

May 24, 2016

The Honorable Lorena S. Gonzalez  
California State Assembly  
State Capitol, Room 2114  
Sacramento, CA 94249-0080

**RE: AB 2017 (McCarty) – COLLEGE MENTAL HEALTH SERVICES PROGRAM**

Dear Assembly Member Gonzalez:

At its May 20, 2016 meeting, the Board of Psychology (Board) adopted a **Support** position on AB 2017 (McCarty). This bill would create the College Mental Health Services Program, a matching grant program to enhance the provision of mental health services on state college campuses.

The Board supports and agrees with the authors desire to address the unmet need for mental health services for college-aged students who often do not seek mental health services when needed.

The Board's mission is to advance quality psychological services for Californians by ensuring ethical and legal practice and supporting the evolution of the profession.

If you have any questions or concerns, please feel free to contact the Board's Executive Officer, Antonette Sorrick, at (916) 574-7113. Thank you.

Sincerely,



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President, Board of Psychology

cc: Assembly Committee on Appropriations  
Assembly Member Kevin McCarty  
Assembly Republican Caucus