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Since 1974, the NCATA has served to support athletic trainers, to promote and advance the profession of athletic training in North Carolina. The NCATA is a member of the Mid-Atlantic Athletic Trainers' Association (District 3) and the National Athletic Trainers' Association.



President's Message

Nina Walker, MA, LAT, ATC

Hello Colleagues,

Hope this finds you well and seeing a nice mid-semester or season break on the horizon. These amazing days have really helped increase mood of all those around us.

I could not be more excited with spring on the way and the work of our amazing Programming Committee, NCATA Leadership Institute sponsored by Atrium Health-Charlotte committee and DEI committee. They have created such incredible opportunities for our members and with the diverse educational opportunities there is no way to leave this conference without learning something. We are so grateful to Novant Health for the use of their beautiful facilities in Winston Salem. There are talks for ATs at every setting and networking/learning from so many different aspects of athlete training. Take a look at [this schedule](#)! Also to note there will be a ton of extras included; **vendor reception** prior to the quiz bowl, **Student and YP event** at ROAR sponsored by Atrium Health Wake Forest Baptist, **Tailgate themed Social** while watching the Duke-UNC basketball game (will also have trivia, games and our awesome **silent auction**- Bring cash and your check book you won't regret it!!) We will also have an extra 3 free CEUS and Lunch associated with our **DEI workshop: Not Just a Catch Phrase** where we dive into the experiences and mental health implications during clinical education and in AT environment. Great for faculty, students, preceptors and all clinical athletic trainers!!

Wow! So much happening, hope you are all taking advantage of the opportunities that are available for our members!

I couldn't end this without a huge shout out to our Honors and Awards Committee! The work that went into this year's winners and inductees was amazing and so worth it. We are celebrating some outstanding ATs. Special high praise for our newest Hall of Fame Members **Kevin King** and **Dr. Bill Prentice**. Can't wait to hear their words of wisdom at the banquet.

Also a special thanks to all of our vendors. Thanks for your support! Members make sure you visit their tables and support their organizations.

Keep liking and reposting our stuff from social media, best way to keep us in your feed and learn about all the great stuff that is happening!!

Keep being GreAT!!!
Nina

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MARCH 2023



Council on Practice Advancement (COPA)

As 2023 begins our State General Assembly has recently begun the long session. This is a great time to reach out or visit your legislators in Raleigh, or when they are home in your district. Invite your local legislators to visit your work setting, stop by their office, make a phone call, or send an email and thank them for their service. With recent elections, take a moment to welcome and meet new legislators and share your athletic training passion. Please reach out to Ashley or Dan anytime to discuss details on contacting legislators. Bill Coburn and Brandon Johnson are working on materials to assist you on your visit or with communication. They will be posted on our page of the NCATA website, so look for those in the next few weeks. Also, we are working to link sites so that our members can easily discover who represents them and how to best make contact. Finally, be sure to follow and like your representative and senator if you wish to make connections with them.

If you have not registered for your NPI, please do so. The NATA continues to report that only 35% of ATCs have an NPI.

Applying for your NPI is quick, easy, and free. Visit the [CMS National Plan & Provider Enumeration System](#) to complete your application today. Follow our [Step-by-Step NPI Application Instructions](#) to apply today. **(NATA)**.

If you have any interest in learning more about COPA or joining in this committees work, please contact Ashley Long or Dan Duffy. Serving our profession is very gratifying and enables our profession to continue to thrive in today's healthcare system. Please reach out to any of our state leadership and committee chairs if you would like to be involved in the NCATA in any way.



Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion

The Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion Committee is looking forward to building on the momentum from many successful last year in 2023.

This February, the DEI committee is hosting our Black History Month Book Club all month long on the book *The Best of Enemies*. Join us on Instagram all month long for discussion and stay tuned for an in person end of book meeting to discuss themes with your peers!

The DEI Committee is also proud to present a workshop following the end of the NCATA Spring Symposium focused on Bias and Discrimination in Clinical Education Settings. The workshop will include a panel of students and educators of color, a small group session working on case scenarios, and a presentation on the mental health effects of experiencing bias and discrimination. Register by adding the optional registration on your NCATA Symposium registration. The workshop is presented for free with lunch included and 3 Category A CEUS.

Stay up to date with the DEI Committee by following us on instagram @ncata_deic!! This is the best way to find upcoming events, resources, and statements as we respond to current events and share upcoming opportunities for discussion!

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2023

NOT JUST A CATCH PHRASE: DEI WORKSHOP

05 March 2023

1pm Post NCATA
Symposium
Conference

REGISTRATION

✉ ncatadei@gmail.com

Add your DEI Workshop Registration to
your NCATA Symposium registration.
Workshop is free of charge with lunch and
3 CEUs included! Sign up at the
conference accepted as well!



TOPICS INCLUDED

BIAS AND DISCRIMINATION IN
CLINICAL EDUCATION

MENTAL HEALTH IMPACT OF
BIAS AND DISCRIMINATION

The Settings Committee

The Settings Committee hosted a town hall event on Jan 30th. We had close to 50 members join in to discuss the current climate of athletic training in the various professional settings. This was a great way to kick off the new year with problem solving and we look forward to continuing the conversation. We are working on planning an April event focused on recruiting more students to the athletic training profession, more information to come. We hope to see everyone at the NCATA Symposium Social.

The Young Professionals Committee

The Young Professionals Committee is excited to announce that we are partnering with Atrium Health Wake Forest Baptist to host a social after the quiz bowl during the NCATA Spring Symposium! The event will be Friday, March 3rd from 9-11pm (immediately following the quiz bowl). The social will be in downtown Winston-Salem at ROAR (633 N Liberty Street, Winston-Salem), a 20's themed bar with boutique bowling and sports simulators. Come enjoy some FREE food and FREE access to bowling and game simulators! This event is open to all young professionals, students, and YPs at heart. Please use the QR code to sign up and tell your friends!

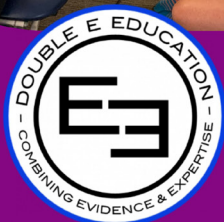
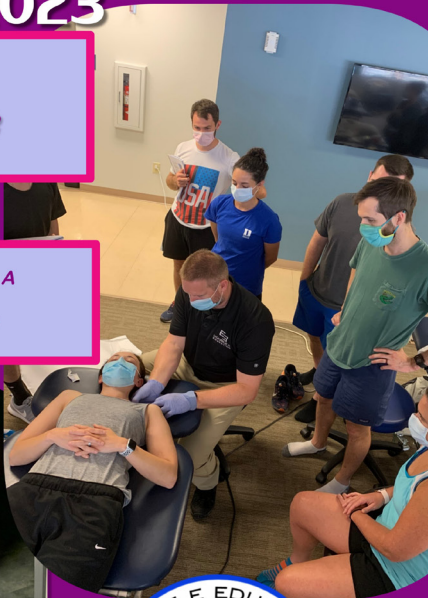
In addition, the YPC will be holding a raffle for all young professionals to cover the cost of 1 lucky winners registration fee! Sign up and pay online like normal and when you arrive enter the drawing. We will do the drawing Saturday night and reimburse the winner



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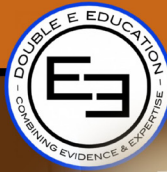


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Sneak Peek for our 2023 Honors and Awards Ceremony

Here is a sneak peek at our 2023 Honors and Awards Ceremony recipients.

2023 Hall of Fame Inductee's



Dr. Bill Prentice, PhD, ATC, PT, FTNATA



Kevin King, MA, LAT, ATC

2023 Bill Griffin Most Distinguished Athletic Trainer



Dr. Ashley Long, PhD, LAT, ATC, CBIS



Dr. Jolene Henning, EdD, ATC

2023 NCATA Presidential Award



Ken Brown, MHD, AT-Retired



Bobby Guthrie



Mt. Olive Family Medicine Center

NCATA Service Award



Taryn Strickland, MA, LAT, ATC



Katie Romano, DAT, LAT, ATC



Emily Gaddy, MS, LAT, ATC, PES, YES

Join us on March 4th at 12:00 noon as we honor our award recipients, lifesavers and scholarship winners.

Public Relations Committee

Spring Symposium Social!

Don't miss our Symposium Social Saturday, March 4th in Winston-Salem! This event is a great opportunity to network in a casual setting, and grab some food and drinks. Our tailgate themed social will take place following the programming on Saturday (6:30pm) in the same location as the Symposium. With tailgate favorites to snack on, you'll be able to watch the battle of the blues, try to win some awesome prizes with trivia, or just kick back and relax with cornhole and other tailgating favorites. No matter your choice you will be in for a great evening.

Our silent auction to benefit our Political Action Committee will take place during this event, so please bring cash/checks (*no credit cards will be accepted*). We are still collecting donations for this auction. If you have an item to donate, please email [Trent Hayes](#).

We hope to see you there!

NCADA Conference

Dr. Katie Hanes-Romano will be speaking to NC athletic directors at the 2023 state conference to be held in Wilmington NC. Dr. Hanes-Romano will be discussing facts and figures as it pertains to improving athletic healthcare. With the media attention ATs received from Damar Hamlin's collapse on MNF, the athletic directors are eager to learn about the importance of ATs as well as how they can make improvements at their schools to ensure that they are prepared for an emergency and the legal precedent that is set for not being prepared.

NCBATE

If you have any questions or need any information regarding state licensure, practice act, statute, rules & regulations, or the athletic trainer/ physician protocol; please contact the state licensure board at www.ncbate.org or email Paola Learoyd, Executive Director.

LAT Applicants do not have to wait for Board Meetings to have their licensure applications reviewed. Through the use of the new [LAT Portal](#), the Board will review all complete LAT applications on the 1st and 15th of the month.

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