



## Center for Psychiatric Rehabilitation eCast September 2011

### **Kim T. Mueser, Ph.D. has been appointed to the position of Executive Director of the Center for Psychiatric Rehabilitation.**

Kim T. Mueser, Ph.D. has accepted the position of Executive Director of the Center for Psychiatric Rehabilitation at Boston University. He will also receive the rank of Professor at Boston University. The effective date is Nov. 1, 2011.

Dr. Mueser is a licensed clinical psychologist and was recently a professor in the Departments of Psychiatry and Community and Family Medicine at the Dartmouth Medical School in Hanover, New Hampshire. He received his Ph.D. in clinical psychology from the University of Illinois at Chicago in 1984 and was on the faculty of the Psychiatry Department at the Medical College of Pennsylvania in Philadelphia until 1994. In 1994 he moved to Dartmouth Medical School and joined the Dartmouth Psychiatric Research Center.



Dr. Mueser's clinical and research interests include psychiatric rehabilitation for persons with severe mental illnesses, intervention for co-occurring psychiatric and substance use disorders, and the treatment of posttraumatic stress disorder. He has published extensively and given numerous lectures and workshops on psychiatric rehabilitation both nationally and internationally. In 2007, he received the Ken Book Award from the New York Metro Chapter of the National Alliance on Mental Illness for his book with Susan Gingerich, "The Complete Family Guide to Schizophrenia." He is the co-author of several other books. Among other work, Dr. Mueser is perhaps best known at this time for his development of his intervention "illness management and recovery".

The previous Executive Director, William Anthony, Ph.D., recently retired after 32 years of service as the Executive Director of the Center and has been appointed Professor Emeritus at the University. Upon being informed of Dr. Mueser's appointment, Dr. Anthony commented:

*"Kim is definitely the right person for the job. I think he and the existing Center leadership will take the Center to the next level of its development. I am extremely pleased that Kim is joining the Center."*

Dr. Mueser stated *"I have long been an admirer of Bill's work and that of his colleagues at the center for psychiatric rehabilitation, and believe their contributions to this ever evolving field have been both numerous and invaluable. I very much look forward to joining the center, and working with the staff to continue its mission of making recovery from mental illness a true possibility for everyone who is challenged by this life circumstance."*

## **SAVE THE DATE: November 8 & 9, 2011**

Boston University Center for Psychiatric Rehabilitation presents its fall workshops program:

1. Nov. 8 - "Combating Stigma and Prejudice Through PhotoVoice Empowerment" presented by Cheryl Gagne, Sc.D., Phillippe Bloch, M.Ed, and Zlatka Russinova, Ph.D.

2. Nov. 9- "Self Directed Psychiatric Rehabilitation Activities" presented by Sue McNamara, M.S., CRC, CPRP and Debbie Nicoletlis, MS, CRC



Workshops are all day events that are highly interactive. All are welcome to register. The location will be the George Sherman Union building at Boston University.

For further information contact Joan Rapp at [joanrapp@bu.edu](mailto:joanrapp@bu.edu) or at 617-353-3549. <http://www.bu.edu/cpr/training/workshops/>

## **NEW!! Self-Directed Psychiatric Rehabilitation Activities**

The *Self-Directed Psychiatric Rehabilitation Activities* is a new product, published by the Center for Psychiatric Rehabilitation, designed to walk a person through the process of considering, choosing, getting, and keeping a preferred living, learning, working, or social role. The outlines, examples, and worksheets in this manual are written for personal use. The process assists a person to explore and develop readiness for rehabilitation; to choose a valued role in residential, educational, vocational, and social settings; and to review and develop skills and supports in order to be satisfied and successful in a chosen role. These activities are useful for those who



want to work independently or with support. A valuable resource for individuals, peers, mental health and rehabilitation service providers, family members, and others will find the *Self-Directed Activities* to be user-friendly and helpful in making important life decisions.

For more information, go to: <http://www.bu.edu/cpr/products/curricula/self-directedpra.html>

For any questions, please contact Sue McNamara by e-mail at [suemac@bu.edu](mailto:suemac@bu.edu) or by phone at (617) 358-2574.

## Now on Facebook



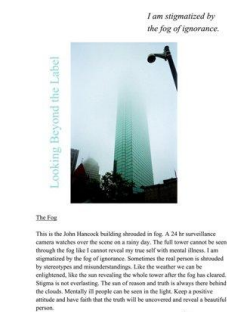
Visitors from Italy

A delegation of health professionals, consumers and family members from Trento, Italy, will be touring a number of mental health initiatives in the United States. Steve Harrington, Founder and Executive Director of the National Association of Peer Specialists (NAPS), and Matt Chinman, of the Rand Corp. are coordinating.



The group's first stop in the U.S. was the Center for Psychiatric Rehabilitation at BU on August 29. Pictures will be found on our Facebook page.

## See and read about the PhotoVoice Photo Collection.



PhotoVoice is a unique and powerful methodology, taught at CPR as a class, whereby our students are provided cameras and asked to go into their worlds and use the camera to take photographs related to various themes. In this case, we addressed the theme of prejudice and discrimination towards people living with psychiatric challenges. The students then craft a narrative which describes the significance of the picture to them. Check out both the photo and video tabs on our profile page

<http://www.facebook.com/media/set/?set=a.230760096946551.55950.160651003957461&l=91c2502879>

## **William Anthony, Ph.D. elected Vice Chairman**



William a. Anthony, Ph.D. has been elected vice chairman of the newly created Foundation for Excellence in Mental Health Care. The Foundation, through its research, practice and education initiatives, seeks to demonstrate that treatments for people diagnosed with severe mental illnesses need to be individualized and holistic, and not concentrated primarily on somatic treatments. Foundation projects will help to restore the balance between psychosocial and medication approaches, and in so doing help increasing numbers of people to recover.

While Bill still holds a professorship at Boston University, he has recently retired from his position as director of the Center for Psychiatric Rehabilitation, a post which he has held since the Center's inception in 1979.

Board Chairman and President Virgil Stucker commented, "Imagine a better world for individuals and families whose lives have been impeded by mental illness. In the face of despair and diminishing public resources, the Foundation is positioned to use creative philanthropy effectively to help hundreds of thousands in the coming years. We are honored to have Dr. Bill Anthony join us as vice chairman. Dr. Anthony's distinguished career speaks for itself and we know he will bring the same honor, intelligence, and leadership to the Foundation to create the New Mainstream in Mental Health Care." For information see <http://www.mentalhealthexcellence.org>

## **Research Study**

Boston University Center for Psychiatric Rehabilitation is conducting a research study on how adults with psychiatric conditions view work. Check Facebook for details.

## **Conference Board Update**

The Conference Board website has been revised and updated. You may need to refresh or reload the page in your browser to see the update.

<http://www.bu.edu/cpr/resources/CPRConferenceboard.html>

**Announcements and  
Upcoming Events**

**Facebook User Survey:**

If you haven't done so, please help us by taking a brief, 8 question survey for FB users. Please go to [http://www.surveymonkey.com/s/Facebook\\_sum\\_11](http://www.surveymonkey.com/s/Facebook_sum_11) And please SHARE this information to help us get responses. THANK YOU !

**What's New on DRRK?**



We are currently in the process of devising a new look for the Disability Research Right to Know website. We are continuing to update articles. Go to <http://drk.bu.edu/> to view our progress!

**Please help us improve our e-newsletter:**

Suggestions are welcome and should be emailed to Bernie Kingsley at [bernardk@bu.edu](mailto:bernardk@bu.edu). If you would like to be removed from our e-mail list, please visit our [unsubscribe page](#). Please complete a brief survey at: <http://www.surveymonkey.com/s/CPR-eCastSurvey>

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