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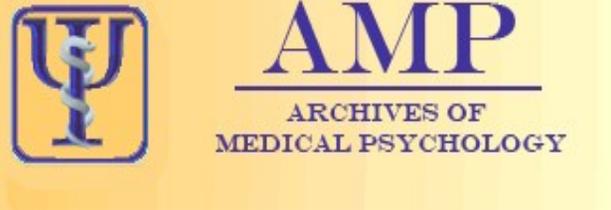
## Academy of Medical Psychology

The Academy is a voluntary, not-for-profit organization that **registers specialist psychologists** who have completed a designated course of training and experience in behavioral medicine, psychopharmacology and related sciences. The Academy is also involved with **developing and promoting standards** of practice, **enhancing education**, and promoting **legislative advocacy**. These functions occur mainly in the area of primary care, hospitals, nursing homes, residential care centers, and other sites of “integrated care.” These medical facilities provide required staffing by psychologists to provide the combined psychotherapy skills and psychopharmacological expertise to meet the diverse needs of specialty healthcare.

It is the intention of AMP to be helpful to State and Provincial Boards and facilities by identifying doctoral level psychologists who have completed an organized program of training in psychopharmacology.

The practice of **medical psychology** involves a broad spectrum of psychological services including diagnosis, treatment, and the recommendation and/or prescription and administration of psychotropic medications within the scope of the practice of the profession.

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## Psychology's Prescription for Comprehensive Mental Healthcare

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## Seven Valuable Reasons to Join the Academy

1. The Academy is an **innovative organization** for practicing psychologists interested in training in pharmacotherapy and behavioral medicine. AMP is working to unify the emerging field of Medical Psychology and mainstream health facility and Prescriptive Authority for Psychologists..
2. The Academy **registers graduates** of psychopharmacology training programs seeking behavioral medicine expertise who are doctoral level licensed psychologists. The AMP registry functions as a resource and **clearinghouse of information** to the national practitioner association ([www.nappp.org](http://www.nappp.org)), American Psychological Association, State and Provincial Psychology Boards, and other regulatory bodies and associations.
3. The Academy is an invaluable **resource** to you regarding the currently available psychopharmacology training programs, as you make decisions to begin or continue training in medical psychology.
4. The Academy provides you with a **subscription to The Archives of Medical Psychology**, a new peer-reviewed journal with articles of clinical importance to Medical Psychologists and Pharmacopsychologists, and **our newsletter (The AMP)**.
5. The Academy sends you an **electronic copy of The National Register of Medical Psychologists**, a list of registrants, registered psychopharmacology programs, and registered preceptorship-training programs.
6. The Academy provides you with useful information and relevant links on our **web site: [www.AMPhome.org](http://www.AMPhome.org)**
7. The Academy sponsors an **Annual AMP Clinical Meeting** where you may earn the required continuing education units and network with other medical psychologists and pharmaceutical representatives. Discounts are available to Academy members.

## For which category of AMP/ ABMP Membership do you qualify?

There are four opportunities to join in **AMP activities that involve different** designations in Medical Psychology.

### **Medical Psychologist (American Board of Medical Psychology Diplomate).**

**Fellow** of the Academy of Medical Psychology.

**Member of the Academy of Medical Psychology**, or **Student Member** of the Academy of Medical Psychology, someone interested in the area, but not qualified for diplomate status at this time.

**Qualifications for each of these AMP Membership categories are described** on our website at [www.AMPhome.org](http://www.AMPhome.org).

- **Medical Psychologist (MP)** - Has fulfilled the APA model guidelines for training in Psychopharmacology and has additional training in behavioral medicine and working in healthcare facilities in the areas noted above, has completed a prescribing or consulting (LIII, or LII) preceptorship, and has passed an oral and a written examination.
- **Academy of Medical Psychology**-this is a society of those interested in medical psychology and psychopharmacology and advancement of the field, or are in training in the areas subsumed in medical psychology.

## **Academy Membership: an important way to prepare for your future in psychology**

As professional psychology continues to evolve, it is now essential for psychologists to demonstrate a solid understanding of the pharmacology of mental disorders. Psychologists are increasingly called upon to serve as knowledgeable collaborators in the medication management of their patients. Furthermore, as a result of strong national leadership and grass root efforts, psychologists are gathering increasing support and momentum for the expansion of our scope of practice to include prescriptive authority.

Many psychologists have completed post-doctoral training in psychopharmacology, while many others are in the process. The Medical Psychologist (MP) designation certifies your training in this field and unites you with other psychologists who are helping to shape the future of psychology.

Consider again the many important benefits of AMP Membership — Professional Development, Networking, Legislative Advocacy and Updates, Clinical Information, Recognition of your Training, and Representation to your State Board to name but a few. You want your training to matter and you know that Prescriptive Authority will allow you to be of greater service to your patients. Join AMP and work together with us to accomplish our goals.