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Marshall Forstein MD is an Associate Professor of Psychiatry, Harvard Medical School, and Director of the Adult Psychiatry Residency Program at the Cambridge Health Alliance. He is a graduate of Middlebury College, 1971, and the College of Medicine, University of Vermont, 1980. He completed his internship at Presbyterian Hospital at Pacific Medical Center, San Francisco, and his psychiatric residency training at the Massachusetts General Hospital, Harvard Medical School in 1984. He is Board Certified in Psychiatry and a Distinguished Life Fellow of the American Psychiatric Association. He is a core faculty member in the Division of Palliative Care, Harvard Medical School.

He is past member of the National Advisory Council of the Center for Mental Health Services in the Substance Abuse and Mental Health Service Administration. He is a Past President of the Association of Gay and Lesbian Psychiatrists, an affiliate of the American Psychiatric Association. He served as a member of the Residency Review Committee for Psychiatry of the Accreditation Council of Graduate Medical Education from 2008-2014.

Dr. Forstein served as Medical Director of Mental Health and Addiction Services at the Fenway Community Health Center from 1990-2002, when he became the Program Director for the Adult Psychiatry Residency at the Cambridge Health Alliance, Harvard Medical School.

Currently he serves as one of the Area Representatives from the Massachusetts Psychiatric Society to the American Psychiatric Association. He is serving as President of the GLB Caucus of the American Psychiatric Association (May 2015-2017). He served as Chair for 20 years and is now a member of the Steering Committee on HIV Psychiatry for the American Psychiatric Association. He also serves on the APA Council on Medical Education and Lifelong Learning (2015-2017).

Dr. Forstein has published in diverse areas related to the assessment and treatment of sexual minorities, and HIV psychiatry. These publications have included topics such as the psychopharmacologic management of depression, anxiety disorders, and cognitive disorders as well as biopsychosocial approaches to people with HIV. He continues to consult on HIV Grants for the Substance Abuse and Mental Health Service Administration. He is a past recipient of the Leston Havens Award for Excellence in Teaching at the Cambridge Health Alliance, and the Award for Clinical Psychiatry from the Massachusetts Psychiatric Society. He has directed and presented at numerous courses on sexuality, and HIV for the Harvard Medical School Continuing Medical Education Program over the past 20 years. He co-edited a text published by the American Psychiatric Press, Inc. entitled *Therapists on the Front Lines: Psychotherapy with Gay Men in the Age of AIDS*, 1994, and is Co-editor of a journal edition of *New Directions in Mental Health: What Mental Health Practitioners Need to Know About HIV and AIDS*, Fall 2000. He is on the Editorial Board of the *Journal of Gay and Lesbian Mental Health*, and on the editorial board of *Frontiers in Psychiatry*, an online peer reviewed Journal.

Dr. Forstein was the first openly gay medical student in 1976 at the University of Vermont College of Medicine. He met his husband in San Francisco in 1980 and moved back to the east coast to the MGH for his residency training, where he was one of the first openly gay residents. He and his husband adopted a 3 month old baby in 1986; and a gay teenager in 1991.