

Association for the Treatment of Sexual Abusers

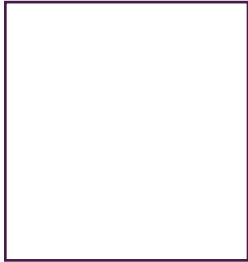
ATSA

2016

Annual Report

Sound Research | Effective Practice | Informed Policy | Comprehensive Prevention

A word from ATSA's leadership



Maia Christopher
Executive Director

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Dr. Michael Miner
President

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The mission of the Association for the Treatment of Sexual Abusers is to prevent sexual abuse. We do this by advocating for and supporting sound research, effective practice, informed policy, and comprehensive prevention. We are pleased at the continued progress ATSA made during 2016 in each of these four areas.

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Sincerely,

Maia Christopher
Executive Director

Michael Miner, Ph.D., LP
President (2016-2017)

Highlights from 2016

ATSA enjoyed a productive 2016, with several key accomplishments in each of our four goal areas.

Sound Research

ATSA produced eight issues of our peer-reviewed journal, *Sexual Abuse: A Journal of Research and Treatment*, which received an impact factor of 2.926.

ATSA presented Pre-Doctoral Research Grants and Graduate Research Awards to four students, and Poster Awards to two students.

Other?

Effective Practice

The first-ever ATSA Master Classes curriculum was brought online, offering professionals everywhere the opportunity to receive continuing education credits as they learn about evidence-based best practices from leading experts throughout the world.

ATSA produced a position paper regarding effective treatment for adult males who have sexually offended.

ATSA facilitated #,### treatment referrals.

Informed Policy

ATSA issued a declaration opposing an international Megan's Law.

ATSA issued a formal response to the Supplemental Guidelines for Juvenile Registration Under the Sex Offender Registration and Notification Act (SORNA) regarding issues related to 1) the waiver of children over to the adult criminal justice system, and 2) the consistency of jurisdiction-based registry systems.

ATSA responded to more than ## media requests for comments on issues or general information.



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ATSA's 35th Annual Conference

1,280
people attended
the 2016 conference
in Orlando, Florida

Participants at the 2016 conference represented Australia, Canada, Finland, Germany, Italy, Latvia, Netherlands, New Zealand, Puerto Rico, Sweden, Switzerland, the United Kingdom, and the United States.



ATSA's 35th Annual Research and Treatment Conference in Orlando, Florida, drew 1,280 attendees from 13 countries and territories. The theme for the conference – “Different Roles, Same Goals: Preventing Sexual Abuse” – encouraged participants to recognize that preventing sexual abuse is an effort that requires the collaboration of individuals from many fields and areas of expertise.

Conference participants were able to receive continuing education credits in several professional areas as they learned about the latest research and best practices in prevention, treatment, and management related to sexual abuse. In total, 703 individuals signed up for credits.

The ATSA Movie Screening Room offered attendees the opportunity to view three documentaries. *Pervert Park* and *Untouchable* provided moving and balanced presentations about the impact of residency restrictions, while *The Porn Factor* looked at the impact of pornography on young adults.

Twenty-six pre-conference seminars were offered, with 51 concurrent sessions available during the main conference. Plenary sessions provided information about campus sexual violence; developments in the assessment, treatment, and prevention of sexual abuse; multicultural issues in sex offender treatment; and the making of the film *Untouchable*.

Of the 1,280 conference participants, 678 were ATSA members, 59 were ATSA student members, 470 were non-members, and 73 were student non-members. There were 468 first-time attendees. Thirty-seven individuals joined ATSA during the conference.

The ATSA Journal

ATSA's peer-reviewed journal, *Sexual Abuse: A Journal of Research and Treatment (SAJRT)*, received an impact factor in 2016 of 2.926, up from 2.42 three years earlier. Among Criminology and Penology journals, SAJRT was rated 5 out of 58 journals, and among Clinical Psychology journals, it received a rating of 26 out of 121.

The journal received 129 original manuscript submissions, with an acceptance rate of approximately 50 percent. Submissions were received from 30 countries: Australia, Belgium, Canada, Denmark, Egypt, Finland, Germany, Greece, Hong Kong, India, Iran, Ireland, Israel, Italy, Macao, Nepal, Netherlands, New Zealand, Nigeria, Pakistan, Poland, Portugal, Saudi Arabia, South Africa, Spain, Sweden, Switzerland, Turkey, the United Kingdom, and the United States.

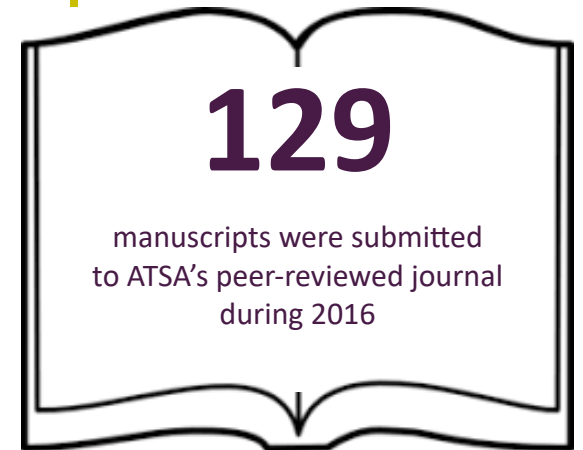
Our thanks to Editor-in-Chief Dr. Michael Seto, Managing Editor Maia Christopher, and the many associate editors and editorial board members who contributed to the journal's success.

The ATSA Newsletter

During 2016, ATSA's quarterly newsletter *The Forum* was revamped in response to a 2015 member survey that asked members what they wanted to see in the quarterly newsletter.

As a result, the newsletter focused on organizational issues including Executive Board and Standing Committee updates, clinical innovations, research findings, and international perspectives on policy and practice. Each issue also addressed a different set of frequently asked questions, provided book reviews, and offered students a platform. Contents included curated and member-driven pieces as well as unsolicited submissions.

Our thanks to Dr. Heather Moulden for her capable service throughout the year as editor of *The Forum*.



Standing Committee Reports



ATSA's standing committees led a range of initiatives during 2016. Highlights include the following activities.

Adolescent Clinical: Drafted and finalized the *ATSA Practice Guidelines for Assessment, Treatment, and Intervention with Adolescents Who Have Engaged in Sexually Abusive Behavior*. Received Executive Board approval in December 2016. Publication is scheduled for mid-2017.

Adult Clinical: Drafted and finalized a position paper regarding effective treatment for adult males who have sexually offended. Received Executive Board approval in August 2016. The paper was posted and is available on the ATSA website.

Awards:

Education and Training:

Ethics:

Finance:

International:

Membership:

Organization and Development:

Membership Update

ATSA reached 2,881 members at the end of 2016, up from 2,819 the previous year, moving ATSA closer to achieving our goal of reaching 3,000 members worldwide.

The majority of members – 1,984 – were Clinical Members. Clinical Associate Members accounted for 340 memberships, followed by 173 Professional Members, 166 Research and Clinical Members, and 130 Student Members. The remaining memberships were comprised of Affiliates, Research Members, Research Associates, and Retired Members.

Approximately 1,300 members participated in the listserv during 2016, providing informal consults, holding discussions, and sharing information.

Forty-five members were designated as ATSA fellows, reflecting their professionalism, expertise, and commitment to helping ATSA make society safer by ending sexual abuse. Fellowships were awarded to:

Jeffrey Abracen, Ph.D.

Donya L. Adkerson, M.A.

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Jill Stinson, PhD

J.W. van den Berg, MSc.

Kirsten Vinicor Lawhon, L.C.S.W.

Pamela M. Yates, Ph.D.

Carmen Zabarauckas, Ph.D.

2,881

individuals were
active ATSA members
as of December 2016

ATSA Professional Awards

Each year, ATSA recognizes members who have made significant contributions to ATSA's mission and vision of preventing sexual abuse and creating a safer society through research, treatment, and management. Three individuals were honored in 2016.

The Lifetime Achievement Award honors individuals who, over the course of their careers, have contributed to the state of knowledge about sexual abuse, the reduction or prevention of sexual abuse, or the development of initiatives or programs to assist those who have abused and those offended against.



Lifetime Significant Achievement Award
Keith Kaufman, Ph.D.

Throughout his career, Dr. Kaufman has been dedicated to primary prevention of sexual abuse. His work has identified patterns of perpetration as a foundation for prevention and more effective assessment and treatment of individuals who sexually offend. As an ATSA Executive Board member and as ATSA President, Dr. Kaufman played a major role in fashioning ATSA's three-year plan. He is known for his research contributions, mentorship, leadership, and compassion.

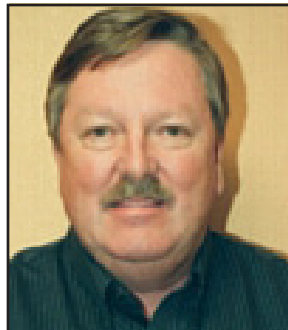
The Gail-Burns Smith Award honors individuals who have made significant contributions to preventing sexual violence by facilitating effective partnerships between victim advocates and those who treat and manage individuals who sexually offend.



Gail-Burns Smith Award
Joan Tabachnick, M.B.A.

For more than 20 years, Ms. Tabachnick has focused on preventing sexual abuse, with a special focus on preventing child sexual abuse. She serves as a Co-Chair of ATSA's Prevention Committee and as a Prevention Fellow with the SMART Office. She works tirelessly to raise awareness about the necessity of preventing sexual violence and to share information about prevention strategies. She believes in helping every person engage in prevention at every level.

The Distinguished Contribution Award honors individuals who have advanced public understanding of relevant issues regarding sexual abuse and offending, as well as the role of effective treatment in risk management and community safety.



Distinguished Contribution Award
Leo Cotter, Ph.D.

For more than 30 years in private practice, Dr. Cotter pioneered treatment for individuals who sexually offend. He was instrumental in designing the Qualified Practitioner requirements in Florida and in helping pass legislation to create best-practice guidelines and greater uniformity for community supervision practices throughout the state. He has mentored many students and professionals, helping them become skilled and compassionate treatment providers.

ATSA Student Awards

ATSA is proud to recognize and encourage promising students who represent the next generation of clinicians, researchers, advocates, and policy makers in the field of sexual abuse prevention. During 2016, ATSA presented Pre-Doctoral Research Grants and Graduate Research Awards to four students.



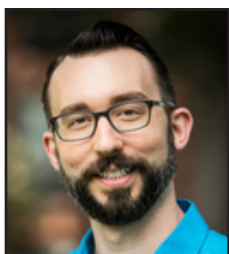
Graduate Research Award
Chantal Hermann, Ph.D.

Title: Implicit and Explicit Evaluations of Sexual Aggression Predict Subsequent Sexually Aggressive Behavior in a Sample of Community Men



Pre-Doctoral Research Grant
John Falligant, M.S.

Title: Assessment of Deviant Preferences Using Novel Behavioral Assessment Procedures



Pre-Doctoral Research Grant
Franklyn Graham, M.S.

Title: Attentional and Reward Deficits as Explanatory Mechanisms for the Covariation Between Psychopathic and Hypersexual Traits



Pre-Doctoral Research Grant
Elizabeth Neilson, M.S.W., M.P.H.

Title: The Role of Acute Intoxication, Emotional Arousal, and Emotional Regulation on Men's Sexual Aggression Intentions

2016 Conference Poster Award Winners

Grant Harris Student
Poster Award
Elena Baur

Title: Do Paraphilic Sexual Interests Increase the Risk for Sexually Coercive Behavior? A Population-Based Twin Study.

Marnie Rice Student
Poster Award
Carrie C. LeMay, M.S.

Title: Use of Functional Behavior Assessment to Examine Motivators for Problematic Sexual Behavior in a Forensic Inpatient Sample.

Highlights from 2016, *cont.*

Comprehensive Prevention

Text.

Standing Committee Reports, *cont.*

Prevention: Developed the narrative and infographic, *5 Things ATSA Members Offer the Prevention Conversation*. Conducted a student survey about prevention. Incorporated information about prevention into the annual conference workshops, handouts, and discussions.

Public Policy: Finalized systems for evaluating and prioritizing policy issues to ensure consistency with ATSA's strategic goals; establishing and strengthening strategic partnerships to support policy advocacy efforts; and developing and enhancing methods of communication and engagement with both external constituencies (e.g., policymakers, the media, and the general public) and ATSA's members and chapters.

Research:

Student: Hosted the 3rd Annual ATSA Student Clinical Case and Data Blitz at the 2016 conference, featuring 15 student presentations. Hosted a Student Session at the conference on *Students Under Pressure: Improving Mental Health and Self-Care*.

Collaboration and Partnerships

ATSA continued to reach out to and work with a range of important partners and stakeholders to foster collaborative and comprehensive prevention strategies.

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Budget and Finance Review

ATSA continued to maintain a balanced budget during 2016. Primary sources of revenues continued to be annual conference registration fees and membership dues. A new revenue stream was created in 2016 with the development and implementation of ATSA's online educational program, the ATSA Master Classes.



Strategic Plan

This year marked the kick-off of the ATSA 2016-2021 Strategic Plan. The plan was crafted after interviewing leading ATSA members including chapter presidents and standing committee members, as well as outside stakeholders and experts, and surveying all ATSA members. The result is a plan that lays out the values, priorities, and strategies that will guide the work of ATSA's Executive Board, standing committees, and ATSA Office staff. Overall, the focus is on maintaining the services and programs for which ATSA is known, while developing organizational capacity, broadening our financial base, and extending our reach.

ATSA Strategic Plan Priorities

Membership: Strategically diversify and grow ATSA's membership in a manner that sustains ATSA's welcoming sense of community.

Evidence-Based Practices: Become the organization of choice to advance and provide evidence-based education, training, implementation strategies, and resources to prevent sexual abuse.

Policy: Effectively and proactively engage policy makers to advance ATSA's mission.

Public Education: Develop ATSA's public education presence and impact.

Prevention: Enhance ATSA's role in the comprehensive prevention of sexual abuse.

Fund Development: Diversify ATSA's sources of income.

Board Development: Advance the ATSA Executive Board's overall effectiveness and efficiency.



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ATSA Executive Director
Beaverton, Oregon, USA

ATSA Office Staff

The ATSA Office team worked at a reduced staffing level for most of 2016. With the departure of Katherine Gotch as Coordinator of Public Affairs in early January, the team dropped to three until early September, when Jacqueline Nguyen joined the ATSA Office as a part-

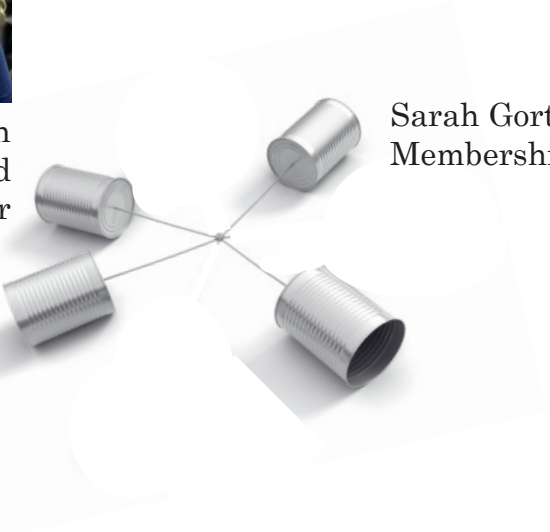
time office assistant and receptionist. Despite their lean size, the group kept association business running smoothly and organized the annual conference. We extend our appreciation to the ATSA Office staff for their many contribution's to ATSA's success throughout the year.



Kelly McGrath
Associate Director and
Conference Administrator



Jacqueline Nguyen
Office Assistant



Sarah Gorter
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Aniss Benelmouffok
Executive Assistant



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