

## Join a Chapter Committee or Workgroup!

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**Accomplish *real* change for Minnesota social workers!**

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<b>Committee</b>	<b>Description</b>	<b>Meeting</b>	<b>What makes you a great fit</b>
<b>Racial Justice Committee</b>	Listen deeply to, and leverage voices of communities and members of color; engage in long-term hard work and take action from our learning to break down oppressive systems.	1 <sup>st</sup> Friday of month, 9-10 a.m. Sept-May	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Ready to move beyond conversation and take action against systemic racism</li> <li>- Committed to listening deeply to social workers of color and people of color - even if what they are saying makes you uncomfortable or does not align with your worldview</li> <li>- Willing to identify and manage your own biases</li> </ul>
<b>2022 Annual Fall Conference Committee</b>	Plan, organize and implement the 2022 in-person multi-day conference, focused on quality training, resource-sharing, and networking for social workers from all practice areas.	2 <sup>nd</sup> Monday of month, 4:30-6 p.m. Oct-Sept	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Creative and detail oriented</li> <li>- Knowledge of most pressing social work topics</li> <li>- Ability to generate and implement ideas</li> <li>- Passionate about continuing education, networking, event planning</li> </ul>
<b>Licensure Workgroup</b>	Review Minnesota and national social work licensing statutes and make recommendations to bring to the MN Board of Social Work's Legislation & Rules Committee.	2 <sup>nd</sup> Friday of month, 12:30-2 p.m. every other month, Sept-May	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Knowledge of social work licensure statutes and standards of practice (or willingness to learn)</li> <li>- Desire to make licensure clearer and more accessible</li> </ul>
<b>Ethics Committee</b>	Develop and plan ethics trainings, provide ethics consultation to members, review ethical violations following MN Board of Social Work action, and work alongside NASW's national office to enforce the NASW Code of Ethics.	11/2, 2/1 and 5/3 from 8-9:30 a.m.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Deep understanding of ethical principles, values and standards</li> <li>- Experience with curriculum and training development</li> <li>- Excited to find innovative ways to teach ethics content to social workers</li> </ul>

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<b>Social Policy Action Network (SPAN)</b>	Develop chapter's legislative agenda; draft position statements on significant policy issues; follow bills and develop action alerts; work with coalition partners on lobbying strategies; and plan and execute policy events, including Social Work Day at the Capitol.	3 <sup>rd</sup> Wednesday of month 8-9:30 a.m. Sept-June	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Knowledge of, and experience ideal with at least drafting legislation, lobbying for legislative action(s), and/or establishing grassroots networks</li> <li>- Passion for public policy and systems change</li> <li>- Familiarity with legislative process and players (or willingness to learn)</li> </ul>
<b>Political Action for Candidate Election (PACE)</b>	Interview candidates for state and local elected office throughout Minnesota, and endorse those who best represent social work values in the public policy arena.	2 <sup>nd</sup> Wednesday of month, 4:30-5:30 p.m. Sept-May	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Understanding of political process (or willingness to learn)</li> <li>- Detail oriented</li> <li>- Passionate about politics and macro social work</li> </ul>

*All committees and workgroups are currently meeting virtually. You must be a NASW member to join a committee or workgroup.*

Whether a new or long-time member, student or retiree, no matter your practice or experience – there's a committee for you!

## **Make the most of your NASW membership!**

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