



SENDING NADTA MEMBERSHIP INVITATIONS TO PARTICIPATE IN RESEARCH

Introduction

The NADTA supports ongoing research in the field of drama therapy and encourages a culture of inquiry amongst the membership. The purpose of this policy is to outline clear procedures for NADTA members who wish to invite NADTA membership to participate in a research project or study. Researchers are strongly encouraged to follow this policy prior to submitting a proposal to an institutional review board (IRB) or research ethics board (REB). The NADTA does not have its own IRB or REB.

Objective

To clarify procedures for NADTA members who request permission to contact NADTA membership to invite them to participate in research (e.g. invitation to fill out a survey, request for study participants).

Scope

Applies to NADTA members who wish to contact NADTA membership for the purposes of conducting research.

This policy does not apply to external organizations or individuals who are not presently a member of the NADTA.

Policy

Surveys, questionnaires, and invitations to participate in research sent out to NADTA membership must first be reviewed and approved by the NADTA Research Chair and the NADTA Ethics Chair.

Procedures

- i. Requests to contact membership for research purposes should be sent directly to the NADTA Research Chair: research@nadta.org
- ii. Requests should include (when applicable): description of project and request, call for participants, survey or questionnaire, consent forms, and an introductory message researchers intend to send to membership.
- iii. Researchers will receive an initial response within two weeks of receipt of the request. Please note that prior to a final decision being made, discussion and feedback may be necessary with the Research Chair and the Ethics Chair.
- iv. Requests that are approved will be communicated to membership through the NADTA office at the discretion of the Communications Chair. The NADTA office will send out the researchers' message(s) and survey or questionnaire to membership on the researchers' behalf.
- v. Any other special circumstances or specific research needs in relation to contacting membership are to be negotiated with the Research Chair and Ethics Chair on a case by case basis.