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FOR PSYCHOLOGICAL AND SOCIAL  
APPROACHES TO PSYCHOSIS  
UNITED STATES CHAPTER

# ADVANCING RECOVERY THROUGH AN UNDERSTANDING OF PSYCHOSIS AND EXTREME STATES

ISPS-US welcomes all those interested in psychological and social approaches to psychosis. We believe it will take people with diverse perspectives working together to accomplish our mission.

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**Contact us if you want to lead a branch!**

## ISPS-US HISTORY

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ISPS, the International Society for Psychological and Social Approaches to Psychosis, promotes dialogue and multidisciplinary interaction, enriching our knowledge of the psychological and experiential aspects of psychosis. David Feinsilver, M.D. launched the United States chapter of ISPS in 1998, aiming to “join with other professionals and lay people to promote the humane, comprehensive, and in-depth treatment of [psychosis].” ISPS was initiated in 1956 by Drs. Gaetano Benedetti and Christian Müller to go beyond a biological- reductionistic orientation and to gain a psychoanalytic understanding of the complexity of psychosis. We have since broadened our understanding of psychosis.

ISPS-US welcomes all those interested in psychological and social approaches to psychosis: nurses, psychiatrists, psychologists, social workers, arts therapists, occupational therapists, psychotherapists, academics, students, managers, and individuals with lived experience of psychosis, or unusual/extreme states. We additionally welcome family members, friends, and others who have been affected by such experiences. We believe it will take people with diverse perspectives working together to accomplish our mission, so please consider joining us!

## MEMBER BENEFITS

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- Subscription to ISPS Journal, *Psychosis: Psychological, Social and Integrative Approaches*
- Lively and educational e-mail discussion groups
- Local branch meetings, where available
- National and international newsletters
- Membership in ISPS International included
- Reduced rates at national and international conferences
- 50% discount on video and audio recordings of past conferences
- 20% discount on all ISPS books published by Routledge
- Two free mentoring sessions for new members
- Free educational webinars
- Institutional members are also featured on our website and get discounts on advertising/exhibiting at our annual meetings

## ISPS-US MISSION

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- Promote the appropriate use of psychotherapy and psychosocial treatments for those suffering from psychosis.
- Support treatments that include individual, family, group and milieu approaches and treatment methods that are derived from psychoanalysis, cognitive-behavioral, systemic, psycho-educational, peer support and related approaches.
- Advance education, training and knowledge of mental health professionals in the psychological therapies and psychosocial interventions in the treatment and prevention of psychosis for the public benefit regardless of race, religion, gender, sexual orientation or socio-economic status.
- Promote personal empowerment as a necessary part of recovery from psychosis.
- Promote research into individual, family, and group psychological therapies, preventive measures and other psychosocial programs for those with psychosis.

## ANNUAL MEETING

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ISPS-US holds annual meetings on a theme related to psychological and social treatments for psychosis. Members and others are welcome to submit proposals. The location varies from year to year. Continuing Education Credit is offered, and members can attend at discounted rates. Themes have included:

- *Psychosis, Citizenship, and Belonging: Forging Pathways toward Inclusion and Healing*
- *Life, Liberty and the Pursuit of Wholeness in Extreme States*
- *Psychosis in Context: Exploring Intersections in Diverse Identities and Extreme States*
- *From Reductionism to Humanism: Moving Forward from Psychosis and Extreme States*
- *From DNA to Neighborhood: Relationship and Experience in Psychosis – An International Dialogue (International ISPS conference hosted by ISPS-US)*
- *What’s in a Name? Emerging Perspectives on the Intersection of “Schizophrenia” and “Recovery”*

## ISPS-US & ISPS MEMBERSHIP FORM

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Join e-mail discussion list: Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_\_

List in member directory: Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_\_

List on public website: Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_\_

Want a mentor? (new members) Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_\_

Institutional affiliation(s) \_\_\_\_\_

Profession \_\_\_\_\_

Professional interests \_\_\_\_\_

How did you hear about us? \_\_\_\_\_

### ANNUAL DUES (Select one)

\_\_\_ \$150: Professional **in any field**

\_\_\_ \$100: **Nonprofessional** family member

\_\_\_ \$70: Low Income: Full Time Student/Person with Lived Experience of Psychosis/Peer Specialist

\_\_\_ \$175: Institutional member

\_\_\_ \$1,500: Lifetime individual member

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