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# SEATA Newsletter

NEWS FROM DISTRICT DIRECTOR,  
MARYBETH HORODYSKI

As I sat to prepare this note for the SEATA Newsletter, I was impressed by the many activities taking place in our profession. At the national level many of the NATA leaders met in Dallas in January for a weekend of work and planning at the NATA Joint Committee Meeting. It is amazing to see the projects moving forward through the various NATA committees. It is exciting to see the Strategic Partners (NATA, BOC, CAATE, and NATA Foundation) working to develop collaborative efforts to grow the profession. Positive changes in our education curriculums are on the horizon.



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## NEWS FROM SEATA PRESIDENT, JIM MACKIE



Dear SEATA Members,

Greetings to all SEATA Members. One of my favorite holiday songs is "It's the Most Wonderful Time of the Year" and honestly beginning a new year feels a little like that is just as exciting. It's a wonderful time as plans are coming to fruition for excellent educational programming for our students, faculty and membership. I

do trust that each had special family time and paused to

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### SPECIAL POINTS OF INTEREST

- SEATA Scholarship Winners
- NATM 2016
- SEATA Safe Sport Schools Grant Application
- Membership Update
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- Calendar of Dates to Remember



# NATA Membership Renewal

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**If you have not paid your NATA dues in full by February 15, 2016, your NATA/SEATA membership will become suspended.**

**Your NATA dues payment includes your National, District, AND State dues.**  
Your payment now covers your annual dues for 3 organizations working to promote, protect, and enhance the athletic training profession at the state, regional, and national level.

[\*\*Click Here to Renew Today!\*\*](#)

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## Featured Membership Benefit

Disability/Life/Health/Professional Liability Insurance



With so much at stake in your personal and professional life, the benefit programs available to you include some of the most important decisions you will ever make. These decisions will help you protect your future, and the future of your family. Mercer Consumer, a service of Mercer Health & Benefits Administration LLC will give you the information you need to make informed decisions about your benefits.

### **Professional Liability Insurance**

- Sponsored insurance plan for NATA since 1986
- 10% discount for NATA members
- Occurrence coverage
- Moonlighting coverage available
- Average savings of 15% over leading competitor

# 41st Annual SEATA Clinical Symposium & Members' Meeting

Please plan to join us at the Crowne Plaza Ravinia in  
Atlanta March 10-13, 2016

Thursday, March 10—Executive Board Meeting	Afternoon/Evening
Friday, March 11 - Clinical Symposium & GAC Fundraiser	All day
Saturday, March 12—Clinical Symposium	All day
Sunday, March 13—NATA's EBP Workshop	8:30AM—1PM

## TENTATIVE AGENDA

*Approved for 8.5 hours of Category A and 4 hours of EBP  
(an additional 2 hours of EBP is pending final BOC approval)*

## CSMM REGISTRATION

Members must login for discounted rate  
Email [SEATA Secretary](#) for registration problems

## HOUSING DETAILS & REGISTRATION

Discounted rate ends February 19, 2016

## NATA 4 hour EBP WORKSHOP

### Maximizing Injury Rehabilitation Motivation

Registration minimum to avoid workshop  
cancellation is 20 registrants (by March 4th)  
and the maximum is 50 registrants

**NOMINATE NOW!**

Nominations are being accepted for the office of District Director

## Eligibility & Requirements

## Nominate a Candidate

Deadline for Nominations is February 26, 2016



Our two journals (*Journal of Athletic Training* and *Athletic Training Education Journal*) have nearly doubled in size and are completely electronic. More work is being done to support the clinical settings where athletic trainers are employed.

SEATA is also very busy. The members of the SEATA Executive Board and our SEATA Committees have worked diligently to start this year with many successful programs. I encourage you to review the information contained in SEATA Board meeting minutes located on the SEATA website. Please accept my sincere appreciation and thanks to all in SEATA who serve on state, district or national committees. I am looking forward to attending our annual SEATA Athletic Training Student Symposium in Atlanta the first weekend of February. The symposium was sold out prior to the beginning of December 2015! I am looking forward to working with the many faculty who volunteer their time to lecture and teach labs for the students in attendance. The SEATA and NATA Foundation Quiz Bowl is always an exciting event at the symposium. Finally, I am hoping to attend as many of the state meetings in SEATA as possible over the next several months. I had the opportunity to travel to Tennessee to attend the TATS meeting in January. The TATS meeting was very successful and had a large attendance.

I want to encourage all to get involved in our profession. Attending your state and our SEATA Clinical Symposium and Members Meeting are great ways to find ways to get involved. Another upcoming event is National Athletic Training Month. The theme this year is ***A Safer Approach to Work, Life and Sport***. I enjoy seeing the excellent projects our SEATA members produce to support and promote our profession. To get started with your planning for NATA Month head to <http://www.nata.org/sites/default/files/NATM2016-toolkit.pdf>.

***'Where is the family?'*** That is the title of a lecture that I had the honor of giving with my colleague Chris Patrick early in my career in SEATA. I would like to take a moment to reflect back to that presentation and challenge all athletic trainers and athletic training students to aspire to be *a part of the family*. From the outside looking in many non-athletic trainers say to me that I am lucky to work in a profession where my colleagues help each other and seem to enjoy working together as a team. I want to challenge all SEATA members to remember that we are in this profession to provide the best care possible to our athletes/patients. I question how we can provide the best care if we don't work together. A description of the Medical Time Out (MTO) in athletics can be found at <http://www.nata.org/sites/default/files/TimeOut.pdf>. We can thank SEATA member Ron Courson and his colleagues for pushing the MTO initiative to athletic trainers. The MTO begins with the medical staff for the host school meeting with the visiting staff for introductions and review of the EAP for the venue. During the high school basketball season I can be found

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courtside of many games. For the past two years I have travelled to over 30 games. While not all schools had an athletic trainer, I am saddened to report that at only three schools did the host athletic trainer even take the time introduce themselves. *Where is the family?* Please join me in building our great profession by doing an MTO before each event, you might meet a new colleague, make a new friend or more importantly, save an athlete's life.

I am honored to serve the members of SEATA and the NATA. Please contact me if I can be of help to you as you work and care for your athletes/patients. If you would like to become involved more please contact any SEATA Board member or the leaders of your state association.

Again, thank you for allowing me the opportunity to serve you,



MaryBeth Horodyski, EdD, LAT, ATC, FNATA  
Vice-President and District IX Director  
National Athletic Trainers' Association

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## THANK YOU TO OUR ***DIRECTOR'S PARTNER***



# SEATA ELECTION

## VP SPECIAL ELECTION & BY-LAWS AMENDMENT RESULTS

The proposed  
SEATA By-Laws [Amendment to  
Article 7](#) was adopted by the SEATA  
membership.

### Vote Results:

Approve	530	90%
Reject	3	0%
Abstain	58	10%

The Special Election for Vice  
President resulted in the need for a  
Runoff\* between the two  
candidates with the highest votes  
valid votes received.

Bob Hammons*	200	31%
Jeff Hopp*	264	41%
Rob Ullery	170	27%
Abstain	7	1%

	# OF ELIGIBLE VOTERS	# VOTED IN SPECIAL ELECTION	%
OVERALL	5086	641	12.6
AL	503	45	8.9
FL	1709	157	9.2
GA	989	167	16.9
KY	492	95	19.3
LA	380	47	12.4
MS	302	49	16.2
TN	702	81	11.5
PR/VI	6/3	0/0	0.0

\* The Runoff election results are currently being validated by the  
SEATA Elections accountant and should be available by February 17.



# Athletic Training Student Symposium



BRIANNA HARPER

A Thank You From

## ***The 31st Annual SEATA Athletic Training Student Symposium***

The students and faculty had an outstanding weekend at the 31st Annual SEATA Athletic Training Student Symposium! Over 900 students and faculty attended the event. This opportunity exposed students to educational seminars, hands-on labs, and unique networking events.

The Student SEATA Athletic Training Symposium has always been a great opportunity for students to interact with faculty and colleagues, present case studies, and show school spirit during the Quiz Bowl Competition. Congratulations to the **University of Florida** for being this year's Quiz Bowl Champions! The University of Florida will represent District 9 at the Quiz Bowl Championships during the 67th NATA Clinical Symposia and AT Expo, in June.

Additionally, students were able to show school spirit by competing in the 5th Annual Canned Food Drive, benefitting the Atlanta Community Food Bank. Congratulations to **Middle Tennessee State University** for bringing the most canned food items! In total the students gathered 1,001 pounds of food, which is equivalent to 863 meals!



Quiz Bowl Champions:

**University of Florida**

Jackson Whaley, Emily Kruithof, Josh Hare, and Nick Sample.



Kyle Guidry, Louisiana Student Senator Representative loading Food Drive items.



## ***A Special Thank you to Lab Sponsors and Professors!***

### **Labs included:**

Kinesiotaping

Joint Mobilizations

Field Evaluation and Emergency Situations

Core stability/ Exercise Prescription

Advanced Protective Taping Techniques



### ***Testimonials:***

“I loved the Kinesiotape lab! The new techniques I learned will be very useful at my clinical site.”

-Track B student

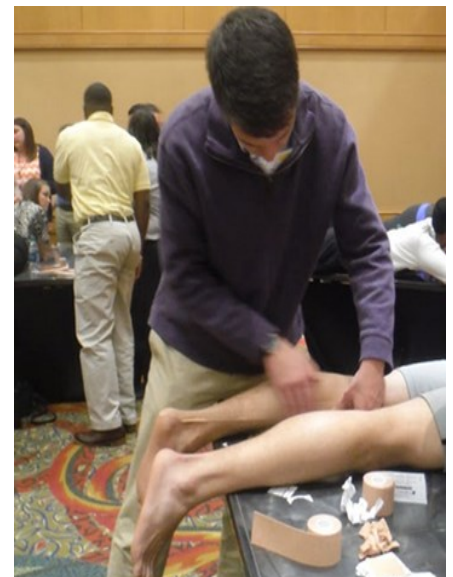
“This year’s symposium has been my favorite of all three years I have attended. It’s so awesome to see people that I’ve met from different schools!”

- Track C student



“The BOC review session was very helpful!”

-Track C student





# **“Thank you Professors, Sponsors, and Faculty for a wonderful and educational weekend!”**

**-Your Student Senators**



Back Row: Steve Patterson (EC/CUATS Liaison), Kyle Guirdy (Louisiana Senator), Vashoula Kostogiannes (Florida Senator), Ashley Williamson (Alabama Senator), and Maxwell McClure (Georgia Senator), Jeremy Stevens ( D9 NATA Repersetrnative)

Front Row: Mia McCarthy (Florida Senator), Brianna Harper (Committee Chair), Sara Johnson (Kentucky Senator), and Amanda Januchowski (Tennessee Senator)

Not Pictured: Kathryn Carter (Mississippi Senator)



# **CONGRATULATIONS**

## ***2016 NATA Award Winners***

### **Athletic Training Service Award**

Karen Lew Feirman, MEd, LAT, ATC

Jeff Hopp, ATC, LAT

Joan Mann, ATC, LAT

Scott B. Swope, ATC, LAT, EMT-P

Larry R. Ullery, MS, ATC

Michael Van Bruggen, MS, ATC, LAT

### **Fellows**

Gianluca Del Rossi, PhD, ATC

## ***HALL OF FAME***

***Gary B. Wilkerson, EdD, ATC, FNATA***



be grateful for our many blessings. Recently, I completed a webinar on developing strategies for self care to learn how to become focused, energized, productive, motivated, mindful, rested, nourished, fit and developing other good habits. Take the time to take care of yourself, if you don't who will?

We are in the midst of a very important Special Election Runoff for Vice - President. Gerard White, the recently elected Vice President will move in to the President's role and thus the need for the Special Election. There were three excellent candidates, one which will fill this role in June as well. The By-laws changes were approved to simplify some processes and align more closely with the NATA By-laws.

Beginning February, 5-6, the 31st Annual SEATA Athletic Training Student Symposium and Athletic Training Educators Workshop at the Crown Plaza Ravinia Hotel. Beginning with the Student meeting, Co - Chairs Pattie Tripp, PhD, ATC, LAT, CSCS of the University of Florida and Karen Lew, M.Ed., ATC of the University of West Florida along with R.T. Floyd, EdD, ATC, of the University of West Alabama have assembled an outstanding program and faculty to provide a most noteworthy program unique in it's nature. The Educators Workshop, under the leadership of Bud Cooper, EdD, University of Georgia and Dr. Mandy Jarriel, Georgia College & State University have prepared an outstanding program. We will welcome the over 950 participants and trust that this will be a most beneficial experience for all. We are again setting a record with an early sold out program.

In March (11-13), the 41st Annual SEATA Clinical Symposium will be held in the Crown Plaza Ravinia in Atlanta, GA. Vice President David Green is doing an excellent job of planning our Clinical Symposium along with exhibits Chair Rich Frazee, of the University of West Florida and co-chairs Brady Tripp, PhD, ATC, LAT, University of Florida, Michelle Boling, PhD, ATC, LAT University of North Florida, and Aaron Sciascia, MS, ATC, NASM-PES, University of Kentucky. We look forward to congratulating our Scholarship, and Awards recipients, both national and district in February and March. Before we know it we will meet again in

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Thank you to our ***President's Partner:***



# News from President Mackie

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Baltimore. Along with our Symposium and EXPO we will have the opportunity to Hit the Hill in Washington, DC. Plan now to join us. The Foundation will also be celebrating 25 years, so come celebrate too.

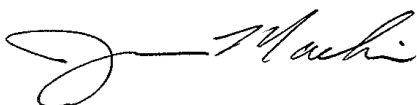
We are grateful to the SEATA servant leadership beginning with NATA District 9 Director, MaryBeth Horodyski, EdD, LAT, ATC, FNATA who works tirelessly on your behalf and that of our profession. Treasurer Tim McLane, MBA, LAT, ATC, AEMT and Secretary Donna Wesley, MS, ATC are to be commended for their outstanding contributions with our website transition, multiple administrative tasks as well as keeping us financially stable. I would also like to thank our Parliamentarian, Chuck Kimmel for his wisdom and direction he provides to our Executive Board and membership in matters of governance.

Volunteerism is a key to our stability and we thank you for each who serve on committees for our district and nationally as well. Thank you to out-going Scholarship Chair Gianluca del Rossi, PhD, ATC, LAT for his devotion and leadership. Bill Welsh MS, ATC, CHES of Kentucky State will now chair this committee. Shelly Linens, PhD, ATC served as Research and Education has now moved to Oregon, we thank and wish her all the best.

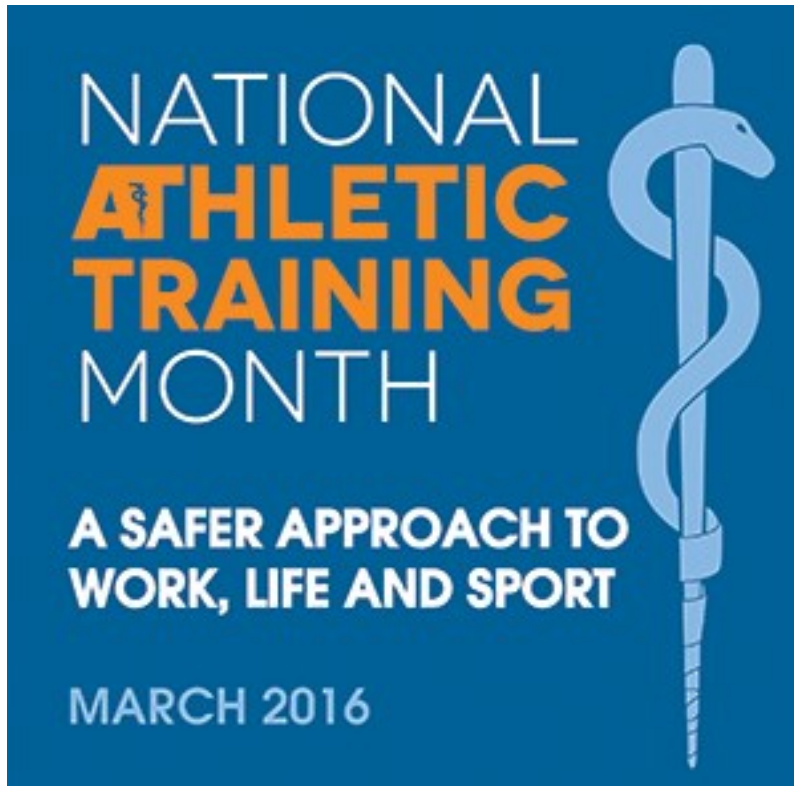
On a final and personal note, I recently made a decision to resign as your District Director elect and a new Director will be elected through a soon to be announced special election and new Director elect chosen by you to assure a smooth transition in June. My decision is personal and allows me to refocus my life priorities. It has been my honor and privilege to have served in some servant leadership capacity for many years and it's simply time to step aside. I am so grateful for your support, kind expressions, and an abundance of meaningful relationships through the years. I could not be happier or blessed.

It is my honor and pleasure to serve you as your President both now and hopefully through June and I appreciate your confidence. Please feel free to call on me to assist you in any way. Best wishes as you begin this new year.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Jim Mackie", with a stylized, flowing script.

Jim Mackie, M.Ed., LAT, ATC, SEATA President



Keep us informed of your NATM activities and please include plenty of photos.

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[NATM PR Toolkit](#)

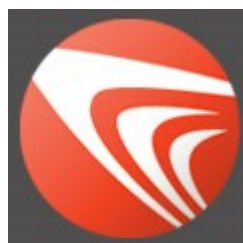
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Thanks to our ***Executive Partners:***

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# SEATA SCHOLARSHIP COMMITTEE



BILL WELSH

## UNDERGRADUATE

**SEATA Memorial Undergraduate Scholarship (\$1000)**

*Zoe Greim* Nova Southeastern University

**Jerry Rhea/Atlanta Falcons Undergraduate Scholarship Award (\$1000)**

*Sarah Murphy* The University of West Alabama

**Jim Gallaspy Student Leadership Scholarship (\$500)**

*Emily Kruithof* University of Florida

## GRADUATE

**SEATA Memorial Graduate Scholarship (\$1000)**

*Rachel Evans* University of Kentucky

**Jerry Rhea/Atlanta Falcons Graduate Scholarship Award (\$1000)**

*Taylor Temnick* Eastern Kentucky University

**Hughston Sports Medicine Foundation Scholarship (\$500)**

*Josh Williams* Troy University

## FAMILY

**SEATA Family Scholarship (\$500)**

*Russell King* Valdosta State University  
son of *Diane and Harrold King*



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We hope to see you in  
Baltimore

June 22-25, 2016  
for the NATA Clinical  
Symposium & AT Expo!



67th CLINICAL SYMPOSIA & AT EXPO

JUNE 22-25 • BALTIMORE, MD

Registration Opens March 1, 2016

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## ALABAMA NEWS

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### CHARLIE DAVIDSON TO BE HONORED

Longtime Athletic Trainer and ALATA member Charlie Davidson is set to receive a Special Achievement Award by the Huntsville-Madison County Athletic Hall of Fame. Davidson will be honored for his service to the athletes and coaches at Huntsville High, Grissom and Randolph School.

The 24th Annual induction banquet will take place on Monday, April 11 at the Von Braun Center North Hall, beginning at 7 PM.



## 2016 Educational Summer Symposium – June 1-2

The LATA will be hosting their 2016 annual educational symposium on June 1 – 2 at the Paragon Casino and Resort in Marksville, La. The Education Committee is planning to offer 12-13 hours of continuing education during the two-day event. The Paragon Casino and Resort is fun for everyone, even kids and families! The resort includes a Spa, Golf course, Cinema, 3 swimming pools and you can check out Kids' Quest and the NEW Cyber Quest for a safe exciting environment for the kids. Stroll through the Atrium's alligator habitat. Enjoy the great outdoors on the beautiful Tunica-Biloxi

Nature Trail, located adjacent to the hotel.



The Hall-of-Fame Committee will be inducting Karen Lew Freirman and Gerard White as their two newest members on Thursday, June 2<sup>nd</sup> during the LATA Honors and Awards Banquet.

Karen began her professional career at Southeastern Louisiana University from January of 1998 through July of 2010, where she held numerous positions at the university.

Her career began as assistant athletic trainer and lecturer. Her passion; however, was athletic training education. In August of 2002, Karen became the program director of the first accredited Athletic Training Program in Louisiana. For eight years, she served as the program director for Southeastern Louisiana University and assisted in promoting athletic training education throughout the state.



Karen has been a dedicated member of the athletic training profession, having made numerous presentations and authored publications at the local, state, and national levels. She has served on a variety of committees at state, district, and national levels. Karen has served on several committees over the years for the LATA, including six years as the Director of Continuing Education, where she chaired the Education Committee. Most recently, Karen was named as a 2016 recipient for the NATA's Athletic Training Service Award

Gerard began his professional career serving as an Assistant Athletic Trainer at the University of Louisiana at Monroe (1988-89). He worked as the head athletic trainer at Waxahachie (TX) High School (1989-1990), Delta State University (1990-92) and then became the Head Athletic Trainer (1992-2001) at Nicholls State University, where he is

# LOUISIANA NEWS

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still employed. Gerard currently serves as the Clinical Education Coordinator and Assistant Professor for the Athletic Training Program at Nicholls.

Gerard's experience in both state and district leadership roles began with his election as LATA Treasurer (1999-2007), with 3 of those years serving as the Louisiana Representative on the SEATA Executive Board (2004-2007). He was appointed as the SEATA Parliamentarian (2008-2010) and elected as President of LATA (2010-2016) of which he is completing his final year of a second term. While serving as LATA President, Gerard has been an active member of the Louisiana High

School Athletic Association Sports Medicine Advisory Committee (2010-2015). Recently, Gerard was elected by the SEATA Membership and will serve as the President of SEATA.

## GEORGIA NEWS

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### New Logo



## Georgia Athletic Trainers' Association



# ATTENTION STUDENTS...



## Are you a student leader?

Are you interested in serving on the SEATA Student Senate?

Contact a current [SEATA Student Senate](#) member with your questions.

Submit your [Application](#) before April 1, 2016 to apply to be your next state representative.

Apply today for the [Bobby Gunn Student Leadership Award](#)

[Bobby Gunn Student Leadership Application](#) must be completed by April 30, 2016

[DeLoss Brubaker Undergraduate Student Writing Contest](#)

Submissions are due by March 1, 2016



Has your school joined the [2016 National Athletic Training Student Challenge?](#)

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## CONNECT WITH NATA!





The BOC is pleased to announce new activities that will qualify for Evidence Based Practice (EBP) CEUs during the 2016-2017 reporting period. The expanded list will help Athletic Trainers (ATs) receive credit for activities that rely on EBP principles but were not previously counted under this category.

Following are newly-eligible EBP activities:

New Ways to Earn EBP CEUs	
Qualifying journal quizzes that were previously counted in Category A	
Accreditation Council for Continuing Medical Education (ACCME) Category 1 CME programs offered by BOC Approved Providers	
Authorship of a peer-reviewed journal article addressing patient-oriented clinical research or translational research	
Post-certification coursework from a CAATE accredited AT post professional program	
Accredited medical or healthcare provider residency or fellowship with a focus closely related to athletic training	
Graduate of a PhD/EdD/DSc program may qualify if dissertation has a narrow focus of athletic training	

ATs can search the BOC's new [online directory](#) to find all BOC approved home studies and live events, including EBP Category programs. The directory is continuously updated.

BOC Approved Providers are urged to review emails and other communications from the BOC to learn more about this expansion.

Complete information on eligible EBP Category programs is available in the [2016-2017 Certification Maintenance Requirements](#) document.



# DID YOU KNOW?

The NATA has produced several informational sheets for members to use in educating the community on sports medicine topics.

[VCD-EILS vs. Asthma](#)

[Concussion](#)

[Hydration—Heat Illness](#)

[Environmental Cold Injuries](#)

[Tommy John](#)

[Sudden Cardiac Arrest](#)

You can register to receive targeted communications from the NATA based on your professional interests or employment status.  
Simply sign-up for the quarterly newsletter



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### Why an NPI?

The National Provider Identifier (NPI) is a unique 10-digit number that individually identifies all health care providers. Prior to 2004, the primary identifier for health care providers was either a state license number or a unique physician identification number (UPIN). Because different health care providers used various types of identifiers, Medicare required NPIs for all health care providers. All HIPPA compliant health care providers, including athletic trainers, are required to use the NPI as their identifier in all EMR systems when transmitting health information.

The athletic training profession is positioned to be a leader in health care reform, since our team based approach to health care is the model on which the future is based. As the health care industry moves to adopt prevention as a key component of patient care, athletic trainers must be at the forefront. Missing this opportunity would be extremely detrimental to the future of our profession.

As health care providers, athletic trainers should have an NPI, regardless of setting. The reasons are varied:

**AMA Recognition**—A little over a decade ago, the profession of athletic training was recognized by the American Medical Association (AMA), but with an acknowledgement that was not setting specific. NATA battled for years to obtain this recognition and yet have been unable to progress further while the health care arena has continued to evolve.

**CMS Recognition**—CMS considers approved providers based on a number of factors- one of which is the penetration of the provider throughout the country. The most common searchable data is the NPI of the profession. If all 43,000 NATA members had NPI numbers, our market presence would be more impressive to those accessing the data. However, we currently only have 54% of certified members who have obtained their NPI.

**Regulatory**—As with CMS, when regulatory agencies or legislators are attempting to identify the market presence of a particular health care profession, an NPI search is the industry standard.

**Value and Credibility**—There is strength in numbers. Using NPI statistics gives athletic trainers more power in legislative, regulatory, and health care initiatives, increasing our value as an allied health care provider.

**Third Party Reimbursement**—The most commonly understood reason to have an NPI is its necessity when billing third party payers for services performed by a health care provider. Any claim submitted to an insurance company must identify the athletic trainer by an NPI or the claim will be rejected.

**NATA/COPA/COR**—Multiple attempts to increase NPI participation have been carried out on the national, district, and state levels. Unfortunately, to date, there has been only an 8.8% increase in overall member NPI enrollment, most of which are occurring with recent graduates.

For further information or for step-by-step instructions on how to apply for your NPI, see <http://www.nata.org/NPI>



DR. KRISTEN SCHELLHASE

## AT TEACHING TIPS

Created by the Professional Education Committee

Goal: To recognize and share innovative teaching and learning ideas by academic professionals in the field of athletic training through the distribution of pedagogical tips that can be used to enhance the teaching, learning, and assessment environment.

Tips will demonstrate strategies that align with one of the categories below:

- Increasing Student Motivation
  - Promote Active Learning
- Engage Students in Learning Course Related Content
- Develop Learner Attitudes, Values, and Self-Awareness



**RANGE OF MOTION**  
CURRENT NEWS IN HEALTH & SPORTS



## NATA Foundation

DR. PATTIE TRIPP

[2015 NATA Foundation Investor Report](#)

[District 9 NATA Foundation Representation](#)

# SHOW AN ATHLETIC TRAINER SOME LOVE THIS MONTH!

*Think outside the heart-shaped chocolate box this Valentine's Day by honoring someone who really deserves some extra appreciation – a fellow athletic trainer!*

The NATA Research & Education Foundation invites you to join its **#ThankAnAT** effort this month. Is there an AT (mentor, teacher, professor or coworker) you'd like to thank for their contribution to the profession? Make that person feel loved this month by donating to the NATA Foundation in their honor.

Make sure to tell us who you are thanking this month by posting about it on social media using **#ThankAnAT**. Help us spread the love!

The NATA Foundation is celebrating its 25th anniversary in 2016 and has set a fundraising goal of \$500,000. If every NATA member donated \$25, we would raise more than \$1 million to support AT research and education!

Thank an AT at [donate.natafoundation.org](http://donate.natafoundation.org)

Learn more about the mission of the NATA Research & Education Foundation by visiting [www.natafoundation.org](http://www.natafoundation.org)



## #ThankAnAT



**NATA  
RESEARCH &  
EDUCATION  
FOUNDATION**







The SEATA Executive Board in collaboration with the SEATA Secondary Schools Committee is pleased to announce the SEATA Safe Sport School Grant Program. In 2014 the SEATA Executive Board generously designated \$6750 to assist schools in need with grant funding for their NATA's Safe Sport School Award application fees. Each state or territory within District Nine of the NATA is allocated to award up to \$750 in grant funding.

Schools desiring assistance with application fee funding should complete the [Safe Sport Schools Application](#) and forwarding it along with their SEATA request for funding assistance to the [SEATA Secondary Schools Athletic Trainer Committee Chair](#) and [SEATA Treasurer](#). The SSATC Chair will coordinate with the respective state's committee member and president to determine grant funding approval. Grant funding preference will be given to schools meeting all criteria for 1st team selection, however, all schools meeting 2nd team criteria are encouraged to apply.

To submit your application for a SEATA Safe Sports School Grant, the following materials are required:

1. Completed [NATA Safe Sports School Application](#) including all required signatures,
2. Completed Declaration and Release From including all required signatures,
3. A descriptive narrative (500 word maximum) explaining why the application should be selected for funding. Your NATA membership number and National Provider Identification (NPI) number must be included on the questionnaire. If you do not have an NPI number, [Click Here](#) for details on how to apply.
4. Answer all questions on the **SEATA Safe Sports School Grant Questionnaire** (see page 27).

All application materials must be submitted electronically to SEATA Secondary Schools Athletic Trainer Committee, Chris Snoddy and SEATA Treasurer, Tim McLane. Incomplete applications will be returned and not considered.



### Safe Sports School Grant Funding Questionnaire

All funding requests may be submitted throughout the year but submitted and postmarked no later than June 1st of each year.

Date of request: \_\_\_\_\_

Name of School: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_

Name of AT submitting request: \_\_\_\_\_

Contact e-mail: \_\_\_\_\_

Contact phone: (M) \_\_\_\_\_ (O) \_\_\_\_\_

Is this schools designated as a Title I school? yes or no

Is the Athletic Trainer a current NATA / SEATA member in good standing? yes or no.

NATA Member # \_\_\_\_\_ BOC # \_\_\_\_\_

NPI# \_\_\_\_\_

Is the AT full time at the school or provided by a clinic or hospital? \_\_\_\_\_

What is the school enrollment? \_\_\_\_\_

How many total sports are at your school? \_\_\_\_\_

**Rationale for request:** (500 words or less as to the reason for the need)

#### SEATA USE ONLY

Date App received by SSATC Chair: \_\_\_\_\_

Date App approved by SSATC Chair, State rep \*& State President: \_\_\_\_\_

Date App submitted to NATA: \_\_\_\_\_

Date of approval or denial by NATA: \_\_\_\_\_

Date of payment by SEATA Treasurer: \_\_\_\_\_

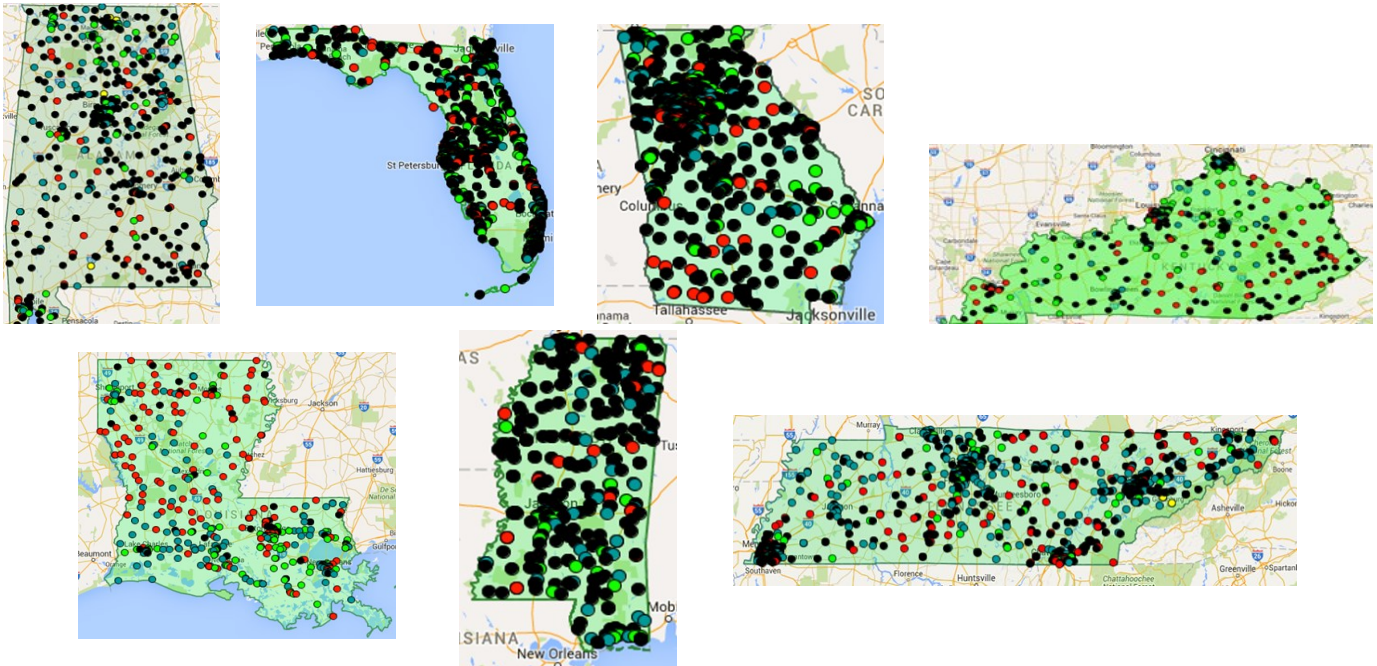


**Attention District 9 Secondary School Athletic Trainers!**  
**Are Your Athletic Training Locations And Services Mapped Correctly By the NATA Secondary School Committee and the Korey Stringer Institute for the (**A.T.L.A.S**) Project?**

Step 1: Check [your state map](#) for the ATLAS Project

Step 2: Please help the NATA SSC and KSI update your information by completing this [questionnaire](#) (5-10min) and your marker will be updated for your school. (Please allow 3-5 days upon completion for map to be updated)

If you have any questions please contact [robert.huggins@uconn.edu](mailto:robert.huggins@uconn.edu)



## STAY CONNECTED WITH YPC

National



District



Alabama



Florida



Georgia



Kentucky



Louisiana



Mississippi



Tennessee



### Are You Attending SEATA in March?

Join us for our 2<sup>nd</sup> Annual Meet & Greet /YP Social. Come mix and mingle with other young professionals in the profession. Get the opportunity to meet your YP State Representatives and see how you can become involved in your state.

Alabama – Ciara Taylor

Florida – Nicole Scott

Georgia - Vanessa Abrams

Kentucky – Jordan Light

Louisiana – Soleil McLaughlin

Mississippi – Ashley Morgan

Tennessee – Lyndsay Sullivan

**\*STAY TUNED FOR MORE DETAILS**





## JOHN BARRETT

The NCAA has released the **Mental Health Best Practices-Inter-Association Consensus Document**. Please share these documents with your campus counselors, crisis intervention teams, housing and residence offices, academic personnel and presidents. <http://www.ncaa.org/sites/default/files/Mental%20Health%20Best%20Practices%20WEB%20SINGLE.pdf>

Please be attentive to the **Independent Medical Care for College Student-Athletes Inter Association Consensus Guidelines**. <http://www.ncaa.org/health-and-safety/independent-medical-care-guidelines>

In January 2015, the five Division I conferences with autonomy around student-athlete well-being matters passed **Concussion Safety Protocol Legislation** that builds upon previous NCAA concussion legislation. The new legislation states that each school must submit a concussion safety protocol to the Concussion Safety Protocol Committee – also created by the legislation – for review, and the protocol must be consistent with the **Inter-Association Consensus: Diagnosis and Management of Sport-Related Concussion Guidelines**. All 65 schools had to submit their concussion protocols and they were subsequently approved. All protocols are available online at [www.ncaa.org/concussionsafety](http://www.ncaa.org/concussionsafety) You can click on any of those schools to see their protocols.

135 additional schools have opted into the concussion review.

The NATA has released an official statement on **College Supervision of Student Aides**.

This may be found on the NATA website at <http://www.nata.org/official-statements>

The NATA Board of Directors has approved the CUATC proposal for a **Best Practices Summit for Appropriate Healthcare of student athlete**. Date & Location TBD.

CUATC is collaborating with the **Taylor Hooton Foundation** on a joint project regarding supplements and APEDs

## Sports Medicine Licensure Clarity Act

(114<sup>th</sup> Congress - House Bill H.R.921; Senate Bill S.689)

Currently have 105 co-sponsors. Looking to leadership to motivate members to contact legislators. Targeting specific members of congress due to shortened year because it is an election year. Please continue to ask your administrators, doctors, coaches to write to their congressional leaders to ask them to co-sponsor and support these bills.







EDAC

DR. KYSHA HARRIELL

#### **Bill Chisolm Professional Service Award**

The Ethnic Diversity Advisory Committee (EDAC) is currently seeking nominations for the Bill Chisolm Professional Service Award. This award recognizes an individual who has contributed to the development and enhancement of ethnically diverse athletic trainers.

#### **Award Eligibility**

- NATA members nominated must be in good standing
- Non-NATA members may be nominated

Candidates are not required to be a member of an underrepresented ethnically diverse population

For more information go to <http://www.nata.org/edac-bill-chisolm-professional-service-award> or contact the District 9 EDAC Chair, Dr. Kysha Harriell at [kharriell@miami.edu](mailto:kharriell@miami.edu)

#### **Seeking EDAC State Representatives**

This SEATA EDAC Committee is seeking state representatives from Tennessee and Kentucky. The mission of EDAC is to identify and address issues relevant to the ethnically diverse populations to better serve the needs of our patients, as well as members of the profession. Committee members need not be ethnically diverse to assist with these goals. Please contact the District 9 EDAC Chair or your State President if you are interested serving or if you want to nominate someone to serve on EDAC.

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**The NATA will soon be launching an updated website.**

Please make sure to check the email in your Membership Profile as this will be used to access the Members' Only content.



# SEATA LEADERSHIP



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## Does your school qualify for the Safe Sport School Award?



Take this quick [9 question quiz](#)  
to see if you qualify.

To see the full list of Safe Sport School  
Award Winners, [Click Here](#).

Do you know a company or  
organization that would be of  
value to athletic trainers?

[2016 Corporate Partner Plan](#)

Contact [Rich Frazee](#), SEATA  
Corporate  
Partnership Chair.



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# SEATA Update

## Membership



<i>As of February 9, 2016</i>	ACTIVE	SUSPENDED/ NON- MEMBER	TOTAL
Certified Regular	4272	1	4272
Associate	72	0	72
Retired Certified	111	0	111
Honorary	28	0	28
Non-Member	0	2293	2293
Student Undergrad	1104	0	1104
Student Graduate	103	0	103
Student Certified	342	0	342
Retired Associate	1	0	1
Career Starter Cert	398	0	398
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>6431</b>	<b>2293</b>	<b>8724</b>



Help us ensure that you  
continue to get SEATA and  
NATA communications  
by updating your  
[NATA Membership Profile.](#)



**February 15, 2016**—Deadline to pay NATA dues; membership becomes suspended

**February 19, 2016**—Deadline for reduced rate on Crowne Plaza Ravinia hotel reservations for 2016 Clinical Symposium & Members' Meeting

**February 26, 2016**—Deadline to nominate candidate for District Director Special Election

**February 28, 2016**—Deadline for advanced registration for 2016 CSMM in Atlanta (after this date must be done on-site at additional cost)

**March 1, 2016**—Beginning of **National Athletic Training Month 2016**

**March 1, 2016**—Registration opens for NATA Clinical Symposium & AT Expo

**March 1, 2016**—Deadline to meet minimum requirement of 20 registrants for NATA EBP Workshop

**March 1, 2016**—Deadline for Deloss Brubaker Undergraduate Student Writing Contest submissions

**March 10, 2016**—SEATA Executive Board Meeting (Atlanta, GA—TBA)

**March 11-12, 2016**—2016 SEATA Clinical Symposium & Members' Meeting, Crowne Plaza Ravinia, Atlanta, GA

**March 13, 2016**—NATA EBP Workshop—Maximizing Injury Rehabilitation Motivation

**March 14, 2016**—Voting begins in Special Election for District Director

**March 31, 2016**—Deadline for nominations for the Governmental Affairs Committee's Dan Campbell & Bill Griffin Awards

**March 31, 2016**—2015 BOC EBP Annual Reports due for EBP Providers

**April 1, 2016**—Deadline for submission of SEATA Student Senate Application

**April 15-17, 2016**—GATA Annual Meeting & Symposium, Columbus, GA

**April 30, 2016**—Deadline for Bobby Gunn Student Leadership Application submission

**May 27-28, 2016**—ALATA Annual Meeting & Symposium, Birmingham, AL

**June 1-2, 2016**—LATA Annual Meeting & Symposium, Marksville, LA

**June 7-9, 2016**—MATA Annual Meeting & Symposium, Biloxi, MS

**June 10-11, 2016**—KATS Annual Meeting & Symposium, WKU

**June 22-25, 2016**—67th NATA Clinical Symposium & AT Expo, Baltimore, MD

## OUR VISION

We will be recognized as the professional healthcare association of choice for certified athletic trainers who provide expertise in the areas of prevention, recognition, evaluation, immediate care, rehabilitation and reconditioning of injury and illness, healthcare administration and professional development and responsibility in the practice of athletic training.

## MISSION STATEMENT

We are committed to enhance the quality of healthcare provided by certified athletic trainers and to advance the athletic training profession.

In recognition of this commitment, we will strive to deliver these services through cost-effective, high quality comprehensive programs and care in the communities we serve.

SERVICE  
EDUCATION  
ADVANCEMENT  
TEAMWORK  
ADVOCACY

