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Mission

"SERVING THE COUNSELING,
GUIDANCE, AND HUMAN
DEVELOPMENT PROFESSIONS"

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President's Letter

Dear MCA Members:

I am excited to begin my year as the 2018-2019 President of the Maryland Counseling Association! It is such an honor and privilege to be able to serve our growing organization. I look forward to continuing the momentum of our past-presidents Karol Taylor and Dr. Christian Chan in creating a welcoming and professional organization for not only students and counselor educators, but for private practitioners as well.

I want to introduce our newest executive board members and offer congratulations. First of all, our new President-Elect, Dr. Ajita Robinson, who was previously President of our MACES division; our new Treasurer, Dr. Shannon Kakkar, former President of our MAMCFC division and our Secretary-Elect, Dr. Missy Wheeler, formerly our Bylaws Chair. For our Committee leaders we have: Dr. Eunice Humphrey as our Conference Chair, Marilyn Raedeke as Co-Conference chair and our Registrar Chair; Dr. Lynn Duffy is our Bylaws Chair, Ms. Janice Toothman is our Advocacy Chair, Perri Hooper is our Credentialing Chair, Dr. Don Trahan is our Emerging Leaders Chair, and Dr. Carol McGinnis is our Awards Chair. Our division leaders are Dr. Sara Pula for MACES, Dr. Carol

McGinnis for MASERVIC, Michelle Chaney for MAMCD, Ebony Tara for MCDA, Vanessa Patton-Scott for MAMCFC, MALGBTIC TBD and our newest division, MCSJ with Dr. Chioma Anah. Finally, welcome to our Emerging Leaders: Kenya Kirkland, Annyck Hamez, Rachel Stivers and Keith Gethers.

We will miss Dr. Marsha Riggio, our past Executive Director and a former President of MCA; Sarah Gilden, our past Member-at-Large and Treasurer; Dr. LaNail Plummer, our past Treasurer; Dr. Michelle Wade, our past Credentialing Chair; Marybeth Heather and Emily Lameareau, our past PR Co-Chairs as they pursue other professional opportunities. MCA continues to be grateful for their contributions and dedication to the organization. We wish them all the best in their future endeavors.

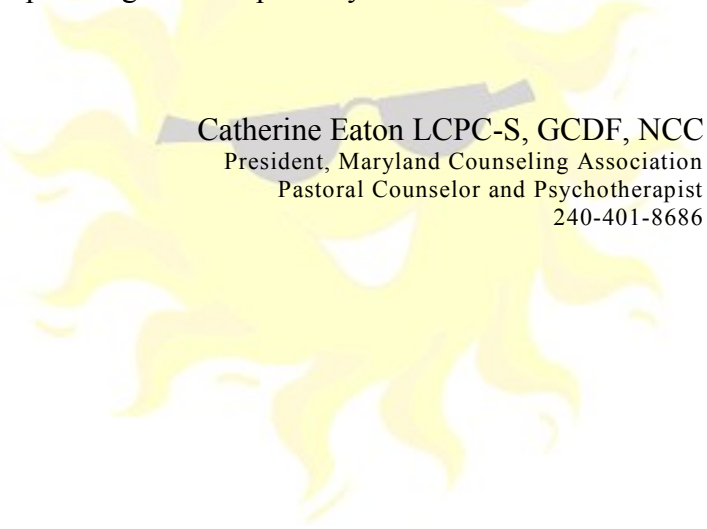
I am proud that MCA has added a new division, MCSJ (Maryland Counselors for Social Justice) and look forward to great things from Dr. Chioma Anah as President. Watch for NBCC contact hour workshops beginning in August!

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Your MCA membership entitles you to discounted fees when attending MCA or Division workshops. I encourage you to expand your professional development to join a division or two as well as attend future workshops to learn latest research and topics in counseling.

MCA is one of the best organizations I have had the privilege in which to be involved. However, we can only be as strong as our members. I invite you to consider your interests and gifts and how joining MCA could be rewarding for you to serve and to increase your professional development. We are always looking for new ideas and we will help you connect to the right people.

Finally, I am thrilled that we will have our annual conference at the BWI Embassy Suites in Baltimore, MD, November 2-4, 2018. Our theme is **Advocacy and Social Justice: How Counselors Help our Clients, our Profession and Ourselves**. We will have a full day of pre-conference offerings on Friday November 2, 2018 that include lunch with a choice of ACA Deep Dive Ethics with Dr. Lynn Linde, Sacred Counseling with Dr. Lee Richmond, Substance Abuse Counseling by Chandell Miller, Clinical Supervision by Dr. LaNail Plummer, Mindfulness and Wellness in Counseling and Yoga with Dr. Felicia Presley, or Counselors and Mediators by President-Elect Dr. Ajita Robinson. Saturday and Sunday will offer two full days of professional content with 75 minute education sessions, poster sessions and roundtables, featuring our very special keynote speaker, Dr. S. Kent Butler on Saturday morning. I look forward to seeing each of you at our annual conference and upcoming workshops this year.



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Division News & Events

Maryland Counselors for Social Justice (MCSJ) Workshop Series

Examining Intersectionality, Privilege, & Oppression: Strategies for Counselors to Enhance Multicultural & Social Justice Advocacy

Date: Saturday, August 18, 2018, Time: 10:00am-1:00pm

See [flyer](#) for more details

Law Enforcement and Counseling: How Counselors Can Work With Law Enforcement to Better Serve the Needs of the Community

Date: Saturday, September 22, 2018, Time: 10:00am-1:00pm

Location: JHU Baltimore

3 CE's provided

Presenters: Perri Hooper, other presenters TBA

Registration details TBA

SAVE THE DATE: MCSJ CONFERENCE - April 29, 2019



Examining Intersectionality, Privilege, & Oppression: Strategies for Counselors to Enhance Multicultural & Social Justice Advocacy

**Maryland Counselors for Social Justice (MCSJ)
(2018-2019) MCSJ Workshop Series**

Presenters:

Kshipra Jain, MA, LPC, NCC

Dr. Chioma Anah, ATR, NCC, LCPC-S, ACS

Date: Saturday, August 18, 2018

Time: 10:00am-1:00pm

Location: Johns Hopkins University, Baltimore
(School of Education Building, 2800 N Charles
Street, Baltimore, MD 21218)

3 CE's

Registration Fee:

MCSJ Members: \$30

Non-MCSJ Members: \$40

Web Address to Register Online:

<http://mdcounseling.org/event-3004761>

Continental Breakfast Included

Registration Deadline: August 14, 2018

To Cite This Workshop:

Jain, K., & Anah, C. (August, 2018). *Examining intersectionality, privilege, and oppression: Strategies for counselors to enhance multicultural and social justice advocacy*. JHU Baltimore, MD: Maryland Counselors for Social Justice (2018-2019) MCSJ Workshop Series.

**To Register by Mail Send Check Payable
to: MCA- (MCSJ) with your name,
degree, address, phone and email
address to:**

**Maryland Counselors for Social Justice
MCSJ**

**P. O. Box 5631
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**Please Indicate Check is for:
MCSJ Workshop**

**E-mail:
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Why Should You Join MCA?

Membership is important to your professional growth and career development. It provides:

- Continuing education units at discount prices
- Early notification of MCA and all division events
- Current public policy issues and new laws of interest to professional counselors
- Grant opportunities
- Four newsletters with opportunities to publish and advertise
- Leadership training and greatly reduced registration costs to annual, regional or national conferences for board members
- Support and advocacy for professional counseling in the state of Maryland
- Electronic reminders to renew your membership
- A list of events that you have participated in



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