

MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING ON COLLABORATION
BETWEEN

Indo American Psychiatric Association (IAPA)

And

The Indian Psychiatric Society (IPS)

Indo-American Psychiatric Association (hereinafter referred to as IAPA) is a not for profit organization to provide psychiatrists of Asian Indian American origin, a forum to accomplish the following objectives:

- Consolidate professional identity
- Develop skills in addressing the multicultural mental health needs
- Establish a network for the exchange of information
- Facilitate mentorship in fulfilling professional aspirations
- Leave a legacy for subsequent generations

Whereas the Indian Psychiatric Society (hereinafter referred to as "IPS"), a registered society under the Indian Societies Act (registration No. 1420/2000) has the following objectives:

- Promote and advance the subject of Psychiatry and allied sciences in all their different branches.
- Promote the improvement of the mental health of the people and mental health education.
- Promote prevention, control, treatment, and relief of all Psychiatric disabilities.
- Formulate and advise on the standards of education and training for medical and auxiliary personnel in Psychiatry and recommend adequate teaching facilities for the purpose.
- Promote research in the field of Psychiatry and mental health.
- Propagate the principles of Psychiatry and current development in Psychiatric thought.
- Deal with any matters relating to mental health concerning the country and to do all other things as are cognate to the subjects of the Indian Psychiatric Society.
- Safeguard the interest of Psychiatrists and fellow professionals in India.
- Promote ethical standards in the practice of Psychiatry in India.

IAPA and IPS wish to collaborate in their respective fields of mutual professional interest.

Therefore, the parties hereby agree to sign a memorandum of understanding (MoU) on professional collaboration, which will permit the exchange of experience and the organization of joint activities, in close collaboration, pursuant to the following fundamental objectives:

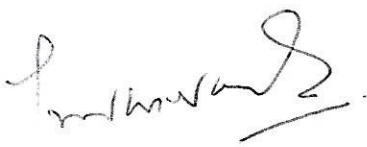
1. To establish close collaboration in the field of mental health in the U.S. and India. In this regard, IPS will recognize IAPA as an intellectual partner at the Annual Conference of Indian Psychiatric Society (ANCIPS) and IAPA will reciprocate this intellectual partnership at IAPA Annual Conference every year until the duration of this memorandum is valid.
2. IAPA and IPS will facilitate a scientific dialogue between the two organizations at their respective Annual Conferences. As part of the MoU, there will be an IAPA symposium at ANCIPS and a Guest Lecture by the IPS President (or designee) at IAPA Annual scientific/educational meeting, each year. The details of each symposium will be agreed upon by respective Presidents' in advance of the conferences.
3. Facilitate exchange of scientific ideas, undergraduate and postgraduate teaching, and training in psychiatry between IAPA and IPS.
4. Work collaboratively to promote high ethical standards in the practice of Psychiatry and in psychiatric research.
5. Work collaboratively to improve mental health awareness in the public in the USA and India.
6. Work collaboratively to improve understanding and exchange expertise in human rights and mental health legislation in the USA and India.
7. Whilst there will be no financial transaction between the two organizations both IAPA and IPS will offer complimentary registration for attending annual conferences to their respective current President or designee. As a matter of cordiality, the two organizations will ensure availability of accommodations close to the conference venue for the duration of the conference for the visiting presidents and their teams up to 5 rooms. Neither IAPA nor IPS will pay for international travel, local travel, or accommodations.
8. IAPA and IPS will offer reciprocal discounted conference registration to IAPA and IPS members at IAPA Conference and ANCIPS. For example, at ANCIPS the conference registration rates for IAPA members will be the same as those for IPS members and vice versa registration (banquet) for IPS members will be the same as those for IAPA members.

Financial Liability

No financial liability will arise for IAPA or for the IPS under this Agreement.

Terms of Memorandum of Understanding (MoU)

The MoU will be valid for a 3 years term unless terminated by either party at any time before the end of the term, subject to three months' prior written notice and the settlement of any outstanding obligations. This MoU will be reviewed regularly by the two organizations and can be renewed at the end of the 3 years for a further period of 2 years. This MoU supersedes any previous agreements between the IAPA and IPS.



Signed on behalf of
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President and Current EC
Indo American Psychiatric Society
by Tarak Vasavada, MD.
Treasurer of IAPA on 01/22/2021



PK Dalal, MD
President
Indian Psychiatric Society
Signed on 01/22/2021

