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### ***NEW EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR APPOINTED***

Northfield, IL, USA (24 August 2005) – Susan M. Oster joins the International Psychogeriatric Association (IPA) as the new Executive Director. Ms. Oster has over 20 years of experience in association management representing a broad range of professional disciplines including human resources, accounting, technology, and healthcare. Most recently, she held senior management positions with the Emergency Nurses Association and the American College of Healthcare Executives. Ms. Oster is a Certified Association Executive (CAE) and holds a master of arts in counseling and human development from The University of Iowa as well as a master of management (MBA) from the Kellogg Graduate School of Management, Northwestern University. Ms. Oster succeeds Fern F. Finkel who is retiring and was the association's founding executive director and led the organization for the past 18 years.

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The International Psychogeriatric Association (IPA) is recognized as the world's leading multidisciplinary, not-for-profit organization providing healthcare professionals and scientists with current information about behavioral and biological geriatric mental health. IPA works actively to promote research in the field, and to facilitate international consensus and understanding in psychogeriatric issues.

For more information about IPA and its many programs and services, please contact Susan M. Oster, Executive Director of IPA at [soster@ipa-online.org](mailto:soster@ipa-online.org) or +1.847.501-3310. Bookmark the IPA Website at [www.ipa-online.org](http://www.ipa-online.org)!

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