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To those members who have moved, we need your help! Your corrected contact information is requested. Please go to the NATA website "Members Only" section [www.nata.org/members1/members.cfm](http://www.nata.org/members1/members.cfm) to update. Please be assured your information is secure. It will only be used for NATA membership communication.

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## President's *Update*

Over the past several months information sharing and one meeting makes up my message for November. The fall season is one that seems to take up the most time with football and soccer being the main focus. This association has stayed in touch by phone calls and emails to work behind the scenes.



Mark White ATC-L  
President, NCATA

As most of you know the writing campaign was unsuccessful in support of the changes that were taking place with the "incident to" wording about medicare/medicaid billing. It, from what I have been able to gather was a done deal. Thanks to all individuals and groups that supported the letter writing campaign. The NATA is looking at other avenues in this area and will inform us as to our options and in what direction we will proceed.

The BOC is currently working with all states so that the "ATC" credential that we all use remains as a BOC only credential. They control the copyright. States that currently use the ATC-L may have to issue a new credential so that we do not infringe upon the BOC's rights to the credential. Please refer to your last licensure newsletter for specific information about the credentialing issue. We should have a definitive clarification about this soon.

We had 2 conference calls with all the state presidents in district 3 along with Charlie Rozanski and Marty Baker. Charlie informed us that the NATA was in the process of rewriting our mission statement. The wording will be changed to reflect what we are now doing as Athletic Trainers'. The new MAATA website has been up and running for since the spring. A new College/University award has been established so look at the site for nomination criteria. Also a reminder about online renewal of your NATA dues, online renewal is preferred.

Lastly, the NCATA will hold open nominations for the vice-president and treasurer's position as well as district representatives from the odd numbered districts. If you wish to nominate an individual for these positions send me an email and make sure that the person you nominate is willing to serve. Nominations will close on December 1.

As the holiday season quickly draws near the NCATABOD and I wish all of you a safe and happy holiday season. You spend a tremendous amount of time with your athletes during the holidays so don't forget about those close to you. Make time for family and friends and cherish those moments.

Happy Holidays,  
**Mark**

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***This is Your Call For Nominations!***

Elections for officers and representatives will take place in March. Nominations for offices of the Vice President and Treasurer as well as District representatives in districts 1,3,5 & 7 will take place between **now** and **December 1st**. If you are interested in an office you can have an individual nominate you. If you desire to run for a district position you must live in that district. Vice-President and Treasurer can come from any member of the NCATA.

Send nominations to the President of the NCATA by clicking on the following link.  
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**NCATA Recommends Changes to  
Provisional Licensure Requirements  
for Health Occupations Education**

The NCATA has proposed changes to the specific requirements for a Career-Technical Education License in area 720, Health Occupations Education. This would allow for a broader definition of individuals allowed to teach Health Occupation Education classes, including those in Athletic Training.

**Mark Your Calendar!**

**NCATA Annual Meeting and Symposium  
March 11-13**

**Hoilday Inn - Woodlawn, Charlotte NC**

**Information to follow in early January**



**NCATA**  
*Hall of Fame  
with inductee  
plaques.*