

APA Designation Committee for Postdoctoral Education and Training Programs in  
Psychopharmacology for Prescriptive Authority

**Virtual Meeting Minutes**  
**Open Session**  
**Friday, September 20, 2024**

**Present:** Gerardo Rodriguez-Menendez, PhD, ABPP, MSCP (Chair); Elizabeth A. Lonning, PsyD, MSCP (Vice-Chair); Ronald T. Brown, PhD; Darlyne G. Nemeth, PhD, MP, MPAP, CGP; Derek C. Phillips, PsyD, MSCP, ABMP; Philippe W. Petrus, DMSc, PA-C

**Absent:** None

**APA Staff Present:** Deborah C. Baker, JD; Sue Orsillo, PhD; Allison Gillens, MPS

**2:45 PM (ET):** Gerardo Rodriguez-Menendez, PhD, ABPP, MSCP (Chair) convened the open session.

**Agenda Item 04: Update on RxP Legislative Efforts**

Deborah Baker, JD, Director of Legal & Regulatory Policy at APA, provided committee members with an overview about current RxP legislative and regulatory efforts around the country.

**Agenda Item 05: Election of RxP Designation Committee Chair and Vice Chair for 2025**

The RxP Designation Committee was asked to select a Chair and Vice-Chair for 2025. Drs. Gerardo Rodriguez-Menendez and Elizabeth Lonning expressed their interest in being Chair. Dr. Derek Phillips stated his interest in serving as Vice Chair.

Action: The committee requests that Drs. Rodriguez-Menendez and Lonning provide additional information to help them decide on who to serve as Chair. After receiving these materials, the committee will vote electronically to elect Chair and Vice Chair positions. APA staff will follow up with the committee about next steps regarding the elections process as well as what additional information is needed from nominees.

**Agenda Item 06: Next Meeting Date**

The RxP Designation Committee was asked to set the date for its annual 2025 meeting.

Action: The committee selected September 19 and 26, 2025 as their annual meeting dates.

**Agenda Item 07: APA Convention 2024/2025**

Dr. Rodriguez-Menendez facilitated a discussion about whether the committee would like to submit another proposal for next year's convention. To help promote the convention program to potential RxP students, the committee discussed connecting with the American Psychological Association of Graduate Students (APAGS) and early career psychologists (ECPs).

Action: Dr. Rodriguez-Menendez will follow up with committee members about the next steps on brainstorming a proposal. APA staff will inform the committee once the call for proposals is open in December.

**End of open session minutes**