SOCIAL INCLUSION OF PERSONS WITH SEVERE MENTAL ILLNESS
A WPA INTERNATIONAL CALL FOR RESEARCH PROPOSALS

The World Psychiatric Association (WPA) is the largest association active in the mental health field worldwide, with 135 Member Societies (national psychiatric societies), representing more than 200,000 psychiatrists, and 65 Scientific Sections.

In the WPA Action Plan 2008-2011, one of the objectives is to support international and national activities aiming to promote the rights of persons with mental disorders, including the right not to be deprived of a full social and affective life because of their mental health problem.

As one of the activities pursuing this objective, the WPA will fund an international project based on a collaboration of psychiatrists with public health experts, policy makers or organizations of users or carers, aimed to explore the feasibility and effectiveness of an innovative programme for the social inclusion of persons with severe mental illness.

Proposals will have to include a description of the project (max. 1200 words), a list of the participating centres, a timetable, a detailed budget, and a short curriculum vitae of the principal investigator.

Proposals should be sent by e-mail to the WPA Secretariat (wpasecretariat@wpanet.org) by June 30, 2011.