

# 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 Grant Program**

#### **General Statement**

The NJ Association for the Treatment of Sexual Abusers (NJ-ATSA), a state chapter of ATSA, an international non-profit organization, currently provides training and networking opportunities for professionals who work in some capacity with sexual abusers, (e.g., clinicians, administrators, law enforcement).

To create new opportunities for individuals and/or agencies, and to continually strive to meet national ATSA's mission 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 is sponsoring a grant initiative, and will award a maximum of \$5000 annually; NJ-ATSA will determine the number of grants to be awarded. The primary objective is to support individuals or agencies that are interested in undertaking a project, or seeking additional support for an existing project that will help to advance the field at the local and/or national level.

Any project that will advance the field may be submitted, as long as the applicant(s) meets the criteria below. Examples are: empirical research projects, intervention or program evaluations, implementation and evaluation of model practices and training programs.

#### Goal:

To support efforts that demonstrate they will advance this important subfield of work with sexual abusers, by those who work in some capacity with this population.

To effectively achieve this goal, the NJ-ATSA Board has created a Grant/ Scholarship Committee, which will review applications, select recipients and provide overall monitoring.

# **Eligibility:**

 Individual or groups, or agency that works with, or provides services for sexual abusers, or students with work or conducting research related to this subfield.

### **Procedures:**

The applicant:

To be considered, an applicant must provide:

- A completed application form, (see www.njatsa.org); additional pages may be attached if needed.
- The submission must include how the project is expected to benefit the field and a list of positive outcomes that will be produced.
- The description and procedures must include activities that will address sustainability of the project beyond the grant period.
- Projects that involve empirical research with human subjects, whether through intervention or interaction or in the form of identifiable private information will be asked to provide additional information, such as Institutional Review Board (IRB) pre-approval and informed consent and other procedures and safeguards for the individual(s).
- Additional information if requested.

The grantee must additionally agree to:

- Announcement of the grant award, e.g., verbally at a NJ-ATSA meeting, or via email or social media.
- Present the project results to the NJ-ATSA membership.
- Provide quarterly reports and an end of grant report.

## NJ-ATSA

The Grant/Scholarship Committee, under the auspices of the NJ-ATSA Board will:

- Advertise the start and end dates for submissions.
- Ensure availability of current applications.
- Provide contact information for a point person to collect applications and address any questions or information requests.
- Collect and review all submissions.
- Announce all recipients.

#### **Attachment:**

• Grant application form.

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