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To all WSPA members

Dear colleagues:

“The time has come, the Walrus said, to speak of many things...” The thing of which I speak today is my retirement. I have notified the WSPA Board of Trustees that I will retire as your Director of Professional Affairs as of December 31, 2018.

I’ve been representing WSPA members for almost 25 years. It is probably past time for a psychologist who represents a next generation of colleagues to step into this position. When I started this job, widespread managed care, integrated care, even mental health parity were barely glimmers on the clinical horizon. Most of us were solo practitioners. Things have changed!

This job has allowed me the opportunity to work in the two areas I enjoy the most: psychology and political science; and I feel so blessed to have stumbled upon the opportunity to represent the most thoughtful people I know. Your expertise makes representing you such a pleasure. Clinical work is difficult. I have endeavored to make the administrative side of practice a little easier. I hope I have succeeded most of the time!

I fully expect that the WSPA Board will notify the membership soon as to how they will conduct a search for a new DPA. I have told them that I am more than willing to assist in that process, and to “train” my replacement. Meanwhile, I am on the job until the end of this year.

Thank you all so much.

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