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SOCIETY OF PROFESSORS OF CHILD PSYCHIATRY

Purpose. to encourage discussion and exchanges at all levels with heads of Divisions of Child Psychiatry.

Membership. Open to all medical schools, specifically to those having Divisions of Child Psychiatry.

Recent Activities. A meeting was held in San Francisco on April 2-4, 1976. The featured speakers were Dr. Tom Anders of Stanford, who reported on his research on the need seen by pediatricians to include child psychiatry in their training programs, and Dr. Irving Philips of the University of California. There were presentations from a number of different child psychiatry centers, including the UCLA program. Workshops dealt with core curricula, research elements in training programs, the importance of community relationships and of the inclusion of the training program in consultations with the community.

Immediately after the San Francisco meeting, another meeting was held in Silverado, California on 4-7 April, 1976 under the auspices of the Committee on Certification in Child Psychiatry of the American Board of Psychiatry and Neurology. All training directors in child psychiatry, committee and Board members were invited. Discussions centered around research in the last three years by the Committee on Certification in Child Psychiatry, and what kinds of communication should be distributed to make the training process more definitive.

The next meeting of the Society of Professors of Child Psychiatry will be 18-20 March, 1977 in Key Biscayne, Florida.

As always, the program is defined by the heads of Divisions of Child and Adolescent Psychiatry within that region. The Chairman of this non-organization is Henry Work, M.D., and the Steering Committee along with him consists of Edwin Kessler, Jerry Weiner, Merritt Eagan, John Ice and Joseph Cramer.

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