IRANIAN AMERICAN PSYCHOLOGICAL ASSOCIATION

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To: Public Media

Re: Formation of Iranian American Psychological Association & an Invitation to become a member of the Board of Directors

This is to announce that the Iranian American Psychological Association (IAPA) has been officially formed and is registered with the State of California as a non-profit corporation.

At this time, IAPA has the following openings available on the Board of Directors:

- 4 Full Members Licensed Psychologists
- 1 Advisory Member A lawyer who is interested and wishes to support IAPA activities
- 1 Advisory Member A consumer or family member
- 2 Student Members Graduate students in Good Standing

If you are interested in becoming a member of a professional and progressive Board, please send resume and letter of intent to the Board's President at tarapirimces@msn.com or fax to 213-383-4803. The deadline to submit your resume and letter of intent is September 30, 2005.

The purposes for the formation of IAPA include, but are not limited to:

- Promoting the health and mental health of our ethnic communities,
- Facilitating connection and collaboration among professionals from various disciplines and creating a referral center for psychological services,
- Enhancing the field of mental health or helping professions through research and training on issues such as stigma reduction,
- Providing resources and education to both consumers and service providers, and
- Creating a bridge of connection and information among Iranian and American communities.

The founding Members are as follows:

Tara Pir, Ph.D	President
Nehzat Farnoody, Ph.D	Vice President
Bahman Rezaipour, Ph.D	
Haleh Eghrari, Ph.D	Secretary
Parvaneh Zia, Ph.D	•

We Promote Connection and Collaboration