Name Change Task Force Charge
International Psychogeriatric Association (IPA)

The Name Change Task Force (NCTF) is charged by the President and the Executive Committee (EC) to provide recommendation about changing the organization name. Task force members must be current members of IPA and represent the diverse countries and disciplines within IPA.

The task force is asked to include in their deliberations input from key stakeholders. This includes current members, past IPA leaders, affiliated organizations, groups from which IPA might increase members such as health related groups of multiple disciplines (nurses, social workers, etc.), patient and family advocates, other professional groups related to aging, non-professional representatives of aging, patient families and caregivers.

The task force may use multiple methodologies to gather input and make their recommendation such as surveys, environmental scanning of similar groups, focus groups.

Specifically, the charge is to provide answers to the following questions and summary commentary as requested below:

1. Does the task force recommend that IPA change its name?
   a. Are there specific aspects of the name that should be changed?
   b. Are there specific aspects which should be retained?

   The task force is asked to provide summary commentary for the decision.

2. If a name change is recommended, what process is recommended for selecting new name?
   a. Is the use of branding or other professional input recommended?
   b. Is a separate membership and stakeholder task force recommended?
   c. Does the current NCTF recommend taking on the name selection process?

   The task force is asked to provide summary commentary to support these decisions.

Timeline: NCTF will provide a report of the above to the EC in six (6) months' time.