

# SOCIETY OF PEDIATRIC PSYCHOLOGY FALL VIRTUAL CONFERENCE

Sustaining Excellence in Pediatric Psychology:  
Advancing Evidence-Based Practices through Clinical  
and Community Partnerships



Hosted by the SPP Science and Practice Committee

## Agenda

### Wednesday, September 17

- Virtual Internships and Fellowships on Parade: 6:00pm-7:00pm ET

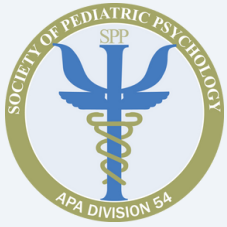
### Thursday, September 18:

- Pre-Conference Workshop: 4:00pm-6:00pm ET (2 CE)

### Friday, September 19:

- **Session 1:** 10:00am-12:00pm ET (2 CE)
- **Student Mentoring Lunch:** 12:00pm-1:00pm ET
- **Session 2:** 1:00pm-3:00pm ET (2 CE)
- **Session 3:** 3:30pm-5:30pm ET (2 CE)





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The fourth annual Fall Virtual Conference is a one-day conference with three 2-hour sessions. Each session consists of a plenary speaker followed by 2 symposia speakers. Please [visit the website](#) for additional information about Continuing Education, sessions, and speakers.

The 2025 Fall Virtual Conference aims to:

- Dedicate a full day of learning about high impact areas of pediatric psychology research produced by SPP research leaders who come from diverse research backgrounds such as treatment and interventions, clinical outcomes, adherence, health disparities, and professional development.
- Provide a forum for discussion of current community-engaged research directions and to consider how research informs evidence-based clinical practice, service delivery, health equity, and policy decisions.
- Increase attendees' awareness of current advancements in equity, diversity, and inclusion in the field of pediatric psychology and considerations for their own work.

### Additional Events

**Internships and Fellowships on Parade** (*back by popular demand!*)

**Wednesday, September 17 at 6:00pm-7:00pm ET**

This event provides students and trainees the opportunity to connect with pediatric psychology internship and fellowship programs. Students and trainees can drop into virtual breakout rooms to learn more about each program.

**Pre-Conference Workshop** (*new this year!*)

**Thursday, September 18 at 4:00pm-6:00pm ET**

This pre-conference workshop allows attendees to interact with plenary presenters. The workshop is limited to the first 100 registrants.

**Student Mentoring Lunch**

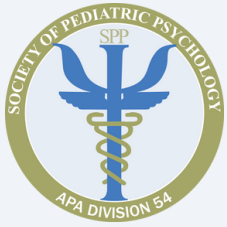
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Hosted by the Student Advisory Board, students and trainees are able to meet and network with leaders in the field of pediatric psychology during this event.

### Continuing Education

The Society of Pediatric Psychology is approved by the American Psychological Association to sponsor continuing education for psychologists. The Society of Pediatric Psychology maintains responsibility for this program and its contents.

The Society of Pediatric Psychology (Division 54 of the American Psychological Association) is recognized by the New York State Education Department's State Board for Psychology as an approved provider of continuing education for licensed psychologists #PSY-0279.



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Session 1:  
10:00am-12:00pm ET



10:00am-11:00am

## **PLENARY**

**Community Engagement and Implementation of Home and School-based Asthma Interventions**

**Beth McQuaid, PhD, ABPP**

*Introduction by Annie Chuning*



11:00am-11:20am

## **SYMPOSIA**

**Patient and Community Partnership is Essential to the Advancement of Pediatric Psychology Research, Care, and Policy**

**Kathryn Birnie, PhD, RPsych**



11:20am-11:40am

## **SYMPOSIA**

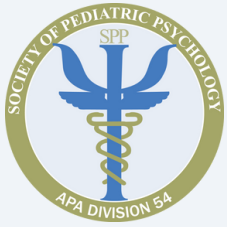
**Youth as Co-Designers: Building Stronger Community Health Interventions Together**

**Kristine Durkin, PhD**

11:40am-12:00pm

## **Q&A**

*Moderated by Kate Gamwell, PhD*



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Session 2:  
1:00pm-3:00pm ET



1:00pm-2:00pm

## **PLENARY**

**Advancing Pediatric and Behavioral Health Through Community Engagement and Participatory Research**

**Monica Mitchell, PhD**

*Introduction by Brenda Duran*



2:00pm-2:20pm

## **SYMPOSIA**

**Engaging Patient Organizations as Partners in Research, Programming, Education, and Advocacy: Endless Possibilities**

**Christina Salley, PhD**



2:20pm-2:40pm

## **SYMPOSIA**

**From Subjects to Stakeholders: Integrating Bereaved Parent Voices in Pediatric Psychology Research**

**Sarah McCarthy, PhD, MPH, ABPP**

2:40pm-3:00pm

## **Q&A**

*Moderated by Kendra Parris, PhD*



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Session 3:  
3:30pm-5:30pm ET



3:30pm-4:30pm

## PLENARY

**Reimagining Evidence and Equity in Pediatric Psychology: What Counts as Science and for Whom?**

**Jessica Valenzuela, PhD, ABPP**

*Introduction by Francesca Lupini, MS*



4:30pm-4:50pm

## SYMPOSIA

**Developing an Intervention to Reduce Provider Implicit Bias in Pediatric Sickle Cell Disease**

**Siddika Mulchan, PsyD**



4:50pm-5:10pm

## SYMPOSIA

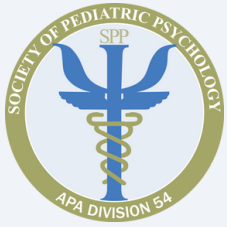
**The Role of the Citizen Psychologist During Challenging Times**

**Naadira Upshaw, PsyD, ABPP**

5:10pm-5:30pm

## Q&A

*Moderated by Anjana Jagpal, PhD*



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