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Message from the Executive Director, Dr. E. Sally Rogers

Its hard to believe that it has been a year since I became the Executive Director of the Center for Psychiatric Rehabilitation, part of Sargent College at Boston University. I want to take this opportunity to let you know about some of the exciting activities we are engaged in at the Center and what we envision for the future.

The Center for Psychiatric Rehabilitation has been working on a variety of projects, all in line with our mission to assist individuals to recover and assume meaningful roles.

We are in the midst of conducting projects designed to help individuals assume the role of worker. We are studying the effects of “Opening Doors” a new program to provide meaningful career guidance. We are also examining the effects of the Thinking Skills for Work, a cognitive remediation program made to be user-friendly and accessible through the use of computer tablets rather than desktop computers in a program or clinic. We are looking at policies that promote or impede work for

individuals with psychiatric conditions as well as predictors of positive employment outcomes. For individuals who may not view themselves as workers, we have developed Vocational Empowerment Photovoice. We are testing this approach, which is photography-based, to examine worker identity and encourage vocational engagement. The contact people for all of these projects [can be found on our website at](#).

In the next few months, I will let you know more about other important projects we are working on.

9th World Hearing Voices Congress

Boston, August 16-18, 2017.

Now in its 30th year, the international community of the Hearing Voices Movement is coming to US shores for the first time!

For information [vist the conference board!](#)

National Alternatives Conference

Boston, August 18-21, 2017.

The national Alternatives Conference offers life-changing opportunities to those in the mental health peer-recovery movement. It helps mental health consumer/survivors make valuable connections, develop leadership skills, provide and receive peer support, and share expertise and resources.

For information [vist the conference board!](#)

Innovative Technology in Community Health Care Conference and 40th Anniversary Celebration

Boston, September 8, 2017.

Join Vinfen at the Innovative Technology in Community Health Care Conference on Friday, September 8, 2017 at the Joseph B. Martin Conference Center at Harvard Medical School.

For information [vist the conference board!](#)

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LinkedIn Group: Employing People with Psychiatric Disabilities

If you are a person in recovery, employer, or supporter of people with psychiatric disabilities, we invite you to join the Center's new LinkedIn group. For more information, or to join, please visit [our LinkedIn page.](#)

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