discount on registration fees and are eligible to win a \$500 cash prize for Best Law Student Presentation from the Law Project for Psychiatric Rights.

Psychiatric survivors are eligible to win a \$500 cash prize for Best Psychiatric Survivor Presentation from the Law Project for Psychiatric Rights.

Accepted presentations will be eligible for publication in the peer-reviewed journal of ICSPP, *Ethical Human Psychology and Psychiatry: An International Journal of Critical Inquiry*. Indexed in *PsychInfo*, *Sociological Abstracts*, *EMBASE/Excerpta Medica* and *Medline* (<http://www.springerpub.com/journal.aspx?jid=1523-150X>)

CEU credits will be available for those attending this conference.

Submission of Abstracts
9th Annual ICSPP Conference
Washington

Your presentation must include the following elements:

1. Oral presentation, seminar or poster
2. Title of presenter: Dr., Prof., Mr., Mrs., Ms., no title
3. Last name, First name, Initial
4. Highest academic degree
5. Affiliation
6. Full mailing address
7. Telephone and Fax
8. Email
9. Title of presentation
10. Aims and contents of presentation (for inclusion in program handbook: do not exceed 150 words.)
11. Biography of presenter (for inclusion in program handbook: name, profession, experience, interests, accomplishments – do not exceed 80 words)
12. Audiovisual aids required

Send by email and as Word attachment only to:

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Deadline for Submission June 15th, 2006