

Psych Perspectives will now be delivered electronically on a quarterly basis. The winter 2016 edition includes: NCSP renewal changes, legislative bills to watch, upcoming conference information, and award nomination opportunities.

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NCSP Initial Renewal Changes

Beginning January 1, 2016, all newly accepted recipients of the NCSP credential must demonstrate one academic year of professional support/mentorship prior to their first NCSP renewal only (three years after being awarded the credential).

For professional practice within a school setting, supervision or mentoring shall be provided by a credentialed school psychologist with at least three years of experience. For experience in a nonschool setting, supervision or mentoring shall be provided by a psychologist appropriately credentialed for practice in that setting, if applicable. Supervision and/or mentoring conducted either individually or within a group setting, for at least an average of 1 hour per week, is recommended, though not required.

Please note that this does not apply to individuals who were awarded the NCSP credential on or before December 31, 2015. Additionally, this requirement is only applicable to the first renewal of the credential.

Visit the [NASP website](#) for more information, including a [form](#) used to verify professional support has been provided. If you have any additional questions, you can contact the NASP certification team at 301-657-0270 or cert@naspweb.org.

West Virginia Legislative Bills to Watch



Bills related to the practice of School Psychology:

For an informational handout regarding the Maximum Pupil Ratio bill, Senate

Bill 89, filled with information, facts, and resources, use the file below! More information to follow as the bill is introduced and progresses.

[SB 89 Flyer 1.pdf](#)

Upcoming Training Opportunities!

WVSPA Spring 2016 Conference

Save the Date:

April 28-29, 2016

Four Points by Sheraton

Charleston, WV

Conference topics to include:

- **DSM-5 Follow-up**
- **Ethics and Q-Interactive Sessions**
- **Update on the CHC Score Analyzer**
- **Mental Health First Aid Training**

Bills related to Children's Mental Health:

Senate Bill 286, Creating Commission to Accelerate Statewide Coordination of Mental Health Services for Children and Adolescents

[Bill Status Information](#)

**NASP 2016 Annual Convention
February 10-13, 2016**

Click the image for convention details



WVSPA Awards-Call for Nominations

Know someone doing great work? Recognize them with a nomination!

Nominations will be accepted through March 16, 2016

WVSPA offers the following recognition to outstanding professionals:

Chloe Hollinger Award

The Chloe Hollinger Award is designed to recognize an individual who has contributed to the profession of School Psychology by making contributions through publication, conference presentations, and by demonstrating leadership in helping promote School Psychology within the state.

WV School Psychologist of the Year

This award is designed to recognize a School Psychologist who is considered exemplary in the provision of school psychological services.

Outstanding Delivery of School Psychological Services

This award is designed to recognize a county or individual School Psychologist that recognizes and implements the best and innovative practices of school psychology.

Special Friend of Children Award

This award is designed to recognize an outstanding individual who has made significant contributions toward the improvement in the lives of youth and families.

Fred Jay Krieg, Ph.D. Lifetime Achievement Award

This award is to recognize a colleague in the field who has provided outstanding service delivery over the course of a career.

For more information on each award and qualifying criteria,

as well as nomination forms [click here](#)

Want to be more involved with WVSPA? Elections will be occurring soon for President-Elect, Secretary, Region B Representative, and Region D Representative! Please contact [Karen Cummings](#) for more information!
