



# Benefits of Individual NJAMHAA Membership

## Who is eligible for individual membership?

Any mental health, substance use and developmental disability professional, including clinicians, finance professionals and others, is welcome to join because everyone can benefit from and contribute to the NJAMHAA network. Individuals who have retired from the field are also encouraged to join to stay in touch with the industry, especially if they are serving as consultants for provider organizations. Full-time students are welcome to join at a special rate to gain a competitive edge by learning about the latest news in the industry and networking with professionals from every corner of the state. The current rate for individual membership is \$274 and the students' rate is \$109.

## Our mission is to promote the value of its members as the highest quality behavioral healthcare providers for the residents of New Jersey through advocacy and professional development.

We do this by providing advocacy, visibility and professional development to facilitate our members' 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, as well as the entire mental healthcare, substance use treatment and developmental disability service community.

## Membership Benefits Include:

- **Enhancing your Ability to Serve your Community**
  - Training opportunities throughout the year, ranging from workshops on timely issues, such as healthcare and payment reform, Medicaid and Medicare changes, cyber security and fraud prevention, to our premiere Annual and Fall conferences focusing on clinical, policy, technology and business topics
  - Invitations to participate in Membership Meetings, held every other month
  - Invitations to participate on Practice Groups (Addictions, Adult Mental Health, CFO, Children's) to contribute to our advocacy, share ideas, and network (not available to student members)
- **Gaining Critical Information Relevant to your Field**
  - Up-to-the minute information via electronic newsletters, e-mail alerts, social media and meetings about changes in state and federal legislation and regulations that impact the mental health, substance use and developmental disability communities
  - "Ahead-of-the-curve" information updates on requests for proposals, grants, funding, and trainings
  - Timely news on local and national events, rates, regulations, clinical studies, new best practices and more
- **Discounted Member Rates and Exclusive Opportunities**
  - Member discounts on conferences, trainings and advertising
  - Access to e-learning opportunities at great rates, offered by NJAMHAA's business partners
  - Subscriptions to *NJAMHAA Newswire*, an electronic newsletter published three times a week with the most current local and national news and announcements; *NJAMHAA News*, a quarterly publication dedicated to highlighting member achievements; and *Bits N' Bytes*, a quarterly publication that shares valuable tips to keep your computer systems working safely and efficiently

## This is what some of NJAMHAA's members are saying about us:

*"NJAMHAA keeps largely exceeding expectations during the pandemic with information sharing and support!!"* – Margarita Derelanko, Individual Member

*"Our NJAMHAA membership has been extremely beneficial through the years by providing valuable connections, trainings and advocacy surrounding important issues, such as changes in the healthcare system and prepping for fee-for-service."* – Derry Holland, LCSW, Chief Executive Officer, Oaks Integrated Care

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Please note: Individual members, including students, are not eligible to vote or run for the Board.