



American Association of Community Psychiatrists

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Dear Community and Public Psychiatrist,

We are excited to offer you the opportunity to obtain AACCP Board Certification in Community and Public Psychiatry. This is an excellent way to demonstrate your knowledge of community psychiatry and person-centered psychiatric care.

The American Psychiatric Association is hosting and co-offering the AACCP Board Certification Exam with the AACCP. The 2018 testing window is open and ends 12/31/18. The information on the exam content and how to apply are accessible at:

<https://sites.google.com/view/aacp123/training-consultation/aacp-board-certification>

There are now three pathways to sit for the exam for certification:

In order to meet criteria to take the exam, you must have graduated from an American College of Graduate Medical Education (ACGME) accredited adult residency training program*** AND meet criteria of either #1, #2 or #3:

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(1) completed a fellowship training in public, community, or community service psychiatry*.

(2) worked in a public or community psychiatry setting for at least five years for an average of at least 50% of full time (or \geq 20 hours per week) after completing adult psychiatry residency training**.

(3) worked in a public or community psychiatry setting for at least two years for an average of full time (or $>$ 35 hours per week) after completing adult psychiatry residency training**.

For AACP members, the fee is \$250.00 to sit for the 2018 exam. For psychiatrists who do not wish to become an AACP member, the fee is \$400 to sit for the 2018 exam.

*Approved fellowship programs are at least 11 months in duration and provide education, supervision, clinical, research or administrative opportunities in public or community psychiatry. For a reference of approved fellowships, please see:

<https://sites.google.com/view/aacp123/training-consultation/fellowship-training-opportunities>

or contact Dr. Jules Ranz jmr1@cumc.columbia.edu if you have completed a public psychiatry fellowship described as above and the program is not on the list.

**Public or community settings are those in which the majority of funding is derived from public funds such as Medicaid, medicare, grant funding, government funds or non-profit organizational funding. Work may include clinical, administrative, educational or research activities in public psychiatry. Services primarily funded by private fees or private insurance do NOT qualify as public or community setting.

***For psychiatrists who graduated from non ACGME programs whose programs later obtained ACGME accreditation, please email tony.carino@gmail.com to apply for a waiver from the board to sit for the exam.

Regards,

Tony Carino, MD

Board Member

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