

# Illinois Psychological Association

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## Medical Psychologists

**Wouldn't it be better  
if your psychologist  
managed your mental health  
medications?**



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## ***Therapy and medicine are effective.***

For many conditions, research shows that a coordinated combination of psychological treatment and medicine is the best way to achieve lasting improvement. Medical Psychologists provide such treatment.

## ***Medical Psychologists are well trained.***

Psychologists are the most highly trained mental health professionals. They average more than seven years of doctoral training in the assessment and treatment of emotional and behavioral disorders.

Medical Psychologists have completed additional postdoctoral education leading to a license in clinical psychopharmacology. They are highly qualified to manage psychological and physical aspects of care.

## ***Legislators need to hear from you.***

Legislators need to hear from you. We will help you contact your state senator and representative to convey your support for prescriptive authority for specially trained Medical Psychologists.

Go to the website of the Illinois Psychological Association

([www.illinoispsychology.org](http://www.illinoispsychology.org)) to register your support and learn how to assist in this legislative effort. You will be able to provide valuable support for the legislation. No one will ask for monetary contributions.

## ***Prescription for progress***

Medical Psychologists in Illinois would be able to prescribe mental health medication such as antidepressants and medicine for anxiety under the bill to be introduced in the next session of the Illinois legislature. They would be authorized to prescribe only mental health medication and **not** general medication such as antibiotics or cardiac medicines.

This progressive legislation will increase access to comprehensive and cost-effective mental health care, especially in the underserved rural and inner-city areas of Illinois.

## ***Want more information?***

Call the Illinois Psychological Association at 312-372-7610 if you are interested in this proposed improvement for Illinois citizens.

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