

## LIST OF SELECTED NATIONAL COUNSELING ORGANIZATIONS

(for an expanded list, see, *e.g.*, the list of ACA divisions and affiliates at [www.counseling.org](http://www.counseling.org))

### [American Counseling Association \(ACA\)](#)

**Purpose/Mission:** Dedicated to the growth and development of the counseling profession and those who are served.

### [American School Counselor Association \(ASCA\)](#)

**Purpose/Mission:** promoting school counseling profession, interest in activities that affect the personal, educational, and career development of students, and providing a positive learning environment.

### [American Mental Health Counselors Association \(AMHCA\)](#)

**Purpose/Mission:** to enhance the profession of mental health counseling through licensing, advocacy, education and professional development.

### [American Rehabilitation Counseling Association \(ARCA\)](#)

**Purpose/Mission:** enhancing the development of people with disabilities throughout their life span and in promoting excellence in the rehabilitation counseling profession's practice, research, consultation, and professional development.

### [Association for Adult Development and Aging \(AADA\)](#)

**Purpose/Mission:** serving as a focal point for information sharing, professional development, and advocacy related to adult development and aging issues; addresses counseling concerns across the lifespan.

### [Association for Assessment in Counseling and Education \(AACE\)](#)

**Purpose/Mission:** promoting effective use of assessment in the counseling profession

### [Association for Counselor Education and Supervision \(ACES\)](#)

**Purpose/Mission:** stressing the need for quality education and supervision of counselors for all work settings.

### [Association for Play Therapy \(APT\)](#)

**Purpose/Mission:** promoting the value of play, play therapy, and credentialed play therapists.

### [National Association of Multicultural Rehabilitation Concerns \(NAMRC\)](#)

**Purpose/Mission:** to advocate for the rehabilitation needs of multicultural persons with disabilities; ensure the provision of quality and equitable services; and enhance the development of multicultural rehabilitation professionals.

### [National Rehabilitation Association \(NRA\)](#)

**Purpose/Mission:** to promote ethical and excellent practice in rehabilitation.