

Stephen Hupp, PhD

Personal Statement about the SCCAP Council of Representatives Board Position

The SCCAP Council of Representatives board position calls to me for one simple reason – too few children and adolescents are receiving evidence-based treatments (EBTs). Facing this challenge has been the primary focus of my career, and I’ve observed how the SCCAP has been at the forefront of identifying and disseminating EBTs. There are several ways I’ve tried to promote the science of psychology in my roles as a Professor of Clinical Child and School Psychology, a Licensed Clinical Psychologist, and the Social-Emotional Consultant for the East St. Louis Head Start Program. For example, I’ve conducted EBT-focused research, published EBT-focused books, produced a film related to science-based parenting, and broke a Guinness World Record as part of an effort to promote literacy (please see my faculty bio on the website for Southern Illinois University Edwardsville for more details on these efforts – <https://www.siu.edu/education/psychology/bios/huppbio.shtml>). Additionally, as an Editor-In-Chief for the *Encyclopedia of Child and Adolescent Development* (10 volumes forthcoming), I’ve been working with a large team to disseminate information about the evidence base of several broad aspects of our field. However, I believe that being a part of something even bigger, like the work done by the SCCAP, is the best way for me to help make the most significant long-lasting contributions to the improvement of mental health care provided to children and adolescents.