

APPENDIX 5 APA DESIGNATION LETTER



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Dear Dr. Velasquez:

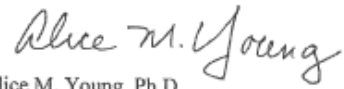
I am writing to inform you that the American Psychological Association (APA) Designation Committee for Postdoctoral Education and Training Programs in Psychopharmacology for Prescriptive Authority (hereafter referred to as the RxP Designation Committee) reviewed the 2013 renewal application for APA designation from the New Mexico State University Clinical Psychopharmacology Postdoctoral Master's Degree program, including the program's three supplemental responses (dated April 25, 2014, December 16, 2014 and January 9, 2015) to the RxP Designation Committee's requests for additional information, the additional information provided by the program on October 17, 2014, and the program's response to the RxP Designation Committee's notification of probation letter (dated April 18, 2015). The RxP Designation Committee voted to grant the New Mexico State University Clinical Psychopharmacology Postdoctoral Master's Degree program continued APA designation for a 3 year period and to remove probationary status. Dr. Marlin Hoover was recused, under the Committee's conflict of interest policy, from participating in any part of the review, discussion, or decision of the Committee.

The Committee noted that in its most recent response (dated April 18, 2015), the program provided sufficient information regarding the Committee's request for a clear statement confirming access to the resources of the Nursing Department at New Mexico State University, including the simulation lab, for the program's future cohorts. Designation Criterion P5 of the APA Designation Criteria for Education and Training Programs in Preparation for Prescriptive Authority has been met.

The next application for renewal of designation will be due in **2018**. The program also will be required to submit an interim report in **2016** documenting program outcomes and any major program changes. The program will be notified of the format and date for submission in subsequent correspondence.

Any questions may be directed to Ashi Kapur Lavelle (akapur@apa.org) or Catherine Grus, Ph.D. (cgrus@apa.org).

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Alice M. Young".

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Chair, APA RxP Designation Committee
