



Triennial Report of the WPA Section on Classification

The WPA Classification Section include a total of 83 individuals from 19 different countries, eight Zones (USA, Mexico/Caribbean/Central America, Northern S. America, Southern S. America, Western Europe, Eastern & Southern Africa, and Eastern Asia), from five continents (North and South America, Europe, Africa, and Asia.)

Key focus of the Sections' activities has been on fundamental aspects of medicine upholding humanism and science as the two fundamental pillars of person-centered medicine and its principles of ethical, whole person, dignified assessment, diagnosis, and care.

During the triennium, 2023-2026, the WPA Classification Section has been involved with multiple academic activities including the following:

1. Elections of Section Officials and Committee Members in November 2023.
2. Participation in the WPA activities through presentation and organizing symposium on psychiatric diagnosis and diagnostic models, along active and prominent participation of WPA & APAL Section in the organization and scientific presentations of both the biennial congresses of the WPA-affiliated APAL / APAL members.
3. The Section was intimately involved in the development of the innovative Latin American Guide for Psychiatric Diagnosis (GLADP-2). The Latin American Guide for Psychiatric Diagnosis (GLADP) developed by the Latin American Psychiatric Association (APAL). GALDP adapts ICD-11 to best serve the needs of Latin American countries through the application of a person-centered and culturally informed diagnostic model. Following the publication of the ICD-11 Clinical Descriptions and Diagnostic Requirements (CDDR 2024), APAL Diagnosis Section initiated the development and testing of GLADP-2 to enhance person-centered diagnostic guide using the ICD-11.
4. Participation in the annual Latin-American Conferences on Person Centered Medicine in 2023 (Conference Title: Person-centered Mental Health and General Well-being), 2024 (Conference Title: Person-centered Primary Care) and 2025 (Conference title: Multidimensional Care for Person-centered Integral Health) has published or is preparing a formal book with selected presentations from the respective Conferences.
5. Organization and active participations of international conference on Person-centered Medicine in Geneva, Switzerland (2024, 2024 and 2025) and organizing International Congresses for Person Centered Medicine in Zagreb, Croatia (2024) and Reykjavik, Iceland (2025).
6. Several related scientific publications, book chapters, and journal issues were completed, many were produced from work presented at WPA conferences. Three books were published during this triennium, and one book in preparation. (See more [here](#))

Section Future Plans of Actions (2026-2029)

- Organize presentations and symposia on classification, diagnosis and nomenclature to WPA Congresses
- Contribute diagnosis and classification presentations in other pertinent professional conferences, including regional ones such as APAL.
- Promote the publication of academic papers in an array of academic and professional journals
- Contribute to the development of innovative and comprehensive diagnostic models
- Promote collaborative international research on diagnosis and classification systems
- Collaborate on diagnosis and classification with pertinent professional and academic organizations,

particularly the International College of Person-Centered Medicine.

- Collaborate on the development of the Latin American Classification of Psychiatric Diagnosis (GLADP)