President’s Column

As Past-President, I have agreed to take on the role of President temporarily until our membership can hold an election this coming summer/fall. Therefore, I once again have the pleasure of writing to you in this the latest installment of the newsletter.

The last 18 months have been especially challenging for CAPE. We have lost two very dear friends and long-standing members of this great organization – Dr. Paula Goering and Dr. Elliot Goldner. This edition of the newsletter contains tributes to both of them. In reading them again, I am reminded of how special they both were to all of us. I expect we will take some time at the annual meeting to reflect and celebrate on their lives and the many significant contributions they made to our field throughout their impressive careers.

I expect the most meaningful and poignant moments of reflection will come when we have a chance to share our memories over good drink and food, under less formal, more convivial circumstances. To me, our social engagements have always been an important, dare I say essential, part of the CAPE experience. However, that cannot happen unless you attend the annual meeting.

As I write this, we are but two days away from the close of the call for abstracts. I am going to take my last few allotted words to make a plea that everyone register and if possible submit an abstract for presentation, oral or poster, for this year’s congress. The long-term health and viability of CAPE rests on its member engagement. I hope you will all join me in Ottawa this fall. CAPE needs you!

John Cairney, PhD
Faculty of Kinesiology & Physical Education
University of Toronto
The 2016 Alex Leighton Award Winner

Harriet MacMillan

Harriet MacMillan is a psychiatrist and pediatrician who has conducted important research in a number of areas, with an emphasis on investigations of family violence. Currently, she is a member of the Offord Centre for Child Studies and she holds professorships in Psychiatry and Behavioural Neurosciences and in Pediatrics at McMaster University. If that wasn't enough to keep her occupied, she holds an associate membership in the Department of Health Research Methods, Evidence, and Impact there, and is the Chedoke Health Chair in Child Psychiatry.

From 1993 until 2004, Harriet served as the founding Director of the Child Advocacy and Assessment Program (CAAP) at McMaster Children’s Hospital, a multidisciplinary program committed to reducing the burden of suffering associated with family violence. She continues to see patients as an active staff member of CAAP.

Harriet’s research focuses on the epidemiology of violence against children and women; she has led many randomized controlled trials evaluating the effectiveness of approaches to preventing child maltreatment and intimate partner violence.

Harriet is the principal investigator of the CIHR-funded Centre for Research Development in Gender, Mental Health and Violence across the Lifespan, PreVAiL. This is an international Network made up of researchers in the areas of mental health, gender and violence, and of partner organizations with service, research and policy mandates in these areas. Through PreVAiL, Harriet works closely with organizations such as the Public Health Agency of Canada and the World Health Organization.

Dr MacMillan was appointed as a Member of the Order of Canada in 2016 for serving as “a leader in health research in the areas of family violence and child abuse” and, among other laudable activities, because "she worked tirelessly to improve the lives of vulnerable Canadians".

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The Alex Leighton Joint CPA-CAPE Award in Psychiatric Epidemiology

This award was created in honour of Professor Alex Leighton, a pioneer and leader of Canadian psychiatric epidemiology. Its purpose is to recognize a person or group that has contributed significantly to the advancement of Canadian psychiatric epidemiology through innovative studies, methods development, teaching or knowledge transfer. It can relate to lifelong activities or to a recent significant achievement.
**Featured Presentation**

Trading Places: Mental health among migrants and their descendants

James Kirkbride, Ph.D.
University College London

Dr Kirkbride is the Sir Henry Dale Fellow and Reader in Epidemiology, Division of Psychiatry, UCL. He received his doctorate in psychiatric epidemiology from Cambridge University in 2007.

Main interests include the social determinants of psychosis at various levels of causation across the life span.

He has a particular interest in risk for psychosis due to social, built and physical environments, and the consequent influence on migrants and their descendants.

Current research includes epidemiological studies of first episode psychosis such as the Social Epidemiology of Psychoses in East Anglia study (SEPEA) and studies of Gene-Environment Interactions as part of the European network [EU-GEI]. More on these at [www.psylife.eu](http://www.psylife.eu).

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**Details & Call For Abstracts**

Wednesday, Sept. 13, 2017
Desmarais Hall - University of Ottawa
55 Laurier Avenue East
Ottawa, Ontario

Submit your paper or poster abstracts by June 16, 2017

Two awards of $200 will be given to the students who make the best oral and poster presentations.

Registration/abstract forms are appended

Submit to: CAPE2017ACEP@gmail.com

Symposium highlights include:

- the 2017 Leighton Award
- the strong array of paper and poster presentations from CAPE members
- awarding of the top student oral & poster presentations
- the invited presentation
- dinner at a fine local restaurant.

Coordinator:
Dr Ian Colman (icolman@uottawa.ca)
Of my many contributions to this newsletter, this is unquestionably the hardest one I have ever written. As most of you will surely know by now, our President, our dear friend and colleague, Elliot Goldner, passed away this past November.

Dr. Elliot Goldner (MD, FRCPC (Psychiatry), MHSc) was a psychiatrist, professor, Associate Dean (Research) and Director of the Centre for Applied Research in Mental Health and Addictions (CARMHA) in the Faculty of Health Sciences at SFU.

He was a founding member of the Faculty and he took great delight in watching the impressive growth and achievements of the organization he worked so hard to build. Elliot began his career in psychiatry working to help those with mental health and addiction problems in Vancouver’s Eastside. As an advocate and scholar, he worked tirelessly on issues related to mental health services and policy in British Columbia and Canada. He served, for example, as Chair of the Science Advisory Committee of the Mental Health Commission of Canada. Elliot also played a major role in the RAMHPS program, a national network training program for students and fellows interested in mental health and addictions services research. Through this and his other commitment to CAPE, he mentored and advised many of us, helping to launch and support the careers of many of our members.

His work extended beyond the borders of this country. Working with international funding from the Grand Challenges Canada, Elliot conducted ground-breaking work in psychiatric epidemiology for adults and children in Vietnam. In 2014, he received the Dr. Alexander Leighton Award for his ground-breaking research using epidemiology and population health approaches to improve the quality of mental health and addictions services in Canada, and to recognize his major contributions to the field of psychiatric epidemiology in general.

In 2015, he became the President of CAPE. I was personally so thrilled when he agreed to take on this most important of roles. His commitment and dedication to the organization was without question. I know I speak for everyone when I say we will miss his caring soul, his insightful and deeply inquisitive mind, and his warm and inviting manner each year we gather to share ideas at our annual meeting. At the same time, I know we will never forget him and his influence to the field and CAPE will live on.

Our most heartfelt condolences go out to his wide Roslyn, their children Sarah and Adam, and to the rest of Elliot’s family and closest friends.

John Cairney
University of Toronto
CAPE lost one of its founding members and brightest stars when Paula died on May 24th, 2016, after a long battle with colon cancer. Throughout her illness, she remained brave, optimistic, and cheerful, never succumbing to self-pity or burdening others with her problems.

She was born in Oswego, Kansas, on March 6th, 1947, one of four children. She grew up in a home dedicated to helping others; her father was a family physician and her mother a nurse, who together ran the local hospital. There were always medical students living with them, who remained friends for their entire lives.

Paula earned a BSc in Nursing from the University of Kansas, and then an MS in Psychiatric Nursing from Yale. In 1971, she and her husband Joe moved to Toronto, where she became the Assistant Director of Nursing, Projects and Research at Queen Street Mental Health, and then the Senior Mental Health Consultant at the Clarke Institute (now part of CAMH). She was awarded a Ph.D. in 1985 from the Institute of Medical Sciences at the University of Toronto and joined the Department of Psychiatry. Following the retirement of Stan Freeman, she became the head of the Health Systems Research and Consultation Unit, which she led until 2014.

It is impossible in this limited space to list all of the awards she received, in addition to being the second recipient of the Alex Leighton award from CAPE and CPA, and receiving an honorary doctorate from Ryerson University. Her crowning achievement was leading the At Home/Chez Soi project, which played an instrumental role in shaping Federal and Provincial policies toward housing the homeless mentally ill. She will be remembered fondly by the many students and junior faculty whom she selflessly mentored over the years. However, what she was proudest of were her children, Johanna and Seth, and her grandson Charlie. Her passing leaves a gaping hole in their and our lives.

David L. Streiner
McMaster University
CAPE/ACÉP was organized in 1984 by a multi-disciplinary group to: (1) facilitate communication among those involved in psychiatric epidemiology in Canada, (2) provide information & advice to policy makers, clinicians & scientists in the mental health field, and (3) support quality improvement in psychiatric epidemiology training in Canadian centres.

Visit the CAPE/ACÉP website: [http://www.psychiatricepidemiology.ca/](http://www.psychiatricepidemiology.ca/)

Send submissions & announcements to Gus Thompson, Editor gthompson@ihe.ca

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**Student/Trainee Awards**

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**Patrick Lombardo**

Winner of the 2016 Jane Murphy Award for a poster presentation

Simon Fraser Univ.

Supervisor: Dr. Elliot Goldner

**Important Conference Dates**

**IFPE Priorities in Global Mental Health**
Melbourne Cricket Ground
Oct 17-20, 2017

https://www.iasp.info

WPA Epidemiology & Public Health Sec. *Emerging mental health challenges across the globe*, Columbia University, New York. May 2-4, 2018
www.wpaepi2018.org
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UNIVERSITY OF OTTAWA – DESMARAIS HALL
55 LAURIER AVENUE EAST, OTTAWA, ONTARIO
WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 13, 2017

SUBMISSION FORM – DEADLINE June 16th, 2017

Please email completed form (as a Word document) to: CAPE2017ACEP@gmail.com

| Name of presenter: | |
| Co-Author(s): | |
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| Student presenter: ☐ No ☐ Yes | |
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| Abstract (250 words) **: |

**I accept that my presentation (oral or poster) be considered for an award: ☐ No ☐ Yes
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CAPE 2017 Membership fees:
- Students = $25
- Non-Student = $50

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| Early – by August 23rd | $126     | $300        |
| Late – by September 12   | $150     | $348        |
| Same day – September 13  | $174     | $372        |

* to receive the members’ conference fee rates you must also pay the membership fees

Please email completed form to: tracie.afifi@umanitoba.ca AND send registration fees by:

1) E-transfer to tracie.afifi@umanitoba.ca, OR,

2) Cheque payable to Canadian Academy of Psychiatric Epidemiology to:

Tracie Afifi,
University of Manitoba, S113-750 Bannatyne Avenue, Winnipeg, Manitoba
Canada R3E 0W3

Full Name (& rank or title):

I am currently a member of CAPE: ☐Yes ☐No

I am a student: ☐Yes** ☐No

Affiliation:

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Tel: Fax:

Email Address:

Date:

I am planning to attend the evening meal on September 13th: ☐Yes ☐No