



## Mission

The Maine Association of Psychiatric Physicians (MAPP) works toward a future in which there is no mental illness, because high quality psychiatric diagnosis and treatment is available to all individuals and their families, and psychiatrists are connected and supported professionally. We do this by advancing the treatment, rehabilitation, and care of persons with mental disorders; advocating for the professional interests of psychiatrists; providing educational opportunities for clinicians, patients, and the public; and building a strong and supportive community among our members.

## Advocacy

In partnership with the American Psychiatric Association (APA) and the Maine Medical Association (MMA), we have strength in numbers at the legislature. Your support enables MAPP to advocate for your profession and your patients. In 2020, MAPP was instrumental in leading the way towards the expansion of telehealth. In 2017 MAPP presented an anti-MOC bill that states MOC cannot be used for licensure of physicians. Members of MAPP are currently working on a bill to be introduced in the 2023 legislative session that will specify that carriers shall not use conditional reimbursement, network admission status, contracting, or credentialing status on participation in a maintenance of certification program by a physician. There are a number of ways you can participate in the process:

- Support the causes that matter to you
- Advocate for physicians' and patients' rights
- Serve as Doctor of the Day at the State House
- Join the Legislative Committee and shape the policy decisions that impact our profession

## Education

MAPP offers high-quality educational opportunities through lectures, conferences, and journal clubs.

- Receive a free copy of Stahl's or Green's Psychopharmacology receive (first-year residents and fellows)
- Apply for a scholarship to defer the costs of study materials for USMLE Step 3/COMLEX Level 3
- Enjoy free and low-cost Category 1 CME and Self-Assessment CME credits
- Attend the MAPP annual meeting at a reduced fee
- Join the Program Committee to help identify conference topics and invite speakers for upcoming meetings

## Community

Maintain a wide and supportive network of colleagues. MAPP fosters community and helps overcome the challenges of practicing in a rural state.

- Mentor an early career psychiatrist
- Participate in bi-annual social events
- Advance your career through leadership opportunities
- Join the Membership Committee and develop new ways to support your colleagues

## Practice

Grow a successful and sustainable private practice. With openings in your practice, simply contact the MAPP office at 207-622-7743 or send an e-mail to [Dianna Poulin](mailto:Dianna.Poulin@mainepsych.org) and she will gladly connect you.

- Grow your private practice with the MAPP referral service
- Join a MAPP listserv and ask the challenging clinical questions to gain new perspectives from the experts
- Join the Finance Committee and learn the skills to be financially successful

## Support

As a MAPP member, you are entitled to assistance from the MMA's Legal and Communications Staff to help navigate professional questions and concerns.

- Seek legal advice on opening or closing a practice
- Have your employment contract reviewed
- Obtain support around issues related to the Board of Licensure
- Consult the Ethics Committee when presented with an ethical dilemma

## Join MAPP

In order to enjoy the benefits of MAPP membership, you need to join the APA. You can choose to pay your dues annually, semiannually, quarterly, or monthly. Go to APA's website to [join now](https://www.psych.org). Upon submission, your application will be forwarded to MAPP for approval.



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