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Call for Papers: Integration of Practice, Advocacy, and Science of Counseling Psychology

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TCP is the Society of Counseling Psychology’s flagship journal. It represents the innovative nature of the practice, advocacy, and science of counseling psychology and is the official voice for highlighting issues that are important to all members of the counseling psychology discipline. For 50 years, TCP has published a variety of articles and served as a vehicle for critical analysis and deep commentary on matters of importance to the discipline and profession. While matters related to practitioners have been included throughout the years, there has been recognition that more directed attention is needed. This call is aligned with previous attempts to expand the focus of TCP in calling for articles that represent a true integration of practice-informed science, practice-informed advocacy, science-informed practice, science-informed advocacy, and advocacy-informed practice, as well as a true integration of all three. These types of integrations highlight the best practices for the clinical treatment of mental health disorders and concerns, and that can be used to best approach clinical practice on micro and macro levels.

The guest editors of this special issue welcome manuscripts that are focused on the integration and application of the practice, advocacy, and science of counseling psychology, above and beyond the standard Implications for Practice section of a manuscript. The manuscript should include data (quantitative, qualitative, and/or mixed-methods) that bears on the effectiveness of integrating practice, advocacy, and science.

The editors encourage collaborative submissions that are co-authored by at least one practitioner (e.g., someone who provides clinical services to client communities) who may be a practicing psychologist or psychologist-in-training (e.g., graduate student, pre-doctoral intern, postdoctoral fellow). We also welcome collaborations across career stages (e.g., senior, mid, or early career practitioners and scholars). Theory-driven models, systematic reviews and meta-analysis, as well as qualitative, quantitative, and mixed-methods studies are all welcomed. The editors encourage but do not require, submissions that incorporate a case vignette.
Topics of interest may include, but are not limited to:

- Clinical process and outcome
- Application of research findings for specific practice and advocacy interventions
- Application of practice and advocacy findings in research activities
- Psychological interventions to reduce mental health symptoms
- Psychological interventions across diverse, underserved, and/or historically marginalized communities (e.g., race/ethnicity, social class, gender identity, and gender expression, sexual orientation, ability, immigrant, refugee)
- Psychological interventions across diverse clinical settings
- Models of training psychologists in counseling psychology competencies and guidelines (e.g., APA Prevention Science Guidelines, APA Transgender Guidelines, APA Women and Girls Guidelines, APA Multicultural Guidelines)
- Models of training psychologists in practice-advocacy competencies
- Active responses to racism and other hate speech/acts/behaviors within and outside of counseling settings
- The influence of current sociopolitical contexts on the practice setting (e.g., related to clients or agencies as a whole)
- The impact of social movements (e.g., #NoBanNoWall, #BlackLivesMatter, #MeToo, #WhyIStayed, etc.) in clinical practice (e.g., related to clients or agencies as a whole)

Interested authors are welcome to submit an abstract for feedback from the special issues guest editors regarding the topic’s fit and focus for this issue. The editorial team welcomes questions and correspondence, which may be directed to Dr. Shavonne J. Moore-Lobban (sjmoore10@gmail.com), Dr. Mary O’Leary Wiley (wiley510@gmail.com), or Dr. Anneliese Singh (AnnelieseASingh@gmail.com). Questions also may be sent to TCP editor Dr. Bryan S. K. Kim (bryankim@hawaii.edu).

Submission Guidelines:
Completed manuscripts should be submitted through the TCP website and adhere to its submission guidelines. We welcome papers that are between 25-35 pages. If your paper is longer, we encourage you to contact the special issues editors at the email listed above.