

**Bylaws of the Psychoanalytic and
Psychodynamic Psychology and Psychoanalysis
Specialty Council**
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Article I
NAME OF THE ORGANIZATION

The name of the organization is the Psychoanalytic and Psychodynamic Psychology and Psychoanalysis Specialty Council (PPPPSC).

Article II
MISSION

The purpose of the PPPPSC shall be to:

1. Facilitate communication and development of coherence and consistency of policies and procedures within the Psychoanalytic and Psychodynamic (PA/PD) specialty and Psychoanalysis subspecialty.
2. Promote quality assurance of education, training, credentialing, and practice in the specialty of PA/PD and the subspecialty of Psychoanalysis.
3. Represent the specialty of PA/PD and the subspecialty in Psychoanalysis to the Commission on Accreditation and the Commission for the Recognition of Specialties and Subspecialties in Professional Psychology of APA, and the Council of Specialties in Professional Psychology.

Article III
MEMBERSHIP

- 1) The membership of the Psychoanalytic and Psychodynamic Psychology and Psychoanalysis Specialty Council shall consist of at least two representatives from each of the co-sponsoring organizations: the American Board and Academy of Psychoanalytic and Psychodynamic Psychology (ABAPPP) specialty and subspecialty board of the American Board of Professional Psychology, and Division 39 (Society for Psychoanalysis and Psychoanalytic Psychology) of the American Psychological Association. All representatives to the council must be psychologists (except for Doctoral Graduate Student Representative) and nominated by the respective Board of Directors of the sponsoring organizations. Representatives will work for the betterment of PA/PD as a specialty and Psychoanalysis as a subspecialty within professional psychology. All representatives are full voting members. The council membership will include at least one psychologist representative from each of the following categories (and they must be nominated by one of the two sponsoring organizations):
 - a) Early Career Psychologist (Meets ABPP ECP definition)
 - b) Doctoral psychology student member of the Division 39 Graduate Student Committee
 - c) Doctoral Psychology Graduate School Training

- d) Post-doctoral residency program in PA/PD
- e) Psychoanalytic Institute training in psychoanalysis

Organizations seeking representation on the PPPPSC must be accepted by existing members unanimously by vote.

- 2) Each representative shall be appointed for a term of three years and may serve a limit of two consecutive terms. All appointments shall begin January 1.
- 3) Terms of representatives to the PPPPSC and officers thereof shall begin in January.
- 4) Representatives to the PPPPSC commit themselves to regular attendance at meetings and participation. Appointment of a new representative may be required by the PPPPSC in the case of insufficient participation by a representative.
- 5) The officers of the PPPPSC shall consist of a Chair (or Co- Chairs), and secretary/treasurer, serving three-year terms. Officers can be re-elected for consecutive terms. The Secretary/Treasurer shall serve as Chair in the absence of the Chair and perform tasks requested by the Chair. The Secretary shall take and distribute minutes of meetings within eight weeks and shall help with furthering communications. One representative may hold both the Chair and the Secretary/treasurer office.

Article IV MEETINGS

- 1. Meetings may be held at least once a year and may be held telephonically or by video conferencing.
- 2. Meetings may be attended by non-voting liaisons and observers by invitation of the PPPPSC.
- 3. The PPPPSC may address business matters outside of the regularly scheduled meetings. Votes may be conducted by telephone, mail, e-mail or fax.
- 4. A majority of all members of the PPPPSC (one more than half) shall constitute a quorum for the transaction of business at regular or special meetings.

Article V REPRESENTATIVE TO THE COUNCIL OF SPECIALTIES IN PROFESSIONAL PSYCHOLOGY

The Chair (or Co-Chair) shall serve as the PPPPSC Representative to the Council of Specialties in Professional Psychology (CoS). The term of this Representative shall be three years and reelection for one consecutive term is possible. Partial terms are not considered full-term, so that only full-terms are considered within the maximum length of representation. In a year that a new chair is elected, the previous Chair will serve through the end of the calendar year to complete the term as representative of the specialty council on CoS.

Article VI
STANDING COMMITTEES

1. Education and Training Committee will develop and maintain education and training guidelines and standards for the specialty.
2. Specialty Development Committee will work towards representing the specialty broadly and inclusively. This committee will also address issues of diversity, inclusion, and social justice within the specialty, broadly defined and representative of its constituent organizations and stakeholders.

Article VII
RULES OF ORDER

The Psychoanalysis Specialty Council shall be governed by its own bylaws; however, meetings shall be conducted according to Keesey's Modern Parliamentary Procedures (1994, Washington, DC, American Psychological Association).

Article VIII
AMENDMENTS

These Bylaws may be amended in whole or in part at any regular or special meeting of the Board upon the receipt of the written proposed Amendment by all the Specialty Council members at least thirty (30) days prior to the meeting at which the proposed Amendment is to be voted on. The approval of at least two-thirds of the entire Specialty Council is required to adopt any Amendment.

