Greetings! Summer is filled with transition here in Duke Psychiatry and Behavioral Sciences. June marked the completion of clinical training for our interns, residents and fellows and July 1 marked the beginning of the new academic year, as we welcomed new classes of future colleagues. We have several exciting new additions to our faculty that we would like to share with you, in addition to updates on our clinical growth and recent research breakthroughs.

We hope that you enjoy receiving these periodic updates from the Department and encourage you to forward this newsletter to those who may be interested in learning what’s new at Duke. We also welcome your feedback or story ideas, which can be sent to psychiatrychair@dm.duke.edu.

Sincerely,

Sarah Hollingsworth Lisanby, MD
Lawrence C. Katz Professor and Chair, Department of Psychiatry and Behavioral Sciences

Expanding our Global Reach
We are pleased to welcome Brandon Kohrt, MD, PhD to our faculty. With previous experience conducting mental health research in Nepal and Liberia, Dr. Kohrt will expand upon Duke’s expertise in global mental health and help us to become a leader in this area. Read more>

Duke Ranked #1 in NC and 12th Nationally for Its Patient Care
The US News and World Report just released their Best Hospital Rankings.

In the News

What is PTSD...And Who Is It For?
Time, June 26, 2013
Dr. Harold Kudler discusses the relationship between PTSD research and patient care.

Video Gamers Really Do See More
Duke Today, June 11, 2013; also featured in Time, Wired, WRAL, and WUNC
Research by Duke Psychiatry's Greg Appelbaum, PhD shows that "Gamers see the world differently...they are able to extract more information from a visual scene."

Yoga for Kids
Ivanhoe Broadcast News, May 28, 2013
Researchers at Duke are studying whether a program that combines mindfulness and yoga techniques can improve children's physical and mental health.

Antidepressant reduces stress-induced heart condition
JAMA, May 22, 2013
Wei Jiang, MD published a breakthrough study on a common antidepressant that could help a stress-related heart condition in patients with heart disease.

Magnets Used To Treat Depression at Duke
ABC Eyewitness News, May 7, 2013
Dr. Lisanby appeared on ABC News to talk about a form of magnetic brain stimulation, sTMS, currently being tested at Duke to treat major depression.

Can Virtual Reality Treat Addiction?
Popular Science, April 19, 2013
M. Zachary Rosenthal, PhD and his...
Duke University Medical Center was ranked #1 in the state, 12th nationally, and Psychiatry was ranked as High-Performing. We are proud to offer our patients world-class mental health care! Read more >

Enhanced Clinical Access
We continually strive to provide the very best in patient care and to meet mental health needs in our community. Learn more about our efforts to enhance access to mental health care at Duke. Read More >

New Fellowship Program Directors
This summer marks a period of transition not only for our graduating and incoming trainees, but also for our education program leadership. Dr. Mustafa Husain is the new Program Director for the Geriatric Psychiatry Fellowship, and Dr. Gary Maslow (pictured left) is our new Program Director for the Child and Adolescent Psychiatry Fellowship.

Ask the Expert
Geraldine Dawson, PhD, a leading expert in autism and developmental disorders, talks to us about her work and her shared vision of promoting children's overall social and emotional health at Duke. Dr. Dawson will be joining Duke Psychiatry and Behavioral Sciences on August 1, 2013. Read more >

Research Spotlight
Wei Jiang, MD is a renowned expert on psychosocial risks for cardiovascular diseases. Her most recent study, published in JAMA on May 22, presented novel research findings about the relationship between mental stress and heart health in patients with coronary artery disease. Read more >

Events
Tuesday, September 10, 8:30 - 11:30 am: Inaugural Duke Psychiatry and Behavioral Sciences Advisory Board Meeting. Mary Duke Biddle Trent Semans Center for Health Education, team are using psychology virtual reality software to mimic relapse environments so that patients trying to overcome addiction can learn how to resist their cravings.

Family history of Alzheimer's associated with abnormal brain pathology
Duke News and Communication, April 17, 2013
Close family members of people with Alzheimer's disease are more than twice as likely as those without a family history to develop silent buildup of brain plaques associated with Alzheimer's disease according to research by Murali Doraiswamy, MD.

People with depression may not reap the full benefits of healthy behaviors
Duke News & Communication, March 26, 2013
Depression may inhibit the anti-inflammatory effects typically associated with physical activity and light-to-moderate alcohol consumption, according to a study led by Edward Suarez, PhD.

Attention Alumni!
The Department of Psychiatry and Behavioral Sciences will be hosting two events during Duke's Medical Alumni Weekend this fall:

Thursday, October 17, 12:00 - 1:00 pm: Grand Rounds Lecture by Sally C. Johnson, MD, HS'76-'79, Clinical Professor, UNC School of Medicine and Senior Lecturer at Duke Law. Location: Duke Hospital North, Room 2002

Saturday, October 19, 8:00 - 9:30 am: Jump Start Your Day with a Tour of our New Brain Stimulation Lab. Location: Duke Clinic South, Room 54200 (5th Floor, Red Zone)
Conference Room 4A. For further detail, please email Megan Boyle.

Thursday, September 12, 12:00 - 1:00 pm: 3rd Annual Duke Psychiatry and Behavioral Sciences State of the Department Address. Duke University Hospital North, Conference Room 2002.