

**First Announcement and Call for Proposals  
Northern California Psychiatric Society 50th Annual Meeting and Scientific Program  
Human Behavior in the Post Freud Era**

February 27- March 1, 2009  
The Monterey Clement, Monterey, CA

**PROPOSALS FOR WORKSHOPS, SYMPOSIA AND FILM DISCUSSIONS: Proposals need to be received by August 15<sup>th</sup> 2008 .**

The popular Friday night film series is being reconsidered. Those psychiatrists with proposals including films should also submit proposals this year.

The following is the list of topics/speakers received from the 2008 Annual Meeting and Scientific Program needs assessment:

- Pharmacodynamics and hereditary differences within this topic
- Presentations with emergent new knowledge
- Mindfulness
- Counter transference issues for therapists who can not prescribe
- Lamictal's close
- Algorithm for treating addicted patients
- Medications to treat opiates and alcohol
- New anti-craving drugs
- Treatment aspects of culture bound syndromes
- More case studies
- More vignettes
- How physician deals with patient suicide
- Follow-up on UCSF program that deals with residents and patient suicide
- Genetics in all mental illness with implications for treatment
- Predictive factors in mental illness
- ADHD spectrum illness, especially in adults
- Understanding stigma of mental illness within diverse populations
- Treatments for dementia
- Craig Risch - Schizophrenia
- Bermak and Cox - psychopharmacology
- Psychotherapy topics

**Proposal structure:** Proposals can be submitted by completing the attached CME Supplemental Form, Speaker Participation Form, and Speaker Faculty Disclosure Form. Each presentation should include content regarding cultural and linguistic competency (to meet state requirements of AB 1195\*). AB 1195 requires that CME curriculum address Cultural and Linguistic Competency in patient care with the goal of reducing health disparities among target populations. Please include any relevant information relating to age, gender, race, socio-economics, sexual orientation, religion, language, and/or ethnicity. Cultural competency means a set of integrated attitudes, knowledge, and skills that enables a health care professional or organization to care effectively for patients from diverse cultures, groups, and communities. Linguistic Competency means the ability to provide patients who do not speak English or who have limited ability to speak English, direct communication in the patient's primary language. Documentation for such information is available by visiting the US Department of Health and Human Services, Office of Minority Health website. (source <http://www.cdc.gov/omh/AMH/factsheets/mental.htm>) information on the State of California's Cultural and Linguistic Competency program can be accessed by visiting the website for the Institute for Medical Quality. (source <http://www.imq.org/imqdoc.cfm/4>).

To submit a proposal, please complete the attached speaker forms described above. These forms can also be obtained by contacting Renee Georgulas at (415) 334-2418 x105, or by downloading from [ncps.org](http://ncps.org). The deadline for submission is Friday, August 15, 2008.