



Special Edition

North Carolina Substance Abuse
Professional Practice Board
Newsletter

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Anna Bridgers Misenheimer Is New Executive Director Of The NCSAPPB

Anna Bridgers Misenheimer became the new Executive Director of the NCSAPPB on February 26, 2007. Since 2000, Anna has been the Associate Executive Director of the Board and is well known to substance abuse professionals across North Carolina. She has often been the first point of contact for persons seeking credentialing information and has assisted hundreds of substance abuse providers in becoming certified and licensed practitioners in our state. In assuming these responsibilities, Anna remarked to the Board, "I am delighted to take on this leadership role with such an outstanding group of dedicated professionals."

A native of Rocky Mount, NC, Anna is a 1999 graduate of UNC-Chapel Hill with a major in Political Science. At UNC, she served as Secretary of the Delta Delta Delta Sorority. Anna is very involved in community affairs, having volunteered with NC Prevent Blindness and Meals On Wheels. She also competed in an Olympic distance triathlon in Hawaii to benefit the Leukemia and Lymphoma Society of North Carolina.

Anna is assisted in the office by the team of Paola Ribadeneira, Barden Culbreth and Donna Strickland, each of whom provides dedicated service to the Board and professionals across the state.



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—Anna Bridgers Misenheimer



Starting on the front row, from left: Paola Ribadeneira, Associate Director, Anna Bridgers Misenheimer, Executive Director, Carol-Ann Tucker, President, E. Ann Christian, Board attorney. Second row: Nora Noel, Bert Bennett, Lidia Bly-Herman, Kim Anthony-Byng, Tony Porrett, Clyde Ebron, Kevin Connolley, Tim Hall, L. Worth Bolton, Cheryl Gentile, Dewayne Book, Flay Lee, Danny Graves, Joe Fortin, Mark Crabtree, Iris Shafer, Michael Furey, Deborah Bryan, Jane Albers, David Turpin, and Randy Thornton.

Exam Dates For 2007

All exams are held in Burlington, NC

Written Test Dates

[deadlines for all exams is sixty (60) days prior to testing date]

March 10, 2007	September 15, 2007
June 9, 2007	December 15, 2007

Oral Exam Dates

[deadlines for all exams is sixty (60) days prior to testing date]

March 7 and 8, 2007	September 12 and 13, 2007
June 6 and 7, 2007	December 12 and 13, 2007

NCSAPPB 2007 Election Calendar

Each year, all credentialed professionals have the opportunity to nominate themselves or other persons to run for seats on the NCSAPPB Board. All persons nominated must hold one of the Board's credentials, must be nominated by a person licensed or certified by the NCSAPPB (or be self-nominated) and must live in North Carolina.

All persons who are nominated should indicate in writing to the Board that they are ready, willing and able to serve, if elected. In addition, each candidate for Board office should submit a statement to the Board of no longer than 50 words to answer the following question: "If elected, what will I bring to the Board?" This statement will accompany the ballot which is mailed to all credentialed professionals.

This year, the Board has four vacant seats to fill. Two seats are available in the Eastern region, one seat is available in the South Central region and one at-large seat is available. Please submit your nominations to the Board office via mail or email: anna@recanc.com.

Certified Substance Abuse Prevention Consultant Written Exam

The International Certification and Reciprocity Consortium/Alcohol and Other Drug Abuse, Inc. (IC&RC/AODA) completed its Role Delineation Study Update Report for the Prevention Specialist examination in January. Beginning in March 2007, applicants for the Certified Substance Abuse Prevention Consultant will be administered a newly compiled written examination. The IC&RC and the Board are excited to offer this updated and improved examination to its applicants.

2007 Election Cycle

Election Nominations Begin	March 11, 2007
Election Nominations Close	May 11, 2007
Ballots Mailed First Class	May 14, 2007
Ballots Due to Board Office	June 5, 2007
Ballots Counted	June 7, 2007
Results Announced to Board	June 8, 2007
All Nominees Contacted by Mail	June 11, 2007
New Board Member Orientation	September 13, 2007
New Board Members Sworn-In and Seated	September 14, 2007

Current Board

Carol-Ann Tucker, President,
Eastern Region, Greenville

Tim Hall, Vice President,
South Central Region, Vass

Dewayne Book, Vice President,
North Central Region, Whitsett

Kimberly A. Anthony-Byng,
Vice President,
Western Region, Concord

Deborah Bryan, Secretary,
Raleigh

David Turpin, Treasurer,
Raleigh

Bert Bennett, Greensboro
Lidia Bly-Herman, Oak Island

Worth Bolton, Raleigh

Kevin Connolley, Wilmington

Mark Crabtree, Clayton

Eugene "Clyde" Ebron, Greensboro

T. Joe Fortin, Kernersville

Cheryl Gentile, Greenville

Danny Graves, Charlotte
(Chair, Nominating and
Elections Committee)

Al Greene, Winston-Salem

Richard Henderson, Manson

Michael Herring, Goldsboro
(Chair, Standards Committee)

Flay J. Lee, Charlotte
(Chair, Executive Committee)

Adrian McCoy, Charlotte

Nora Noel, Wilmington

Iris Shafer, New Bern

Tommy Smith, Maiden

Randy Thornton, Morganton

Helen Wolstenholme, Cary
(Chair, Ethics Committee)

Anna Bridgers Misenheimer
Executive Director, Raleigh

Paola Ribadeneira
Associate Director, Raleigh

E. Ann Christian,
Attorney and Legal Counsel
to the Board, Raleigh

Amendment To Calendar For Board Scholarship Requests Submission

After receiving feedback from applicants about Board Scholarship application periods and notification dates, the Board has reviewed and amended the calendar for submission of scholarship requests for the remainder of this year. The newly-established timeline should allow sufficient time for selection of preferred tracks at various conferences upon notification that the scholarship has been awarded. Conversely, the new calendar would allow a scholarship applicant sufficient

time to make alternate arrangements should he or she not receive the scholarship.

Please remember that the Board's scholarships are available only to counselors certified or licensed by the Board. A written request for consideration should be submitted to the Board office including one's full name, address, telephone numbers, credential number and expiration date, and statement of financial need.

Calendar For Board Scholarship Requests Submissions—2007

Conference	Application Period Begins	Application Period Ends	Notification to Recipient
Addiction: Focus on Women Conference (Dianne Morton Memorial Scholarship)	April 2, 2007	April 13, 2007	After April 25, 2007
NC Summer School (Julian F. Keith, Jr. Memorial Scholarship)	May 7, 2007	May 18, 2007	After June 11, 2007
APNC Fall Conference	May 7, 2007	May 18, 2007	After June 11, 2007
NC Winter School (2007)	August 20, 2007	August 31, 2007	After September 17, 2007
McLeod Institute Scholarship (Carolyn D. Marlowe Memorial Scholarship)	November 19, 2007	November 30, 2007	After December 14, 2007
Prevention Conference (Arthur Jones Memorial Scholarship)	November 19, 2007	November 30, 2007	After December 14, 2007

Note: All letters of request must include:

Full Name / Full Address / Office and Home Telephone Numbers
 Certification Number and Expiration Date / Statement of Financial Need

All Applicants for the Board's scholarships MUST be certified or licensed by the Board.

North Carolina Department Of Health And Human Services Initiates Statewide Problem Gambling Services

The North Carolina Department of Health and Human Services (DHHS) is responsible for the development and implementation of a statewide problem gambling services program. Legislation creating the North Carolina State Lottery in August 2005 requires a transfer of \$1 million annually to DHHS for the support of problem gambling prevention and education, outreach and treatment programs. DHHS has delegated the administration of the Problem Gambling Program to the Division of MH/DD/SAS.

The North Carolina Problem Gambling Helpline (1-877-718-5543) has been in operation by the Division since March 2006 and under contract by Bensinger, Dupont and Associates since October 2006. The Helpline provides a toll-free statewide problem gambling helpline available 24/7 with options for Spanish as well as English. The helpline will link people wanting and needing services to available resources.

The Division will be developing a registry made up of licensed professionals. Toward this end, the Division is eager

to provide broad-based training for licensed professionals with an interest in problem gambling treatment. This training is being offered as a foundation for the development of a North Carolina Problem Gambling Program (NCPGP) Registry made up of licensed professionals who will be authorized under the program to provide treatment services. Regional training will be offered through participating AHECs beginning in March 2007. Registration will be \$25.00 for the two-day training and participants will receive 15 hours credit for attending both days. Participation in this training does not assure that a provider will be selected for the NCPGP Registry. This training will be accepted by the NCSAPPB toward initial credentialing as a CSAC, CCJP, LCAS or CSAPC and for renewal of those credentials as well.

Please direct inquiries to: North Carolina Problem Gambling Program, Attn.: Smith Worth, Program Administrator, 3004 Mail Service Center, Raleigh, NC 27699-3004 or *smith.worth@ncmail.net* or 919-733-0696.

Calendar For Board Scholarship Requests Submission—2008

Conference	Application Period Begins	Application Period Ends	Notification to Recipient
Addiction: Focus on Women Conference (Dianne Morton Memorial Scholarship)	February 18, 2008	February 29, 2008	After March 17, 2008
NC Summer School (Julian F. Keith, Jr. Memorial Scholarship)	February 18, 2008	February 29, 2008	After March 17, 2008
APNC Fall Conference	May 19, 2008	May 30, 2008	After June 16, 2008
NC Winter School (2007)	August 18, 2008	August 29, 2008	After September 15, 2008
McLeod Institute Scholarship (Carolyn D. Marlowe Memorial Scholarship)	November 17, 2008	November 28, 2008	After December 15, 2008
Prevention Conference (Arthur Jones Memorial Scholarship)	November 17, 2008	November 28, 2008	After December 15, 2008

Note: All letters of request must include:

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 Certification Number and Expiration Date / Statement of Financial Need

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