



NDATA would like to recognize its members for their time and excellent care of they have provided over the years.

30 years & up:

Dennis Isrow
Jim Rudd
Tom Peterson
Myron Cullen

25-29 years:

Mark Romanick
Makoto Tsuchiya
Don Bruenjes
Robin Tracy
Donna Duley

20-24 years

Ron Kaiser
Cathy Ziegler
Jeff Barta
Scott Woken
Kathy Woken
Larry Zahradka
Stacy Stoner-Dockter
Brenda Potter
Pam Hansen
Rhonda Olson
Mitchell Lang
Jon Darling
Gene Crabtree
Tin O'Brien

15-19 years

Mark Poolman
Blaine Steiner
Teresa Seefeld
Audrey Rambough
Pat Callahan
Rachel Johnson Krug
Benni Privratsky
Kevin Melby
Sean Owens
Steve Westereng
Robyn Gust
Kara Gange
Jon Sandy
Sara Bjerke
Ray Hall
Cassie Wulfekuhle
Tim Kreidt
Nikki German

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NDATA Board of Directors:

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Concussion Management Law

This past spring the North Dakota Legislature passed the Concussion Management Law. The law went into effect at the beginning of the school year.

Each school district and nonpublic school that sponsors or sanctions any athletic activity and requires a participating student to regularly practice or train, and compete, is subject to the terms of a concussion management program.

It states that any athletes showing signs or symptoms must be removed from play and may not return to play that day.

The concussion management program must require that any student who is removed from play must be examined as soon as practicable by a licensed, registered, or certified health care provider whose scope of practice includes the diagnosis and treatment of concussion.

A student who is removed may not be allowed to return to practice, training, or competition until the student or the student's parent obtains written authorization from a licensed, registered, or certified health care provider whose scope of practice includes the diagnosis and treatment of concussion and provides that authorization to the student's coach or athletic trainer.

Athletic Trainers need to take note the law does also state that all officials, coaches and athletic trainers receive training in the nature and risks of concussions every two years.

The next legislative session is going to look at concussion management within youth athletics



UPCOMING EVENTS

MAATA
March 15-17 2012
Topeka KS

NATA
June 26-29 2012
St. Louis MO

NDATA
Spring 2012
Bismarck

NDATA Hall of Fame

Denis Isrow
Tom Peterson

Jim Rudd

Leo Dougherty
Joe Kroeber

Message from Executive Director Jon Darling:

I would like to thank every athletic trainer and institution who takes the time to help raise funds for "Sports for Special People. We raised approximately \$1,000.00 in our 2011 efforts. We have donated over \$12,000.00 to the Special Olympics of North Dakota since we started our fund raising efforts in 2000. These contributions reflect the efforts of our members in the NDATA.

I would also like to thank Megan Willard for creating two new awards which will be presented during our state meetings. They will be available on our website hopefully in the next week or two. They are the "Athletic Trainer of the Year" and "Sports Professional" awards. The deadlines for each award are Dec 31st so there won't be a big window to nominate someone this year but please take the time to recognize someone in your profession and someone who contributes to our profession.



New NDATA Awards

All applications should be mailed to
Megan Willard,
Scholarship/Awards Committee

For more information and applications
go to NDATA web site

North Dakota Athletic Trainer of the Year Award

As the state of North Dakota, we would like to take the time to acknowledge any individual within our profession who achieves and promotes a positive outlook for our profession. We would like you to nominate an athletic trainer who you feel has gone above and beyond the call of duty in the past year. Please nominate an individual based on their work ethic, leadership and professionalism, what they contribute to their place of employment and community.

Qualifications:

- Must be a BOC Certified Athletic Trainer
- Must be a member of the NDATA and NATA
- Must have a current License in the State of North Dakota
- Nomination form must be completed
- Two recommendation letters completed
- Completed and submitted before December 31st

Non Certified Sports Professional Award

This award is to be given to the person who is not a certified athletic trainer but contributes to sports medicine in other aspects. These could be but are not limited to: orthopedic doctor or team doctor, athletic director, coaches, and parents, etc.

Qualifications:

- Non-athletic trainer
- Two letters of recommendation
- Complete Information form
- Nominations will be accepted until December 31st of each year

Board of Certification update

BOC is eliminating
current CE reporting and
moving to one common
expiration date for AT
recertification. Please note that
starting with a 2011 expiration date
you will be required to complete and
submit required CE by the end of
the year. ATs with an expiration
date of 2012, 2013 or 2014 will
have a new expiration date
of 1/2013.

Current CE categories A, B, C and D
recalculation of CEUs will not be
done. However, ATs will see a new
method of simplifying CE reporting.

In preparation for 2014
recertification requirements, the
BOC is announcing plans to
move from a 3-year reporting
period to a 2-year reporting
period. Currently, ATs are
required to report 75 continuing
education units (CEUs) every 3
years. Beginning 1/1/2014, ATs
will be required to report 50
CEUs every 2 years

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UPCOMING ELECTION:

After many years of
service, Nikki German
is stepping down as
Secretary /Treasurer
of the NDATA. If you
are looking for a way
to get involved, this is
a great way to give
back to the profession!

Please contact
Scott Witte
before November 30
if interested
wittes@fargo.k12.nd.us

Election will be held in
December

The fall
MAATA
newsletter is
online.
Go to maata.net
to see the latest
happenings in
District 5

There is
still time to
apply
for the
John Quick
Scholarship
For more
information
go to
NDATA
web site
under
scholarship
opportunity