Our mission is to promote the value of its member organizations by providing advocacy, visibility and professional development to facilitate their economic viability, which is essential to ensure their ongoing capacity to deliver quality, cost-effective healthcare and social services and supports to those they serve.

Opportunities abound for you to contribute to our advocacy by participating in our Practice Groups.

Take it from some of our members:

“NJAMHAA has it all: advocacy, policy analysis, training, information technology (IT) consultation and great networking opportunities.” - Jim McCreath, PhD, LCSW, Vice President, Behavioral Health/Psychiatry, Trinitas Regional Medical Center

“Today, more than ever, being a member of a guild association is not just important, it’s vital. It’s like insurance: You may not always have a pressing issue, but when you do, you have a place to go. The shared concerns are brought to a higher level within state leadership.” – Manny Guantez, PsyD, LCADC, Vice President, Outpatient and Addiction Services, Rutgers - University Behavioral Health Care

“NJAMHAA has been an incredible partner, collaborator, coach and advocate for many years now. We continue to be impressed and inspired by the services NJAMHAA provides as well as their staff. An outpatient agency with a relatively small footprint like UCPC could easily be an island unto ourselves without NJAMHAA. Yet, with the assistance, skill, communication efforts and grassroots action of NJAMHAA, we are instead an active partner with the community of mental health providers working as a team towards a common goal: To be accessible, attentive, and continually responsive to the pain and the stigma of mental illness and addictions, and bring about healing, recovery and a better quality of life for all those that we serve.” – Richard L. Rodgers, LCSW, Executive Director, Cornerstone Community Wellness

“The training and practice groups have provided valuable learning and networking benefits to our staff in a variety of our programs. We consider NJAMHAA to be an invaluable resource for our organization.” – Rich McDonnell, LCSW, Executive Director, Family Guidance Center of Warren County

“Participating in the Adult Mental Health Practice Group has provided opportunities to validate issues and concerns our agency may experience with state contracting, other payors or with funder/ regulator policy. We are then able to help develop advocacy strategies to minimize any negative impact on those we serve or on ourselves as providers and maximize quality service delivery for those in need.” – Harry Postel, MSW, LSW, Associate Executive Director of Operations, Catholic Charities, Diocese of Trenton

See the other side for specific examples of how NJAMHAA helps strengthen your organizations and the entire mental health and substance use treatment community.
NJAMHAA Offers a Wealth of Valuable Opportunities to…

Gain Critical Information that Affects your Organization

▪ Up-to-the-minute information via e-mail, alerts and meetings about changes in state and federal legislation and regulations that impact the substance abuse and mental health communities
▪ “Ahead-of-the-curve” information updates on requests for proposals, grants, funding and business development opportunities
▪ Timely news on clinical studies, new best practices and more

Build Awareness of your Programs and their Value

▪ Opportunities to feature your organizations’ programs and specific achievements in NJAMHAA News, which is sent not only to members, but also to state legislators and policymakers, and our Congressional delegates – These are critical opportunities to educate decision makers about the impact of your programs, and therefore, garner their support to ensure sufficient funding and practical regulations and legislation.
▪ Opportunities to be featured in NJAMHAA Newswire, our electronic newsletter for members that is published three days a week– As with NJAMHAA News, this information sharing could lead to valuable partnerships.
▪ Opportunities to exhibit and advertise at our many educational events throughout the year at reduced rates

Enhance your Ability to Serve Consumers and their Families

▪ Training opportunities throughout the year, ranging from workshops on timely issues, such as healthcare reform, Medicaid changes and fraud prevention, to our premiere Annual and Fall Conferences
▪ Access to e-learning opportunities at great rates, offered by NJAMHAA’s business partners
▪ Subscription to Bits & Bytes, which provides valuable tips to keep your computer systems working safely and efficiently, as well as important news related to IT and the behavioral healthcare field, such as HIPAA security and electronic records
▪ Access to the NJAMHAA IT Project and its wide range of technological services, including electronic health record collaborations, training classes and expertise.

Take a look at what our members have to say about the IT Project

“We have benefited greatly from the information technology contract services provided by NJAMHAA to our organization. These services are accessible, responsive and timely. Most importantly, they are done properly and our MIS operations would be in chaos without NJAMHAA’s expertise and outstanding services.” – Rich McDonnell, LCSW, Executive Director, Family Guidance Center of Warren County

Feedback provided on IT Project Annual Conference evaluations:
“Great combination of healthcare and IT information.”
“Another great choice in speakers. Humorous, interesting and informative.”

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