

GROUP SPECIALTY COUNCIL

Request for Writer Proposals

The Group Specialty Council is seeking proposals from experienced writers for the preparation of a petition to have group designated as a specialty by the Commission for the Recognition of Specialties and Proficiencies in Professional Psychology (CRSPPP), a committee of the American Psychological Association. **Deadline: January 15, 2016.**

Background

The Group Specialty Council is the designated organization to submit the petition for specialty designation to CRSPPP. The organization is seeking professional services to write the resubmission petition prior to December 31, 2016, for consideration by CRSPPP in 2017. Collaborating organizations include The Society for Group Psychology and Group Psychotherapy (APA Division 49), the American Board of Group Psychology (ABGP), the American Group Psychotherapy Association (AGPA) and the International Board for Certification of Group Psychotherapists (IBCGP) who will share the costs for preparing the petition.

Goal: Preparation of a petition to CRSPPP for Group Psychology and Group Psychotherapy that meets all of CRSPPP's standards and principles.

This project will include:

1. Review of the existing rejected petition and CRSPPP letter citing the reasons for rejection.
2. Collaboration with individuals and working groups to rewrite the Petition for resubmission, including editing appendices of Education and Training Guidelines, Practice Guidelines, Description and Evaluation of Competencies.
3. Updates on progress to the Group Specialty Council as requested.
4. Participation in conference calls with the Council as needed.
5. Preparation of the whole petition by agreed deadline:
 - . Provide complete answers for each criterion.
 - . Ensure that 95% or more of the references are current (2005 – present).
 - . Include appropriate guidelines, competencies, and evaluation methods for each criterion where designated.
 - . Compile and organize appendices.
 - . Make requested changes after review by the Council.

Honorarium: \$15,000

Please submit to Dr. Nina Brown at nbrown@odu.edu (copy to mblock@agpa.org) the following:

- A letter expressing interest, including an overview of past experiences that will support your interest.
- A curriculum vitae or resume.
- Writing samples preferably in the field of psychology, such as self studies for accreditation, grant proposals, funded research reports to grantors, etc.