

Jenny Boyer, MD
Candidate for APA Area 5 Trustee

- Psychiatrist, Psychologist, Attorney
- Current Deputy Chief, Behavioral Medicine, Eastern Oklahoma Veterans Administration Medical Center
- Small Private Practice
- Volunteer Faculty, University of Oklahoma Health Sciences Center, Tulsa
- Past Speaker APA Assembly
- Faculty, Department of Psychiatry, University of Oklahoma Health Sciences Center, Oklahoma City
- Psychiatrist, Oklahoma Department of Mental Health and Substance Abuse Services

What do I offer? The world of medicine will be watching every action psychiatry takes in the future. It's incredibly important that APA sets the proper agenda and delivers on policy aimed at the forgotten men and women in our country, the mentally ill population. As Area 5 Trustee, I will bring a fresh viewpoint combined with diversity in regards to geography, gender, varied psychiatric practice experiences and employment. I possess a vast understanding of how the Board of Trustees (BOT), Assembly, APA staff, DBs, Components, and Caucuses, combined with state and national partners, can together achieve change. Through past service, I formed countless relationships with APA members across the country, which is a vital element in moving APA forward. I understand credentialing and have concerns with scope of practice, MOC and ten year board exams, view issues with a legal perspective, and stand up for minority and diverse viewpoints. As APA Assembly Speaker, I represented every Area and Component of the APA and the position of Area 5 Trustee brings similar responsibility. It's time to unite our profession and move forward with innovative ideas that will mandate improvements in our ability to serve patients and provide them with quality care. As Assembly Speaker, I served two years on the BOT, which included a year on the Executive Committee. We need more communication to members about BOT actions before and after they are made. Additionally, I helped guide an action paper brought by the VA caucus become the first piece of legislation introduced by APA in many years. This made the VA Caucus a true example of how an individual APA member has the ability to influence APA policy. All the aforementioned are positions of leadership and cooperation. With your vote, I believe I will represent all voices as the APA Area 5 Trustee.

Professional Activities

Veterans Affairs Clinician, Co-Chair APA VA Caucus; APA Council Advocacy & Government Relations; OK Medical Association BOT; Alternate Delegate to AMA; VP, Tulsa Medical Association.

Professional Income

Full-time VA and part-time small private practice.