May 2016 Newsletter

Dear IADR BEHSR Group Members,

Following is important news from the IADR BEHSR. This newsletter four important elements:

1. BEHSR Elections
2. IADR Epi-Forum Call for Papers and BEHSR Events
3. Scholarship Announcement
4. Position Announcements
5. Final Comments from the Secretary-Treasurer

I. Elections

Dear BEHSR members,

Once again this year we are conducting the election of officers using SurveyMonkey. We have candidates for the office of Symposium Coordinator. As there is only one candidate each for the office of North American Director and International Director, election for these will be uncontested. The candidates are approved by the Nominations Committee. Their biographies are found at the end of this email, and are also embedded in the ballot.

Voting will open on 4th May 2016 and will close at 5PM GMT, on Friday 27th May 2016.

In order to vote, click on this link, or cut and paste it into your browser:
https://www.surveymonkey.co.uk/r/FFTKWPD

See you all in Seoul

Professor Sarah Baker, Immediate past president

Two nominees for the office of Symposium Co-coordinator: Lisa Heaton, Tim Newton

Lisa J. Heaton, PhD
Clinical Assistant Professor, Department of Oral Health Sciences, University of Washington School of Dentistry

Dr. Heaton is a clinical psychologist whose work in oral health began during her graduate training at the University of Kentucky, where her research and clinical work focused on both dental fear and psychosocial stressors related to chronic orofacial pain. As both a postdoctoral fellow and faculty member at the University of Washington (UW) School of Dentistry, her research has focused on the treatment of dental fear and phobia, psychometric properties of pain and anxiety measures, and oral health disparities. Her past K23 award from the NIH/National Institute of Dental Institute (NIDCR)
includes assessing unmet dental need in mentally adults and engaging non-dental healthcare professionals in providing oral health recommendations to this and other vulnerable groups. Dr. Heaton maintains a clinical practice in both the UW Dental Fears Research Clinic and Oral Medicine Clinical Services, focusing on patients with anxiety disorders and chronic pain. She also directs a course in the behavioral management of dentally fearful and phobic patients, and lectures throughout the UW dental curriculum on patient management issues. She has been a BEHSR group member since her first IADR meeting in 2002, and served BEHSR as North American Director from 2013-2016. Dr. Heaton would be proud to continue to serve BEHSR as Symposium Coordinator to continue the group’s outstanding record of encouraging and promoting excellent transdisciplinary research.

**Tim Newton, PhD**
Professor of Psychology as Applied to Dentistry, King’s College London Dental Institute
My name is Tim Newton and my current role is as Professor of Psychology as Applied to Dentistry at King’s College London Dental Institute, and I also work as an Honorary Consultant Health Psychologist position with Guy’s & St Thomas’ NHS Foundation Trust. I work in a team of 7 full time psychologists undertaking teaching and research in the dental field. We also provide a psychology service for individuals with dental anxiety, and those with chronic oro-facial pain. I have worked in the behavioural sciences in relation to dentistry since 1992, and my particular interests include the management of dental anxiety, interventions to enhance oral health related behaviour and the working life of the dental team. I am a regular presenter and attender at IADR conferences, and have always enjoyed meeting with many colleagues over the years. In 2010 I was delighted to serve as President of BEHSR, but I was never fortunate enough to act as symposium co-ordinator. I would be delighted and honoured to have the opportunity to serve in this capacity.

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**One nominee for the office of North American Director: Ananda Dasanayake**
Dr. Ananda P. Dasanayake, BDS, MPH, PhD, FACE is Professor of Epidemiology in the New York University College of Dentistry. He also holds appointments in the Department of Epidemiology of Johns Hopkins University Bloomberg School of Public Health, in the College of Global Public Health, and the School of Medicine Comprehensive Cancer Center at the New York University. He is a Fellow of the American College of Epidemiology and the American Association of Dental Research. He has been the Director of the Graduate Program in Clinical Research at the New York University College of Dentistry since January 2002. He has received research funding from NIH, CDC, and industry and has authored or co-authored over 70 manuscripts and presented over 95 abstracts at various meetings. He was a member of the Journal of Dental Research Editorial Board and has served on NIH study sections. He served the BEHSR as the Symposium Coordinator (2015) and Group Program Chair (2016). Dr. Dasanayake received the Lynn Henley Outstanding Achievement Award (1993) for the Best International Graduate Student from the University of Alabama at Birmingham, the William J Guys Award (1994) from the Journal of Dental Research (co-author) and, is a member of Omicron Kappa Upsilon Dental Honor Society, Delta Omega Public Health Honor Society, and the Phi Beta Delta International Honor Society. He was a visiting professor at the Faculty of Dental Sciences of the Peradeniya University in Sri Lanka, School of Dentistry in Khon Kaen University, Thailand, University of Technology in Jamaica, and the Department of Oral Medicine in the King’s College School of Dentistry in London. He received his dental degree from the University of Peradeniya, Sri Lanka (1980), and MPH (1988) and PhD (1993) degrees in epidemiology from the University of Alabama at Birmingham School of Public Health, USA.

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**One nominee for the office of International Director: Kostas Kapellas**
I have been a member of IADR & BEHSR since 2013. My research interests are relatively broad and involve investigating the relationship between periodontal and systemic diseases in adults but equally, I
have a strong interest in reducing inequalities among Indigenous Australians. I am originally trained as an oral health therapist (dental hygienist & dental therapist) but left formal clinical practice as of 2012 to complete my PhD in Dentistry. I have been involved with The University of Adelaide’s Australian Research Centre for Population Oral Health since 2007 and currently work there as an NHMRC Early Career Fellow and am also the Deputy Director of the Indigenous Oral Health Unit. To date, I have 14 peer-reviewed publications and have presented eight oral abstracts at conferences. I have been involved in undergraduate teaching of Evidence-Based dentistry at The University of Adelaide since 2008.

2. Upcoming IADR Meeting

IADR Oral Epidemiology (Epi) Forum

All BEHSR members (and other IADR attendees) are invited and encouraged to attend the 2016 IADR Oral Epi-Forum, which will be held as a BEHSR-sponsored AADR/CADR satellite symposium in Seoul on Tuesday, June 21, 2016, 1:00-4:00 PM.

The annual BEHSR Epi-forums provide an opportunity for emerging researchers to present their work to a body of experts in a friendly and collaborative environment. Submissions for the 2016 Seoul Epi-Forum, which will be held from 1 p.m. to 4 p.m. on Tuesday June 21 (prior to the IADR 94th General Session), are now open.

Organized by Lisa Jamieson and Woosung Sohn, keynote speakers include:
- Professor Newell Johnson; Epidemiology of oral cancer/HIV-related oral manifestations in Asia Pacific Region
- Dr. Brenda Heaton; Complex Systems Sciences with respect to oral cancer and HIV
- Professor Belinda Nicolau; Head and Neck Cancer and Lifecourse epidemiology

Abstracts are encouraged from current students/early career researchers, focusing on a specific methodological issue/problem. Submitting an additional abstract for the Seoul Epi-Forum when abstracts have been accepted for the main body of the conference is acceptable providing the content of both is sufficiently different.

Abstracts should be no more than 300 words, include a title and encompass the headings: Introduction, Methods, Results, Conclusion.

Additional information includes: Name of student/post-doctoral fellow, Training program (if applicable), Affiliation, Name of mentor/supervisor, three questions for discussion and a statement that the work has not been previously presented or published.

Please email abstracts to lisa.jamieson@adelaide.edu.au. Closing date is May 13, 2016.

There will be an informal, self-paying dinner held at a local venue following the Epi-Forum. To confirm attendance at this dinner, please contact Woosung Sohn on woosung@bu.edu.

BEHSR Keynote Addresses at IADR

George Tsakos (University College London, England)
Academic Legacy of Aubrey Sheiham and Future Directions in Dental Research
Jostein Grytten (University of Oslo, Norway)

Incentives and Remuneration Systems in Dental Services

**BEHSR-Sponsored Symposia at IADR**

**A Sociological/Anthropological Perspective on Oral Health Inequalities**

**Sponsored by:** Behavioral, Epidemiologic, and Health Services Research, Global Oral Health Inequalities Research Network, Oral Health Research

**Organizers:** Barry Gibson (University of Sheffield, United Kingdom), Rebecca Harris (University of Liverpool, Cheshire, United Kingdom) & Lisa Jamieson (University of Adelaide, SA, Australia)

**Advancing the Global Agenda for HPV and Oral Cancer**

**Sponsored by:** Oral Medicine & Pathology, Behavioral, Epidemiologic, and Health Services Research

**Organizers:** Saskia Estupinan-Day (Pan American Health Organization/WHO, Washington, MD, USA) & Eduardo Franco (Mcgill University, Montreal, Quebec, Canada)

**Dental Care-Related Fear/Anxiety Research: International Perspectives**

**Sponsored by:** Behavioral, Epidemiologic, and Health Services Research, Oral Health Research, Pediatric Oral Health Research

**Organizers:** Daniel W. McNeil (West Virginia University, Morgantown, USA) & Jason Mathew Armfield (Australian Research Centre for Population Oral Health, Adelaide)

**Oral Health Behavioral Initiatives that work for Global Indigenous Populations**

**Sponsored by:** Global Oral Health Inequalities Research Network, Behavioral, Epidemiological & Health Services Research, Women in Science Network

**Organizers:** Judith Albino (University of Colorado, Aurora, USA) & Tamanna Tiwari (University of Colorado, Aurora, USA)

**Retention of Teeth, Nutrition Status and Oral Health Related Quality of Life**

**Sponsored by:** Geriatric Oral Research, Behavioral, Epidemiologic, and Health Services Research, Nutrition Research

**Organizers:** Haiping Tan (The University of Adelaide, Australia) & Gerald John McKenna (Queens University Belfast, United Kingdom)

**Setting Standards for Measuring Inequalities in Oral Health**

**Sponsored by:** Global Oral Health Inequalities Research Network, Behavioral, Epidemiologic, and Health Services Research

**Organizers:** Georgios Tsakos (University College London, London, United Kingdom) & David Williams (Bart’s and The London School of Medicine and Dentistry, England)

**BEHSR Awards to be presented at the IADR Meeting**

- IADR BEHSR Distinguished Scientist Award
- H. Trendley Dean Distinguished Scientist Award
- IADR Giddon Award for Distinguished Research in Behavioral Sciences
- IADR Aubrey Sheiham Award for Distinguished Research in Dental Public Health
- Lion Dental Student Research Award
- Outstanding student abstract award; pre-doctoral
- Outstanding student abstract award; post-doctoral
- Lois Cohen Student Travel Award

**Transition of BEHSR Officer at the IADR Meeting**
BEHSR officers will transition during the IADR meeting. Incoming officers and councillors include: Lisa Jamieson, Past President; Chris Okunseri, President; Dan McNeil President-Elect; Brenda Heaton, Secretary-Treasurer; Stuart Gansky/Kimon Divaris AADR Councilor/Alternate Councilor; George Tsakos/Belinda Nicolau, IADR Councilor/Alternate Councilor.

**BEHSR Business/Informational Meeting at IADR**
BEHSR will hold its official business meeting on Thursday, June 23, from 5:00 – 6:00 PM in the Coex Convention Center (room to be announced).

**BEHSR Reception at IADR**
The IADR meeting includes a reception which will be held immediately following the business meeting, on Thursday, June 23, from 6:00 – 7:00 PM in the same room (to be announced) as the business meeting in the Coex Convention Center. Please attend to see and network with friends and colleagues.

### 3. Scholarship Announcement

![The University Of Sheffield.]

**David Locker Scholarship in Social Science, Oral Health and Dentistry**

The School of Clinical Dentistry at the University of Sheffield is pleased to announce the David Locker Scholarship in Social Science, Oral Health and Dentistry.
The scholarship was established in 2016 as a permanent endowment thanks to a generous legacy from the estate of the late Professor David Locker. Professor David Locker completed his degree in Dentistry at the University of Sheffield in 1971. In his later career Professor Locker maintained strong links with The University of Sheffield working and publishing with colleagues in the Unit of Dental Public Health. Professor Locker’s passion was for Applied Social Science and Dental Public Health. He believed that good quality applied social science and dental public health would make a difference to the lives of patients and to oral health care in general.

The David Locker Scholarship in Social Science, Oral Health and Dentistry is an annual award starting in October 2016 and consisting of £7,400 towards tuition fees, living expenses or travel costs.

Eligibility
High calibre candidates with a background in social science and/or public health dentistry who are either (i) conducting or who are seeking to conduct postgraduate research study in the interdisciplinary field of Social Science, Oral Health and Dentistry in the School of Clinical Dentistry, University of Sheffield, or (ii) seeking to collaborate with colleagues in the Unit of Dental Public Health, School of Clinical Dentistry to facilitate new or existing research links.

Preference will be given to high calibre candidates who are finding it difficult to initiate or sustain their postgraduate research studies financially and who have high academic potential. The fund can be used for:

- Outstanding graduate students to register for a PhD in the Unit of Dental Public Health, School of Clinical Dentistry.
- Outstanding existing postgraduate students working in collaboration with the Unit of Dental Public Health, School of Clinical Dentistry who are in financial hardship in order to facilitate the completion of their PhD studies.
- Outstanding existing postgraduate students working in collaboration with the Unit of Dental Public Health, School of Clinical Dentistry to facilitate new or existing research links for data collection, analysis and/or presentations.

Selection
Awards will be made on the basis of experience, qualifications and excellent academic potential. Candidates must submit a copy of their full CV and a 2000-word supporting statement detailing their existing or planned project. The statement should include how the funds will be used as well as the anticipated impact to the wider Social Science, Oral Health and Dentistry field. The Studentship will be awarded upon the recommendation of the David Locker Scholarship panel chaired by the Head of the Person-centred and Population Oral Health Research Group, School of Clinical Dentistry, Professor Sarah Baker.

Value and duration
The value of each award is £7,400 which must be spent within one year.

Application deadline
The deadline is 5pm (GMT) on Monday 1st August 2016. Candidates must submit a copy of their full CV and supporting statement to the panel chair, Professor Sarah Baker, s.r.baker@sheffield.ac.uk.
Interested in Applying?

Please contact Professor Sarah Baker, Head, Person-centred and Population Oral Health Research Group, School of Clinical Dentistry (s.r.baker@sheffield.ac.uk) or Professor Barry Gibson, Head, Unit of Dental Public Health, School of Clinical Dentistry (b.j.gibson@sheffield.ac.uk).

4. Position Announcements

Research Fellow in the Sociology of Dental Health and Post Doctoral Researcher in the Sociology of Dental Health

The University of Limerick (UL) with over 13,000 students and 1,300 staff is an energetic and enterprising institution with a proud record of innovation and excellence in education, research and scholarship. The dynamic, entrepreneurial and pioneering values which drive UL’s mission and strategy ensures that we capitalise on local, national and international engagement and connectivity. We are renowned for providing an outstanding student experience and conducting leading edge research. Our commitment is to make a difference by shaping the future through educating and empowering our students. UL is situated on a superb riverside campus of over 130 hectares with the River Shannon as a unifying focal point. Outstanding recreational, cultural and sporting facilities further enhance this exceptional learning and research environment.

Applications are invited for the following positions:

Faculty of Arts, Humanities & Social Sciences
Department of Sociology
Research Fellow in the Sociology of Dental Health - Specific Purpose Contract

Post Doctoral Researcher in the Sociology of Dental Health - Specific Purpose Contract

Further information for applicants and application material is available online from: http://www.ul.ie/hrvacancies/

The closing date for receipt of applications is Monday, 16th May 2016. Applications must be completed online before 12 noon, Irish Standard Time on the closing date.

Please note your application must include:

A letter of introduction indicating how you meet the criteria outlined in the Job description.
A completed online Application Form (separate application forms must be submitted for each post applied for).

Please email erecruitment@ul.ie if you experience any difficulties
Applications are welcome from suitably qualified candidates.
The University is an equal opportunities employer and committed to selection on merit.
5. Final Comments

Please “like” the BEHSR Facebook page, “follow” BEHSR on Twitter, and “link” to BEHSR’s Linked-IN by clicking on each of hyperlinked addresses below.

Facebook: https://www.facebook.com/pages/BEHSR-Behavioral-Epidemiologic-and-Health-Services-Research-Group/294027314108256

Twitter: https://twitter.com/BEHSRofIADR

Linked IN: https://www.linkedin.com/manageGroupMembers?dispParts=&gid=6744057&memberLevel=PEENDING&trk=my_groups-tile-flipmgmt

I hope you will enjoy all of these mechanisms for communication within BEHSR. Fellow BEHSR members, I look forward to seeing you at the Seoul meeting!

Dan McNeil
BEHSR Secretary/Treasurer