

NJ AST NEWS

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Certification Renewal

Make sure you have enough continuing education credits (CEs) for your certification renewal. Most are on a two-year cycle and must have a total of 30 CEs. If you are still in the four-year cycle, 60 credits are required. Once the four-year cycle is complete, you will then be transferred to the two-year cycle of renewing. You can go to www.ast.org to learn the many ways you can earn your CEs.

Website

If you are not aware, our website has changed. The new address is nj.ast.org. You can see upcoming events, pictures from past workshops, and a list of our current Board. Feel free to contact us as njast3@icloud.com with any questions you may have.

Upcoming Events

- NJAST Fall Conference – October 8, 2022- AIMS College in Piscataway, NJ
- The Secretary and three (3) Board of Director positions are available. Contact us for more information on how to get your name on the ballot.



2022 AST Conference Highlights

- Students of Director Karen Chambers and Eastwick College recognized:
 - Shantee Ritchwood and Linda D'Amico- elected student representatives for the 2022-2023 year in AST
 - Sarah Williams- recipient of the AST Foundation and the ARC/STSA scholarships
 - Dorice Alexis- recipient of the AST Foundation scholarship
- Vice- President April Anderson received AST's highest honor of Fellow of the Association of Surgical Technologists (FAST) for her work to promote the field and participation in numerous events and activities
- SALC Leadership Forum always gives our Board the insight and training to continue improving participation with our respective State Assemblies
- The 2023 AST Conference will be held in Chicago, Illinois. Please make plans to attend. Put your vacation time in early!

Fellow of the Association of Surgical Technologists (FAST)

(past & present recipients)

- Darrell Sadler
- April Anderson
- Carlos Sanchez
- Joseph Charleman
- Shondra McGill
- Karen Chambers

NJAST honors and recognizes those who have obtained the highest recognition for their service and leadership in the Surgical Technology profession. We want to have more NJAST members achieve this award. Go on www.ast.org to read the criteria and apply. The deadline for submission is April 15, 2023. Awards are announced at the opening session of the AST Conference.



Certification Exam Review

Are you a Surgical Technologist who never obtained certification but desires to do so? Do you know Surgical Technologists who need to be certified as well? Vice-President Anderson is conducting a virtual exam review to help prepare you. This will include weekly sessions with test taking tips and strategies. The content of Surgical Technology will be reviewed with a variety of formats to help those recall the proper techniques and skills necessary in the OR.

If you are interested, email VP Anderson at dgaara2007@hotmail.com to be added to the list and for more information.

Spread the word!!

