

NCPA NEEDS YOU!!! - PLEASE VOLUNTEER FOR A COMMITTEE

Volunteer today by returning it to the NCPA office. A member of the committee will contact you. Note your top two choices by indicating #1 and #2. **Don't keep location from letting you volunteer – many committees are doing work by e-mail and conference call.**

Your Name _____

Phone _____ E-mail _____

_____ **COLLEAGUE ASSISTANCE COMMITTEE** - Meets 5-6 times per year. The committee provides peer consultation and develops educational materials and resources to facilitate the optimal functioning of psychologists in NC. Projects include writing articles, making presentations on wellness issues, and providing consultation/support to psychologists through a telephone helpline. The committee is seeking two new members.

_____ **CONTINUING EDUCATION (CE) COMMITTEE** – Meets four Saturdays during the year, typically from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m., in Greensboro or Raleigh. The Committee plans the conferences and CE offerings for NCPA and NCPF, as well as reviewing applications for co-sponsorship of CE events. Work is in progress now on the 2018 conferences.

_____ **DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE** – Meets by conference call four to five times a year in the evening. The committee develops and implements fund raising plans and projects aimed at achieving the mission and goals of the North Carolina Psychological Foundation.

_____ **DISASTER RESPONSE TASK FORCE** – Meets four times a year. Coordinates mental health disaster response among American Red Cross, NC Division of Mental Health, and mental health professions. Advocates for use of best practices in Disaster Mental Health.

_____ **DIVERSITY COMMITTEE** – Meets two times by conference call and one in-person (Durham) each quarter at 7:15 pm. The Committee plans cultural competency trainings and workshops; aims to generate more diversity in the membership and leadership of NCPA; and assesses ways to enhance inclusion of multi-culturalism into the practice of psychology.

_____ **EARLY CAREER PSYCHOLOGISTS COMMITTEE** – Meets quarterly in person or via conference call. Meets to discuss issues of interest to ECPs and to plan/recommend projects for ECPs. Members will take an active role in assisting with organizing networking and social events, generating ideas to grow the ECP group, contributing to writing/newsletter/social media exchange, and expanding ECP involvement across NC.

_____ **FINANCE COMMITTEE** – Meets on the second Tuesday of the month from 9:00 am to 10:00 am in the NCPA Office with a conference call option available. Oversees the finances and financial policies for NCPA, DIPP, and NCPF.

_____ **INSURANCE COMMITTEE** – Meets on the third Friday six times a year (Aug., Oct., Dec., Feb., April, and June) from 9:30 to 11:45 a.m. at the NCPA office. Conference call-in available. Focus is on access to care and reimbursement issues including managed care companies, State Health Plan, Health Choice, Medicaid, Medicare, worker's comp, disability determination, testing, etc.

_____ **LAW AND PSYCHOLOGY COMMITTEE** - L&P members typically have training and experience in Forensic Psychology. We are especially interested in psychologists doing Child Custody Evaluations and related issues. Members are expected to be a resource to other NCPA members. Writing for the NCPA newsletter is an ongoing obligation. Committee communication is mainly through email.

_____ **LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEE** – Meets the second Monday 8:30AM to 10AM via conference call. Committee works on issues surrounding both State and Federal legislation. Recent topics include extension of commitment privileges, mental health reform, the budget for MD/DD/SA, elimination of the death penalty for people with severe mental illness, and scope of practice issues.

_____ **MEMBERSHIP COMMITTEE** – Corresponds, recruits, reviews new member applications and helps with retention of members. Currently meets quarterly at the NCPA Office on Thursdays at 12:30 pm; other months' work is done via email. Be a committee member anywhere in the state and attend the special meetings if you can. Conference call-in available.

_____ **NEWSLETTER COMMITTEE** – Needs additional Associate Editors who can create and develop ideas for our quarterly newsletter, and who can write well about psychology and related matters affecting North Carolina. There is a conference call every three months to plan each issue and beyond. Please send a writing sample to Mary Bastone at the NCPA office. All work is done by conference call and e-mail except for an annual face-to-face meeting at the NCPA office in Raleigh.

_____ **SCIENTIFIC, ACADEMIC, AND STUDENT AFFAIRS COMMITTEE (SASA)** – 3 to 4 meetings in Raleigh during year; other committee work is done by email. Projects include: establishing liaison relationships with graduate psychology departments and internship programs, organizing annual Undergraduate Conference, reviewing student posters at the Student Research Poster Session, and offering feedback to students; Student Research and Travel Grant for NCPA Graduate Students offered annually.

_____ **PUBLIC EDUCATION COMMITTEE** – The increasing visibility of mental health issues including integrative care, Parity, PTSD, and violence highlight the need for an active and effective public education effort. Committee goals will include identifying, developing and disseminating education materials about the value of Psychology to the public and other professionals. Optimizing use of live and virtual presentations and social media will also be priorities. Meeting formats and schedule will be determined by committee members.

_____ **PUBLIC SECTOR COMMITTEE** – Meets by-monthly by conference call to discuss and work on issues related to services in the public sector – health and human services and corrections. Develops position statements, has input into public policy. Seeking members interested in public sector issues.

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