

# American Psychiatric Association Comment Form: Topics for Guideline Development

Please return this form by email to [guidelines@psych.org](mailto:guidelines@psych.org) (attention Jennifer Medicus), or by mail to Jennifer Medicus, American Psychiatric Association, 1000 Wilson Blvd., Suite 1825, Arlington, VA 22209.

Use this form to suggest a topic for an APA practice guideline. APA selects topics for guideline development based on the following criteria:

- *Degree of public importance (prevalence and seriousness)*
- *Relevance to psychiatric practice*
- *Availability of systematic reviews of available evidence*
- *Likelihood that a guideline would improve practice and patient care*
- *Time since publication of practice guidelines on the topic by APA or other organizations*

1. Topic:

2. Describe your rationale for suggesting this topic, considering the above criteria:

3. References:

4. Your contact information:

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5. Are you an APA member?

If not, please indicate which of the following best describes you:

- Non-APA member psychiatrist
- Other physician
- Other mental health clinician
- Patient or family
- Advocate
- Other, please describe:

6. Are you commenting as a representative of an organization?

If yes, please specify your organization:

7. Disclosures (please identify any significant industry or other relationships you have that may be relevant to evaluating your suggestion or comments):