

Dear MIP Members,

I am writing with two exciting pieces of news about MIP's future.

**First**, on behalf of the Search Committee, I am pleased to announce that **John Tyler** will be MIP's first Executive Director.

John is an experienced manager, excellent communicator, consensus builder, and team player with a proven track record. He has held leadership roles in the Peace Corp and was a Program Manager at the W.K. Kellogg Foundation and a Program Analyst at Mathematica, where he managed a diverse set of projects, including government healthcare innovations and evaluations of sustainable development interventions abroad. John has also worked in event planning, transition and growth management, and process development. We were impressed with his capacity to understand MIP's vision and also be a hands-on executive director of a nearly 300 person membership-based organization with many moving parts.

John will begin his new role on Wednesday, October 16<sup>th</sup>. You can reach him at [reachmip@gmail.com](mailto:reachmip@gmail.com) at (617) 469-2777. We will be hosting a welcoming gathering later in the fall (details to come).

We have rented office space at 1330 Beacon Street (Suite 265), Brookline, MA, 02445. The new office will allow John and the administrator (still to be hired) a comfortable working space with room for small meetings. As of this week, you will find outgoing Administrator Liz Martin in MIP's new home with John. You can still reach her at [reachmip@gmail.com](mailto:reachmip@gmail.com) and (617) 469-2777.

Once again, I would like to extend our deepest thanks to **Liz Martin**. For more than ten years Liz has—calmly, patiently, and with skill—assiduously overseen a wide variety of administrative duties associated with every aspect of MIP's operations. She has also played an integral part in envisioning our future and in the strategic-planning process that led to the hiring of an Executive Director. We thank Liz—for her commitment to MIP, her graciousness, and the particular care she has given to MIP in this restructuring process.

Thanks also to each of my fellow members of the Planning Committee—Elizabeth Corpt, Ginger Chappell, Larry Chud, Derrick Egbert, Pat Harney, Joyce Klein, Jade McGleughlin, and Rebecca Eddy-Muccilli, and the Search Committee—Elizabeth Corpt, Ginger Chappell, Pat Harney, David Kemmerer, Joyce Klein, Jade McGleughlin, and Rebecca Eddy-Muccilli. I also want to thank our consultant, Michelle Kweder, who guided us through the strategic-planning process and continues to answer our calls as we move through this transition.

**Second**, John's arrival as Executive Director coincides with two big steps forward in securing MIP's financial stability. A grant from Marcy Yuknat of the Grace B Kerr Foundation and a transformational donation from an anonymous donor will launch us toward becoming a solidly sustainable institute, with commitments to broadening and adapting our analytic thinking to address

diversity in all its complexity, to strengthening and expanding faculty development and programming, and to exploring, for and with MIP's members, what psychoanalysis is, and what it is becoming.

Which leads me to my final thank-you: to all of you. We could not have accomplished either of these major steps without you. We are an organization that relies on our membership for monetary support and for the hard work of running MIP. Many of you give countless hours as board members, committee members and co-chairs, and faculty. Thank you for being partners in this stage of growth and renewal for MIP.

Warmly and with much gratitude,

Deborah Dowd  
President