



Member Services Frequently Asked Questions (FAQ):

Q: Who are NASTAD members?

A: NASTAD members are individuals with administrative responsibility for HIV/AIDS prevention and care/treatment, including Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) prevention cooperative agreements and Part B of the Ryan White Program, including ADAP. Many also have responsibility for adult viral hepatitis.

Q: How do I become a member?

A: Each state or territorial health department is responsible for designating their NASTAD representative. One or two states separate care and prevention representatives, and in these cases, both individuals are invited to participate as full members. (The only limitation is in voting - NASTAD institutes a one state-one vote policy.) If you are a new AIDS director, you should contact NASTAD's Member Services department to let us know about the change.

Q: What services does NASTAD provide to members?

A: Members receive regular communications about policy issues, funding alerts and federal regulations related to HIV/AIDS and viral hepatitis. NASTAD convenes members for an Annual Meeting each spring in Washington, D.C. Members can access peer-based TA and leadership development opportunities and can participate in work groups and committees to shape NASTAD policy recommendations. Members are often tapped to represent NASTAD at national consultations and meetings.

Q: How do I, as well as my program, benefit from NASTAD membership?

A: NASTAD advocates on behalf of state health departments for adequate resources and appropriate policy for state AIDS and viral hepatitis programs. NASTAD regularly communicates with federal agencies responsible for HIV/AIDS and viral hepatitis (the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention and the Health Resources and Services Administration) and provides opportunities for states to participate in these conversations through work groups, committees, consultations, and formal recommendations.

NASTAD supports peer-based TA that is available for AIDS directors and their staff - AIDS directors and staff may participate as NASTAD peers on TA in the U.S. and through NASTAD's Global Program. Members and their staff benefit from greatly from this bi-directional form of TA.

Q: How do I connect with fellow AIDS directors?

A: Visit NASTAD's directory for contact information on other AIDS directors and participate in NASTAD's Annual Meeting.

Q: Where can I direct my questions?

A: NASTAD staff is available by email or by calling (202) 434-8090. Ask to speak with someone in Member Services.