



EPA PUBLIC MENTAL HEALTH SECTION REPORT 2025

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LAST SECTION COMMITTEE ELECTIONS HELD:

Date: July 2025
Venue: online

ACTIVITIES OF THE SECTION IN 2025:

Meetings/events

Section meeting

Description:

Section meeting



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Location: Madrid
Start date: 06/04/2025
End date: 06/04/2025

Section meeting

Description:

Section meeting

Location: Online
Start date: 05/11/2025
End date: 05/11/2025

Section corner

Description: The Public Mental Health Section launched a new dedicated webpage - Section Corner - on the EPA website, aiming to improve visibility of Section activities and facilitate dissemination of public mental health initiatives: <https://www.europsy.net/section-corner-public-mental-health/> **Location:** Website
Start date: 02/10/2025
End date: 31/12/2027

EPA Congress of Psychiatry

Description:

The Public Mental Health Section contributed to multiple scientific sessions:

1.Symposium: Real-world solutions for the prevention and promotion of public mental health

Speakers:

Mariana Pinto da Costa – Remote volunteering over smartphone to reduce loneliness in people with psychosis

Katja Koelkebeck – E-health interventions in postpartum stress: needs assessment and developmental steps towards online interventions

Elisabetta Scanferla – BREF: the value of a short early intervention for informal carers and families for reducing stress and burden of care

Victor Buwalda – The use of apps in public mental health: assessing needs and re-developing programs for integration into society



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2.EPA-GAMIAN-EUFAMI-WONCA Joint Symposium -“Patients, Families, Primary Care and Mental Health Professionals – Towards Collaborative Care Models”

Speaker: Marianne Destoop (Public mental health: An opportunity to support collaborative action)

3.Debate: Impact of smartphone and social media use on mental health: use of smartphone and Social media under 15 year should be forbidden/regulated

Speaker: Benjamin Rolland (Pro-debater)

4.State of the Art Session “Community psychiatry in Europe” Speaker: René Keet

5.Debate (ECP Programme) “Should cannabis be legalised?”

Pro-debater: René Keet

6.Symposium: Required actions and real-world solutions to address the public mental health implementation gap across the European region

Speakers: Jonathan Campion, Geert Dom, Andrea Fiorillo, Ledia Lazeri

7.Symposium: Smoking and mental health – implementation opportunities and real-world solutions

Speakers: Jonathan Campion, Geert Dom, Jerzy Samochowiec, Anne Høye

Location: Madrid, Spain

Start date: 05/04/2025

End date: 08/04/2025

FUTURE ACTIVITIES:

FUNDING IN 2025

Income: No income

Source(s) of funding:

None

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