

Dear members,


We hope this email finds you safe and well. The leaders of APA Division 12, the Society of Clinical Psychology, and the Division 12 Diversity Committee would like to actively reach out to its members and the larger community to follow-up regarding the violence enacted by white supremacists and affiliated hate groups in Charlottesville, Virginia during the weekend of August 11-13, 2017. We would like to acknowledge this horrific event and share our deep sorrow and concern for the Charlottesville and University of Virginia community. Our thoughts also extend to all who may be negatively impacted, injured, or disturbed by hatred and bigotry and violence in the United States and world around them.

The Society of Clinical Psychology and its members wish to reiterate our commitment and determination to promote and celebrate diversity, inclusiveness, and mutual respect. We reject and denounce those activities, which impede the promotion of diversity and inclusiveness, including acts of hatred, intolerance, bigotry and violence.

The mission of APA is to advance psychology to benefit society and improve people's lives. The Society of Clinical Psychology supports and promotes values and actions that further this mission. We realize that each of you is committed to this mission and encourage you to continue to engage the community, your clients, students, and each other in ways that reflect our core values.

Many thanks.

Respectfully,



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