



# NJ ATSA

New Jersey Association for the Treatment of Sexual Abusers

New Jersey Association for the Treatment of Sexual Abusers is a state chapter of the Association for the Treatment of Sexual Abusers, an international non-profit organization "founded to foster research, facilitate information exchange, further professional education, and provide for the advancement of professional standards and practices in the field of sex offender evaluation and treatment."

## ***NJ-ATSA Committees: Welcome Volunteers!***

There are various committees within NJ-ATSA that help us to run more efficiently and accomplish our mission more effectively. If you attend NJ-ATSA meetings, you are welcome to participate in the committees' work; while everyone's contribution and feedback is valued, only NJ-ATSA members are voting members. You can request to be a committee member at any time, or simply offer to assist with a specific task that may be of interest.

If you would like to participate in any of NJ-ATSA's committees, you can sign up at the registration table at NJ-ATSA meetings, contact a committee member or any Board member, or email at [njatsa@gmail.com](mailto:njatsa@gmail.com).

### ***Committee Descriptions:***

**Awards:** *La Teisha Callender, Chairperson; Janet DiGiorgio-Miller, Julie McBride, Jim Reynolds, Carol Somlo*

This Committee is responsible for soliciting nominations and selecting the recipient of the Barbara Frank Award, an annual award to a member of the probation, parole or corrections community that has demonstrated extraordinary efforts in sex offender management, and for coordinating the nomination and selection processes for the Jackson Tay Bosley Award, to honor promising new clinicians, and a Lifetime Achievement Award, which is considered annually for an individual who works with, or provides services for sexual abusers, either in a clinical or non-clinical capacity.

**CEUs:** *Jennifer Schneider, Chairperson; Heather Burnett, Jamie Canataro, Julie McBride, Doreen Stanzione*

This Committee arranges for CEUs for select NJ-ATSA trainings. This includes communicating with outside entities and trainers to facilitate the process, and the NJ-ATSA Board and membership regarding needs and procedures. It also involves completing the necessary documentation and required follow-up and managing all procedural steps.

**Psychology CE Subcommittee:** *Marty Krupnick, Chairperson; Jeff Allen, LaTeisha Callender, Sean Hiscox, Stu Leeds, Jim Reynolds, Jennifer Schneider, Doreen Stanzione, Zach Yoeman*

This Subcommittee is charged with reviewing proposed presentations, so that a recommendation can be made for Psychology CEs for those eligible for credits, i.e., meet the academic standards and requirements.

**Grant/Scholarship Committee:** *Barbara Chayt, Chairperson; Jeff Allen, Tara Ehmann, Sean Hiscox, Marty Krupnick, Stu Leeds, Jessica Oppenheim, Nicole Paolillo*

This Committee is responsible for maintaining/updating the application forms and program descriptions, reviewing applications and selecting recipients for grants and scholarships offered by NJ-ATSA to support projects that advance the field and training opportunities.

Committee members also ensure announcements, (e.g., via social media), communications to the Board and membership, and communications with recipients.

**Hospitality:** *Carol Somlo, Chairperson;* Heather Burnett, Jamie Canataro, Tara Ehmann, Rachael Gillin, Julie McBride, Jennifer Schneider, Doreen Stanzione  
This Committee is responsible for refreshments provided at all meetings/trainings.

**Membership:** *Heather Burnett, Chairperson;* La Teisha Callender, Jamie Canataro, Tara Ehmann, Rachael Gillin, Carol Somlo  
This Committee's responsibilities include membership registration and dues and maintaining/updating all related information for the Membership Directory. Committee members also cover the registration table for all meetings/trainings and while doing so, sign-in attendees, hand out materials, and address any training or membership related issues. Communication with members also falls within the duties of this Committee.

**Outreach:** *Jeff Allen & Barbara Chayt, Co-Chairs;* Nicole Dorio, Sean Hiscox, Nicole Paolillo, Jim Reynolds  
This Committee is primarily responsible for communicating and collaborating with entities outside of NJ-ATSA, including written, oral and in-person communications. Examples are the brochure explaining NJ-ATSA's mission and contact & membership information provided to the ARC of NJ for distribution at their annual conference and developing a speakers' bureau, possibly supplemented with periodic webinars.

**Prevention/Advocacy:** *Tay Bosley & Barbara Chayt, Co-Chairs;* Nicole Dorio, Sean Hiscox, Joanne Kirk, Nicole Paolillo, Jim Reynolds, Jennifer Schneider  
This Committee is responsible for connecting the work of NJ-ATSA with the work being done with victims of sexually abusive behavior. Recently joined by our new survivor representative, Committee members ensure that NJ-ATSA considers prevention/advocacy within the mission and goals of NJ-ATSA.

**Public Policy:** *Barbara Chayt, Chairperson;* Tay Bosley, La Teisha Callender, Rachael Gillin, Sean Hiscox, Marty Krupnick, Jessica Oppenheim, Jennifer Schneider, Doreen Stanzione  
This Committee reviews the relevance, source and appropriateness of requests received by NJ-ATSA from external agencies and committees, reporters, hearings and other public forums and individuals for a written response, conversation, personal appearance or other action as indicated. In coordination with the Social Media Committee, Committee members also review potentially controversial materials for posting/tweeting on social media. As such, the Committee provides information as needed to ensure the information is aligned with NJ-ATSA's mission and goals. Finally, the Committee reviews pending sex offense-related legislation, maintained by NJ-ATSA's executive director, to determine whether to recommend any action by NJ-ATSA Board.

**Recruitment Committee:** *Jeff Allen, Chairperson;* Barbara Chayt, Tara Ehmann, Rachael Gillin, Jennifer Schneider  
The goal of this Committee is to solicit, engage and cultivate diverse membership for the Board and committees.

**Social Media:** *Rachael Gillin, Chairperson;* Nicole Dorio, Tara Ehmann, Maria Pereira-Sosa - Volunteer Member

The Social Media Committee creates and manages all information through social media for NJ-ATSA. It is responsible for keeping members informed of news and events through social media. The goal is to communicate messages that are informative, consistent and promote a positive image on behalf of the organization.

**Website:** *Merrill Main, Chairperson; Tay Bosley, Kevin Clark, Janet DiGiorgio-Miller, Rachael Gillin*

This Committee is responsible for developing, maintaining, and updating the NJ-ATSA website with current information. This includes upcoming trainings, training materials, membership information, contact information, and useful links and resources.

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