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NEWSLETTER

SPECIAL SYMPOSIUM EDITION

Turning Precision into Practice: 6th Annual Precision Mental Health Symposium Recap

September 25, 2026

Thank You for Being Part of the 6th Annual Stanford Precision Mental Health Symposium.

On September 25, researchers, clinicians, innovators, and collaborators came together to explore how advances in brain circuit science can transform our understanding of mental health and move precision approaches closer to real-world care.

Guided by this year's theme, From Circuits to Mindsets: Precision Mental Health in the Real World, the symposium celebrated scientific discovery, interdisciplinary collaboration, and the people working to change the trajectory of mental illness.

Whether you joined us in person or are revisiting the event, we invite you to explore the highlights, watch the recordings, and celebrate the research and community that made this year's symposium memorable.





A Symposium of Discovery and Collaboration

52

Research posters

A record showcase of emerging science and innovation.

6th

Annual symposium

Bringing together leaders across neuroscience, psychiatry, and AI.

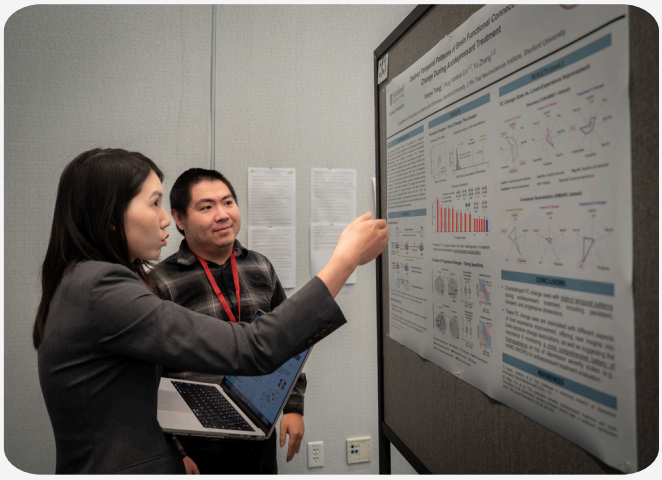
Highlights from the Day



SCIENTIFIC EXCHANGE



COMMUNITY CONNECTIONS



RESEARCH IN FOCUS



A SHARED MISSION

REVISIT THE SCIENCE

From Research to Real-World Impact

Explore the recordings from the 2026 symposium and revisit the conversations, discoveries, and perspectives that are shaping the future of precision mental health.



Dr. Leanne Williams delivers the State of the Field during the 2026 symposium.

THE STATE OF THE FIELD

In her keynote address, Dr. Leanne Williams offered a thoughtful and inspiring "State of the Field," highlighting how precision mental health is moving from discovery to real-world application. She emphasized the need for continued investment in interdisciplinary collaboration, diverse research, and scalable solutions that bring these advances to more people, in more settings, and sooner.

Her remarks set the tone for a day of rich scientific exchange, underscoring the progress we've made—and the work that remains—to transform mental health care.

KEY THEMES FROM THE SESSIONS

- Brain circuits and individual differences
- AI and computational models for treatment response
- Translational research and real-world applications
- Interdisciplinary collaboration across neuroscience, psychiatry, and beyond
- Equity, access, and the future of mental health care

FEATURED REMARKS

Explore remarks from the 2026 symposium



The State of the Field

DR. LEANNE WILLIAMS
DIRECTOR, STANFORD CPMH

WATCH



Opening Remarks

DR. LLOYD MINOR
DEAN, STANFORD SCHOOL OF MEDICINE

WATCH



Welcome Remarks

DR. VICTOR CARRION
VICE CHAIR, STANFORD PSYCHIATRY & BEHAVIORAL SCIENCES

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A Vision for the Future of Psychiatric Neuroscience

DR. JOHN KRYSTAL
CHIEF EDITOR, BIOLOGICAL PSYCHIATRY

WATCH

WATCH ALL 2026 SYMPOSIUM RECORDINGS

Full Playlist on YouTube

Access all sessions, including the State of the Field, featured talks, and the Poster Award & Recognitions session.

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CELEBRATING

Research and Recognition

We congratulate our 2026 poster award recipients and thank all 52 presenters for contributing to an outstanding showcase of research.

Their work reflects the creativity, rigor, and collaboration driving discovery across precision mental health.



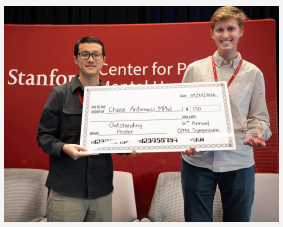
2026 POSTER AWARD RECIPIENTS



POSTER 51

Liangfang Li, PhD

Stratified Precision Medicine Trial of Transcranial Magnetic Stimulation for the Cognitive Circuit Biotype of Depression: Prospective Validation of a Circuit-Based Framework in the B-SMART fMRI Trial



POSTER 41

Chase Antonacci, MPhil

Early Adversity Selectively Reshapes the Somato-Cognitive Action Network in the Developing Brain



POSTER 43

Craig Waldence McFarland, MSc

Genetic Mouse Models of Schizophrenia Do Not Capture Human Neuroanatomical Subtypes: A Novel Cross-Species Approach

EXPLORE THE POSTER AWARDS AND RECOGNITIONS SESSION

Watch the recording in the symposium playlist on YouTube.

MOMENTS FROM THE SYMPOSIUM

A Day of Ideas, Connections and Impact

From scientific presentations and poster discussions to new connections across our community, these moments capture the spirit of the 2026 symposium.

"The power of this symposium is in bringing together different perspectives—from basic science to clinical care—to accelerate solutions for real-world impact."

— 2026 SYMPOSIUM ATTENDEE



Scientific presentations

Inspiring talks from leading voices in neuroscience, Psychiatry, and AI.



Research in focus

52 posters showcasing innovative and emerging science.



Community connections

Building relationships across disciplines and institutions.



Award recipients

Celebrating outstanding research and contributions.



Engaged audience

Thoughtful questions and meaningful discussions.



Our precision mental health community

Together, we advance the science and its real-world impact.

SAVE THE DATE

The Conversation Continues in 2027

September 24, 2027

7th Annual Stanford Precision Mental Health Symposium
Stanford Li Ka Shing Learning & Knowledge Center

Join us next year as we continue advancing the science, collaboration, and translation needed to transform mental health care.

VISIT THE 2027 SYMPOSIUM PAGE →

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