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**The Association for the Advancement of Philosophy and Psychiatry**

2024 Annual Meeting, May 6-7, New York City

**Placebos, Unconventional Interventions, and Therapeutic Effects:  
The Roles of Context, Expectation, and Hope in Clinical Care**

Keynote Speakers: Phoebe Friesen Ph.D. and Helena Hansen M.D. Ph.D.

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Conference co-chairs: G. Scott Waterman, Peter Zachar, and Phoebe Friesen

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2024 Annual Meeting  
Graduate Center, City University of New York  
365 Fifth Avenue, Room C202-204

Monday, May 6

**9:00 – 9:15**                    **Welcome to AAPP 2024**  
*Christian Perring, President*

**Session 1 (Open Theme): Moderator – *Robyn Bluhm***

9:15                            Autism, Care, and the Limits of Destigmatization  
*Sarah Arnaud and Quinn Gibson*

9:35                            Discussion

9:45                            Dualism, Reductionism, and Medical Explanation: Addressing the  
“Metaphysical Morass”  
*G. Scott Waterman*

10:05                          Discussion

10:15                          Dysfunction Framings of Mental Illness and the Strawsonian Objective  
Standpoint  
*Sera Schwarz and Justin Garson*

10:35                          Discussion

**10:45 – 10:55**                **Break**

**Session 2 (Open Theme): Moderator – *Donald Mender***

10:55                          Scientific Underdetermination and Psychiatric Diagnosis  
*Matthew Valiquette*

11:15                          Discussion

11:25                          Psychiatry’s Second Validity Crisis? The Problem of Disparate Validation  
*Nicholas Zautra*

11:45                          Discussion

11:55                          Looking into Psychiatric Symptoms: The Case of Anhedonia and its  
Measurements  
*Daniel Andrés Montero Espinoza*

12:15                          Discussion

**12:25 – 1:45**                **Lunch**

**Keynote Address: Moderator – *Miriam Solomon***

1:45 BioSocial Futures: Toward a Community Ecology of Health

*Helena Hansen*

2:30 Discussion

**2:45 – 2:55 Break**

**Session 3 (Open Theme): Moderator – *Brent M. Kious***

2:55 Scientific Ignorance and Expert Trustworthiness

*Manasa Gopakumar*

3:15 Discussion

3:25 Justifying New Uses of Non-diagnostic Psychiatric Constructs: The Case of Insight

*Derek Braverman*

3:45 Discussion

**3:55 – 4:05 Break**

**Karl Jaspers Award: Moderator – *G. Scott Waterman***

4:05 The Epistemic Prerequisites of Reliable Abstinence in Addiction

*Arthur Krieger*

4:30 Discussion

**4:40 Adjourn**

Tuesday, May 7

**Session 4 (Open Theme): Moderator – *Juliette Vazard***

9:00 Normativity, Deviation, and Mental Disorder

*Andrew Evans*

9:20 Discussion

9:30 When is Drug Use an Addiction?

*Bennett Knox*

9:50 Discussion

10:00 *Fleishman is in Trouble: On Sadness, Unreal Moods, and Existential Choice in Psychiatry*

*Harini Sridhar and Laila Knio*

10:20 Discussion

**10:30 – 10:40            Break**

**Session 5 (Placebo Theme): Moderator – *Jonathan Y. Tsou***

10:40                    The Dodo Bird Verdict and Psychotherapies as Placebos  
*Julia A. Harzheim and Dien Ho*

11:00                    Discussion

11:10                    Understanding Produces Expectation: Ricoeur’s Narrative Theory and the  
Open-label Placebo  
*Jennifer Hauptman*

11:30                    Discussion

11:40                    Bayesian Brain Modeling in Placebo and Medical Studies: Unifying  
Theories and Enhancing Predictive Insights  
*Kevin Jumaa*

12:00                    Discussion

**12:10 – 1:30            Lunch**

**Keynote Address: Moderator – *Justin Garson***

1:30                    Unsettling Evidence-Based Medicine: Three Challenges from Placebo  
Studies

*Phoebe Friesen*

2:15                    Discussion

**2:30 – 2:40            Break**

**Session 6 (Placebo Theme): Moderator – *Douglas Heinrichs***

2:40                    “You’re Gonna Love This Drug”: The Ethics of Psychiatric Salesmanship  
*Zach Schwartz and W. Alexander Bennion*

3:00                    Discussion

3:10                    Do No Harm: Applying Nocebo Research for Non-maleficence  
*Mariève Cyr and Jay Olson*

3:30                    Discussion

3:40                    Subverting the Diagnostic Treatment Commensurability Paradigm:  
Approaching an Ethical Framework for Placebo Inclusion in Research and  
Clinical Care  
*Julia Kolak*

4:00                    Discussion

**4:10 – 4:20            Closing Remarks**

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