

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

Virtual Meeting Minutes
Open Session
Friday, September 19, 2025

Present: Gerardo Rodriguez-Menendez, PhD, ABPP, MSCP (Chair); Elizabeth A. Lonning, PsyD, MSCP (Chair); Derek C. Phillips, PsyD, MSCP, ABMP (Vice Chair); Philippe W. Petrus, DMSc, PA-C; Cynthia A. Crawford, PhD

APA Staff Present: Deborah C. Baker, JD; Robin McLeod, PhD; Allison Gillens, MPS

1:30PM (ET) – Absent (remainder of meeting): Ronald T. Brown, PhD

3:30PM (ET) – Meeting convened into open session.

Agenda Item 08: 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 09: Election of RxP Designation Committee Chair and Vice Chair for 2026

The RxP Designation Committee was asked to select a Chair and Vice Chair for 2026. Dr. Phillips expressed interest in serving as Chair. Dr. Crawford volunteered to serve as Vice Chair.

Action: The committee voted to approve Dr. Phillips as the 2026 Chair and Dr. Crawford as the 2026 Vice Chair.

Agenda Item 10: Next Meeting Date

The RxP Designation Committee was asked to set the date for its annual 2026 meeting.

Action: The committee selected September 25 and October 2, 2026 as their annual meeting dates.

Agenda Item 11: APA Convention 2025/2026

The Committee discussed whether they would like to submit another proposal for next year's convention. At APA 2025, several psychopharmacology programs hosted a joint information session where potential students could learn more about their programs. For members who are interested in submitting a proposal, it was encouraged that they submit to Division 55.

End of open session minutes