

Fellowship Criteria

Division 55

American Society for the Advancement of Pharmacotherapy

In keeping with the Bylaws and membership criteria of the Division, individuals considered for Fellowship must provide evidence of unusual and outstanding contributions to Psychopharmacotherapeutic practice at the national level.

Evidence of unusual and outstanding contributions may be seen in the member's direct therapeutic services, in consultation, education or administrative arenas, through leadership and contributions within professional associations, involvement in governance, legislative or regulatory activities at the local, state, regional or national level, or in scholarly work, including but not limited to workshops or presentations at professional meetings, research or publications. In all instances, the Division's Fellows Committee and the Board of Directors must concur that the candidate's evidence demonstrates an outstanding contribution.

Evidence which could meet this standard of excellence may include:

1. advancing the appropriate expansion of the scope of psychological practice through focused and concerted advocacy efforts and/or within systems of health care delivery;
2. recognition for leadership in addressing issues relating to psychopharmacotherapy practice in professional meetings and/or other public settings (e.g. legislatures, public forums sponsored by mental health consumer groups, etc), and/or through serve on national committees, task forces, steering groups, or other similar panels;
3. having established or directed an organized and recognized program for the education and training of psychologists in psychopharmacotherapy practice; or, having participated as an instructor or supervisor in such programs or other continuing education programs at a level beyond the usual demands of such a position (e.g. in a manner which would have national impact; traveling to various such programs as a guest lecturer; covering a unique area of application within the psychopharmacotherapy arena etc.);
4. public recognition (e.g. awards, honorary titles, invited address, etc.) as an authority and/or leader in the arena of psychopharmacotherapy for psychologists;
5. author or co-author of scholarly work(s) in peer reviewed or refereed publications, which are recognized as having a major or national impact and/or having been a guiding influence on the immediate or future aspects of this area of practice, r which has lead to advancement of this area of practice in curricular, regulatory or legislative, or socio-political arenas, which may include public education and information;

6. advancing the knowledge area within psychopharmacotherapy through:
leadership in a specific and unique area of investigation or research, encouraging and/or
mentoring other psychological investigators within this area of study, or participation I
review panels or grant preparation which facilitates the recognition of psychologists'
general practice and/or unique practice in this area.