

**MAADAC**  
**Massachusetts Association of Alcoholism and Drug Abuse Counselors**  
**P0 Box 61071** **Longmeadow, MA 01116**

Dear Certified and/or Licensed Alcohol & Drug **Counselor**,

As MAADAC President, I am very pleased to invite you to **join MAADAC**, which automatically gives you national membership in NAADAC. Just fill out the application found on the NAADAC website at [www.naadac.org](http://www.naadac.org). MAADAC congratulates you for exemplifying addiction counseling competencies through your certification and/or license. Now MAADAC would like to help you enhance your competencies, with your own voice of empowerment towards influencing the addiction counseling profession. We need and want your energy-to build a united addictions field. Many voices working together can give power towards enhancing the profession, and the public policies which affect addiction recovery.

You know that MAADAC worked diligently to make Licensure for Alcohol and Drug Counselors --- Law! We persevered with support through four vetoes, and finally, influenced a veto override. We invite you to continue further the *implementation* of the alcohol and drug counselor's voice, with perseverance.

The MAADAC Board has moved to go forward to do legislation mandating insurance reimbursement for certain LADC's. Mary Ann Hart, Regina Villa Associates will again be our legislative guide. Legislative advocacy again will be a very important role. You will be hearing of our efforts to make this law. If you are interested in supporting this effort, please contact me through this website.

MAADAC membership entitles you to reduced registration fees towards NAADAC Conferences. Regional meetings are scheduled through out the state. If the meeting provides a one hour educational workshop, you receive an educational credit. No fees are charged for these workshops. On a professional and a personal level, I find the connection with members of the field very gratifying— and I want you to have that experience!

NAADAC 's Counselor Magazine, Newsletters, Legislative Alerts keep you abreast of the most current addiction news, research, career, and educational opportunities. MAADAC offers a newsletter to provide the latest happenings in the state.

What's missing! You! Don't miss out! Please join!

Peter Crumb, MAADAC President