

**Project Title:** Secondary Trauma in Mental Health Volunteers

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**Project summary:** Progress Report- It was particularly difficult to get the appropriate approvals/permissions for use of the survey, so we had a late start in distribution. We have already released/distributed the surveys and have begun receiving completed questionnaires. The research study has expanded nationally instead of recruitment efforts in Texas only. We do not have preliminary results of the data as we are waiting to gather a substantial number for statistical purposes. We have written one article that has been accepted for publication, presented at one international conference and are scheduled to present at another conference in June 2007. We are hoping to hire a graduate student to assist us in follow up calls with participants.