



MISSD News

Spring 2019

The last months at MISSD have been a whirlwind of busy and productive times for which we are grateful. Here's our good news summary and a special date to remember.

- The International Society for Ethical Psychology and Psychiatry (ISEPP) honored MISSD founder Wendy Dolin for akathisia awareness and safe-patient advocacy. The international Special Achievement award recognizes significant contributions to challenging the conventional mental health system.
- The Jewish United Fund recently awarded MISSD, No Shame on U and Jewish Child and Family Services a 100K break-through grant to co-develop suicide support programs for the Jewish community and beyond. The grant was awarded following a successful program called "Shine a Light on Suicide" which was collaboratively produced by the three organizations. MISSD looks forward to sharing akathisia info as part of this future programming.
- MISSD has made many presentations in the last months to diverse audiences. This includes Com-Psych, the largest provider of employee assistance programs, and an in-depth akathisia class at the Chicago School of Professional Psychology at which students earned three continuing education units.
- A series of eight MISSD podcasts are being produced called Akathisia Stories. Wendy Dolin kicks-off the series by sharing her husband's akathisia-induced tragedy. Dolin also recently discussed veterans' mental health care concerns as a repeat guest on the K9's for Veterans talk show. Both programs will be available on iTunes.
- MISSD is one of several organizations sponsoring the Naomi Ruth Cohen Institute's "Integrating Mental and Physical Health" conference.
- Our newest video, "What Does Akathisia Look Like" has been viewed nearly 10,000 times. Together with our "What is Akathisia" video, MISSD videos have had more than 118K views. Please subscribe to our YouTube channel.
- A strategic expansion of MISSD marketing includes new advertising on the Chicago Transit Authority's pink line that serves various medical schools. Currently trains serving more than 140 stations carry MISSD ads. In addition, the Akathisia 101 course will soon be advertised in Psychotherapy Networker's national magazine for social workers and other mental health professionals.
- MISSD entered the world of digital learning with our free, one-hour, accredited Akathisia 101 course. The course is designed for a wide variety of learners, from social workers to consumers, and offers one continuing education hour.
- Soon MISSD will offer an accredited course designed for medical professionals who can earn one continuing medical education unit. Spend an hour to save a life at MISSD.LearnUpon.com
- This summer MISSD is heading to London for the Royal College of Psychiatrists' International Congress. Thousands of doctors from more than 50 countries will have an opportunity to attend Wendy Dolin's presentation entitled, "Preventing a Crisis Before It Happens: Identifying & Responding to Akathisia."

SAVE THE DATE: This Year's MISSD Gala is October 17th

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Medication-Induced Suicide Prevention and Education Foundation in Memory of Stewart Dolin