

The NASW-NJ Continuing Education Approval Program is now  
**The CE Approval Collaborative**  
(The New Jersey Social Work Continuing Education Approval Collaborative)

## **Frequently Asked Questions:**

### **What is The CE Approval Collaborative?**

The CE Approval Collaborative is recognized by the New Jersey State Board of Social Work Examiners (BSWE) as an approving entity for social work continuing education credits in the state and offers a comprehensive review process for the approval of quality social work continuing education courses.

As of September 1, 2013, organizations or individuals *offering* courses which are not otherwise granted approval by the NJ Social Work Regulations, must apply for approval through The CE Approval Collaborative or to a subsequently recognized approving entity.

### **Who is The CE Approval Collaborative?**

The CE Approval Collaborative includes representatives from NASW-NJ and the New Jersey Schools of Social Work and will be administered by NASW-NJ. Each course submitted to The CE Approval Collaborative will be reviewed by our approval committee, which includes LSWs and LCSWs.

### **I have already received approval from the NASW-NJ CE Approval Program. Is my course still approved for social work CEUs in NJ?**

Yes. Any courses that have already been approved by the NASW-NJ CE Approval Program for the current licensing cycle, which ends on August 31, 2014, are still approved for this licensing cycle.

If you plan to renew your course approval for the next licensing cycle, you must do so through the CE Approval Collaborative or to a subsequently recognized approving entity.

### **I have submitted applications for course approval in the past. How is the CE Approval Collaborative application process different from the NASW-NJ CE Approval Program?**

The application guidelines and application have changed slightly and are actually more user-friendly than previous applications.

The process itself has not changed. You will still submit your completed application, supporting documents, and payment through the NASW-NJ website. However, the fee structure has changed. We encourage you to review all the new information on the NASW-NJ website to familiarize yourself with the changes.

**I am an approved provider or my courses have been approved by other entities (i.e. ASWB, BSWE, etc.). Am I still able to offer social work CEUs for my courses in NJ?**

Yes. Because this change is occurring in the middle of the NJ licensing cycle, all providers and courses already approved for CEUs in NJ will continue to be valid through the end of this licensing cycle (August 31, 2014).

If you would like your course(s) to be approved for the next licensing cycle, you must apply through the CE Approval Collaborative or to a subsequently recognized approving entity.

*\*\*Note: The CE Approval Collaborative does not approve providers, only individual courses. You must apply separately for each course you would like to present.\*\**

**How do I submit a course I am presenting for approval?**

Application and materials are available on the NASW-NJ Website ([www.naswnj.org](http://www.naswnj.org)) through the Continuing Education drop-down menu. The CE Approval Collaborative must receive your application at least **90 days** before your course will occur.