

Leading Psychoanalytic Association Funds Six New Research Projects

New York – **May X, 2016** – Six new research projects were selected by the American Psychoanalytic Association's (APsaA) <u>Fund for Psychoanalytic Research</u> program, part of the Association's ongoing commitment to supporting psychoanalytic research and encouraging future psychoanalytic investigators. A total of \$68,000 was awarded to the grantees.

The Fund conceives of psychoanalytic research along the broadest lines, including scholarly and empirical investigative contributions. The scope of this research includes, but is not limited to:

- Systematic research into psychoanalytic treatment processes and outcomes (including the development of reliable and valid measures of appropriate variables related to process and outcome);
- Developmental studies including both experimental and naturalistic investigations of infant and child development or of adult development;
- Psychophysiological and other experimental studies, other relevant social science studies, intellectual history, philosophical studies, and scholarly applications of psychoanalysis in fields such as history and literature.

Below is a list awards granted in the first half of 2016:

- **John Markowitz** (New York State Psychiatric Institute) Research Grant Reflective function as a mediator of interpersonal psychotherapy (IPT) for posttraumatic stress disorder (PTSD) **\$20,000**
- **Patrick Luyten** (University of Leuven and University College London) Research Grant Developmental origins of reflective functioning in adoptive children \$20,000
- **Beatrice Beebe** (New York State Psychiatric Institute) Research Grant From infancy to adulthood: Four-month mother-infant vocal rhythm coordination, twelve-month attachment, and young adult follow up \$20,000
- **Alistair McKnight** (Boston Graduate School of Psychoanalysis) Consultation Grant Examining the Influence of Cultural Narratives on Unconscious Processes: What

Relationship Advice Columns can tell us about the effects of changing cultural narratives on psychic structure and unconscious relationship dynamics (1957 - 2002) - \$2,000

- **Sarah A. O. Gray** (Tulane University) Career Support Grant Sustaining Research in Caregiver Insightfulness and Emotion Co-Regulation \$5,500
- **Heather B. MacIntosh** (McGill University) Consultation Grant Data analysis and assessment of mentalizing in clinical research with Dr. Patrick Luyten \$500

Applications are accepted, and grants awarded twice per calendar year. For more information about the Fund for Psychoanalytic Research visit: http://www.apsa.org/research-fund.

About The American Psychoanalytic Association:

The American Psychoanalytic Association is a professional organization of psychoanalysts with approximately 3,300 members. The Association is comprised of psychiatrists, psychologists, social workers, educators, researchers and students who have an interest in psychoanalysis and psychoanalytic therapy. Visit apsa.org for more information.

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