The GAP Fellowship is supported by an unrestricted educational grant from Eli Lilly and Company that supports 14 GAP/Lilly fellows. An additional 1-2 GAP fellows are supported by The Dear Abby Foundation.
Each fellow:

- Functions as an integral member of a committee for two years, participating in the planning and writing of the committee’s projects
- Gains a mentor who aids the fellow with the work of the committee and with other career related issues
- Works with the other fellows to deliver a plenary presentation to the general GAP membership
- Has the possibility of being a named author on a peer-reviewed book or article
- Participates in a workshop on scientific writing
- Interacts closely with peers and leaders in the field from all over the country

Criteria:

The GAP fellowship is designed for outstanding residents. Nominees should demonstrate the following qualities:

- Demonstrated leadership qualities
- Academic excellence
- Capability for writing and/or parallel prior contributions to the literature
- Interest in the interface between psychiatry and society

GAP Committees:
- Addictions
- Adolescence
- Aging
- Child Psychiatry
- College Student
- Disabilities
- Cultural Psychiatry
- Family
- Government Policy
- Human Sexuality
- International Relations
- Medical Education
- Mental Health Services
- Occupational Psychiatry
- Planning, Marketing, and Communications
- Preventive Psychiatry
- Psychiatry and Community
- Psychiatry and Religion
- Psychiatry and the Law
- Psychopathology
- Psychopharmacology
- Research
- Social Issues
- Therapeutic Care
- Therapy

Nominations must include:

- A letter of recommendation from the residency training director
- Current curriculum vita
- Personal statement outlining nominee’s reasons for wishing to become a GAP fellow
- Writing sample or publication

Eligibility:

- PGY-II or PGY-III residents at an accredited psychiatry residency program in the U.S.
- Child and adolescent psychiatry residents at an accredited child and adolescent program in the U.S.

Applications: may be obtained from Frances Roton, Executive Director
Group for the Advancement of Psychiatry
P.O. Box 570218
Dallas, TX 75357-0218
Applications to be solicited in the summer of 2004.
An application implies program support for attendance at all four 3-day meetings.

“Being a GAP Fellow in the early 1970s reinforced my interest and desire to study mental health services and to influence improved access to these services with mental illness in the community. I met and interacted with pioneers in community psychiatry and academicians who were vitally concerned about mental health policy. These included two of my future mentors…and many life long friends.”

Steve Sharfstein, M.D
CEO Sheppard Pratt Hospital
The Group for the Advancement of Psychiatry (GAP) is a psychiatric think tank where leaders in psychiatry meet semiannually to discuss contemporary issues confronting psychiatry and its interface with society.

GAP members work in 25 committees, each focused on a different area of psychiatry. Committees produce written documents, ranging from books to journal articles, in order to communicate ideas to other members of the field and to the public.

Every two years, 15 psychiatry residents from around the U.S. are selected to be GAP fellows.