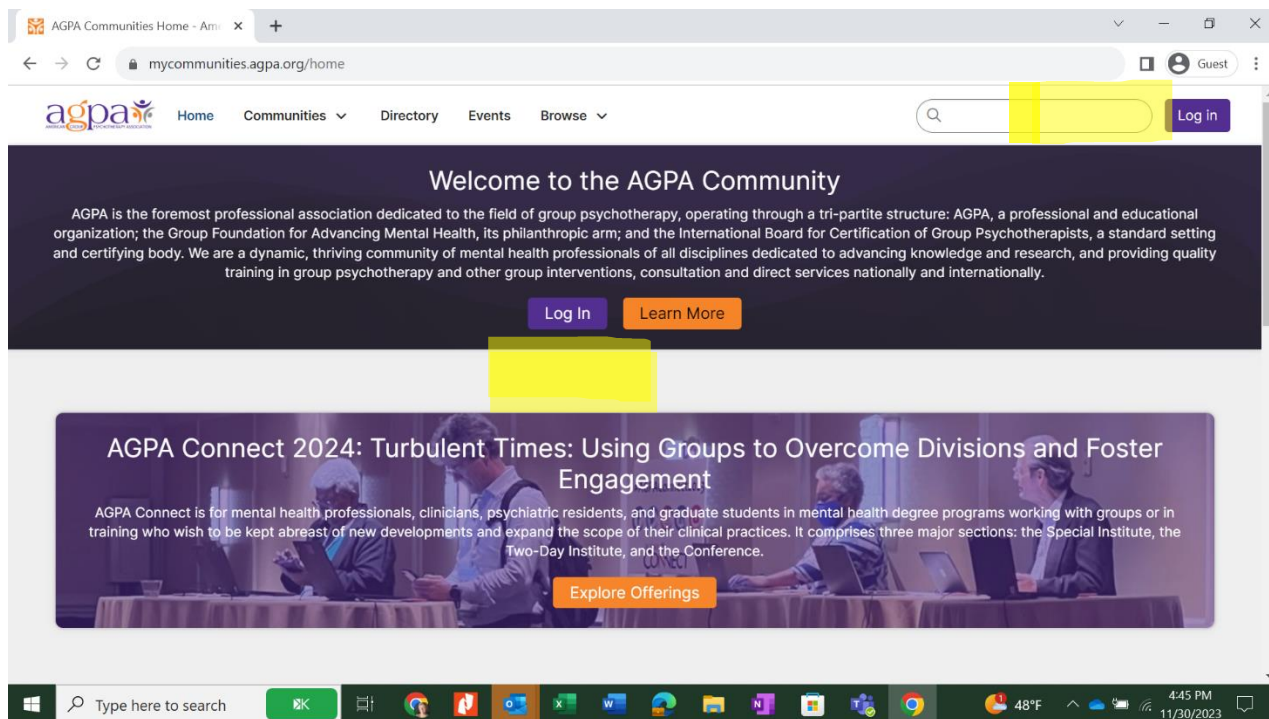


The AGPA Online Communities are a space to connect with colleagues and the group therapy community like never before. Here are some tips to get you started and help you maximize this resource. Look for the yellow in the screenshots to show you where to look for the item being referenced.

### GET STARTED

The AGPA Online Member Community is accessible through <https://mycommunities.agpa.org/>. You can log in using the same username and password you use to access the AGPA member portal (please note if you have not yet created your account in the new portal you will need to do so prior to accessing the communities – instructions can be found here: <https://www.agpa.org/home/membership/portal-account-creation>)

The first time you log in you will be required to accept the terms and conditions of participating in the Communities– please review these prior to accepting (they consist of a description of the communities, the Guidelines to Promote Safe & Inclusive Environments on AGPA Communities and AGPA’s Referral and Discussion Communities Professional Rules & Recommendations).



### PARTICIPATE IN THE COMMUNITIES

AGPA is launching this new platform with two communities (both will be moderated): Referral and Discussion. Please see the welcome email and the community rules and regulations for details on each. All members will be automatically added to the Referral Community. You will need to join the Discussion Community. If you would like to do so, select “View Communities I Can Join on the Left.”

Member Home - American Gro... x

mycommunities.agpa.org/home/memberhome

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### Explore our Communities

We are a dynamic, thriving community of mental health professionals of all disciplines dedicated to advancing knowledge and research, and providing quality training in group psychotherapy and other group interventions, consultation and direct services nationally and internationally. Please explore and get involved in our communities. If you have any questions please contact us at info@agpa.org or (212) 297-2190

[Learn More](#)

**My Communities Quick List**

Join a community and find a list of all your communities here.

[View communities I can join](#)

**Open Peer Support & Consultation Event**

Vasilis Serpanos in AGPA Discussion Community 3 days ago

Event | December 10th, 2023 3:00 AM EST

The AGPA Organizational Consulting SIG is hosting a FREE informal peer support/open consultation event for any AGPA members interested. This will be a chance for us to offer and receive support regarding ...

**NSGP Weekly Experiential Group 2023-2024**

Vasilis Serpanos in AGPA Discussion Community 3 days ago

Event | September 18th, 2023 10:00 AM EDT

Join one of our stellar learning opportunities for building your skills. The Experiential Group is a weekly training group for clinicians interested in developing skills and confidence as group leaders ...

**Directory Search**

[Find Contacts](#) [Clear All](#)

**Quick Links**

- Customize Your Profile
- Update Your Privacy Settings
- Adjust Your Subscription Settings
- Post a Message
- Events Calendar
- Community Libraries

**Test Member**  
Higher Logic

Profile Completeness 25%

In the screen that comes up select “Join” next to Discussion Community and follow the steps to join. You can set your delivery choice for messages here (and don’t worry – they can be changed later). Options are:

- Real Time: receive emails as messages are posted
- Daily Digest: receive one email consolidating all the previous day’s posts
- No-email: receive and reply to posts only through the discussion boards

All Communities - American Gro... x

mycommunities.agpa.org/communities/allcommunities?DisplayBy=1

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## All Communities

[Create a New Community](#)

2 total

All Community Types Communities I can join Alphabetical 20 per page

**AGPA Discussion Community**

last person joined 3 days ago

[Join](#)

Discussions 7 Libraries 1 Members 10

**AGPA Referral Community**

last person joined 9 days ago

[Join](#)

Discussions 3 Libraries 2 Members 8

## ENHANCE YOUR PROFILE

You can update your profile in a couple of ways – via the profile section on the left or using “Customize Your Profile” in the quick links on the right. We’ve prepopulated your contact information, but we encourage you to enhance it with your interests, education and more. We also encourage you to take a moment to upload a photo (once you’ve added a picture it will show up in your profile section on the community home page as well as next to any communications you send).

This screenshot shows the 'Member Home' page of the American Group Psychotherapy Association (AGPA). The page features a navigation bar with links to Home, Communities, Directory, Events, and Browse. A search bar and a 'Create' button are also present. The main content area includes a banner for 'Explore our Communities' with a 'Learn More' button. Below this, there's a 'My Communities Quick List' section with a 'View communities I can join' link. A central event listing shows 'Open Peer Support & Consultation Event' and 'NSGP Weekly Experiential Group 2023-2024'. On the right, a 'Directory Search' section has 'Find Contacts' and 'Clear All' buttons, and a 'Quick Links' sidebar with options like 'Customize Your Profile', 'Update Your Privacy Settings', 'Adjust Your Subscription Settings', 'Post a Message', 'Events Calendar', and 'Community Libraries'. The user's profile is shown as 'Test Member' with a 'Higher Logic' affiliation and a 'Profile Completeness' of 25%.

This screenshot shows the 'Test Member' profile page. The header includes the AGPA logo and navigation links. The profile section displays the name 'Test Member' and affiliation 'Higher Logic'. Below this, there are tabs for 'My Profile', 'My Connections', 'My Contributions', 'My Account', and 'My Inbox'. The 'Bio' section has an 'Add' button. The 'Contact Details' section shows the email 'member@higherlogic.org'. The 'Social Links' section has an 'Add' button. The 'Education' and 'Job History' sections also have 'Add' buttons. The page is viewed in a browser window with multiple tabs open, and the Windows taskbar is visible at the bottom.

## FIND YOUR COLLEAGUES

Click on “Directory” in the top navigation bar to search for colleagues. You can search name, location, email address, community type and more. From the search results page you can view profiles, send an invitation to add someone to your contacts, or send a private message.

The screenshot shows the AGPA Member Home page. The top navigation bar includes links for Home, Communities, Directory (highlighted), Events, and Browse. A search bar is located next to the Directory link. Below the navigation bar, there is a banner for "Explore our Communities" with a "Learn More" button. To the left, there is a "My Communities Quick List" section. In the center, there are two event listings: "Open Peer Support & Consultation Event" and "NSGP Weekly Experiential Group 2023-2024". To the right, there is a "Directory Search" section with a "Find Contacts" button and a "Clear All" button. Below the search bar, there is a "Quick Links" section with links to "Customize Your Profile", "Update Your Privacy Settings", "Adjust Your Subscription Settings", "Post a Message", "Events Calendar", and "Community Libraries". The bottom of the page shows a Windows taskbar with various application icons and a system tray displaying the date and time.

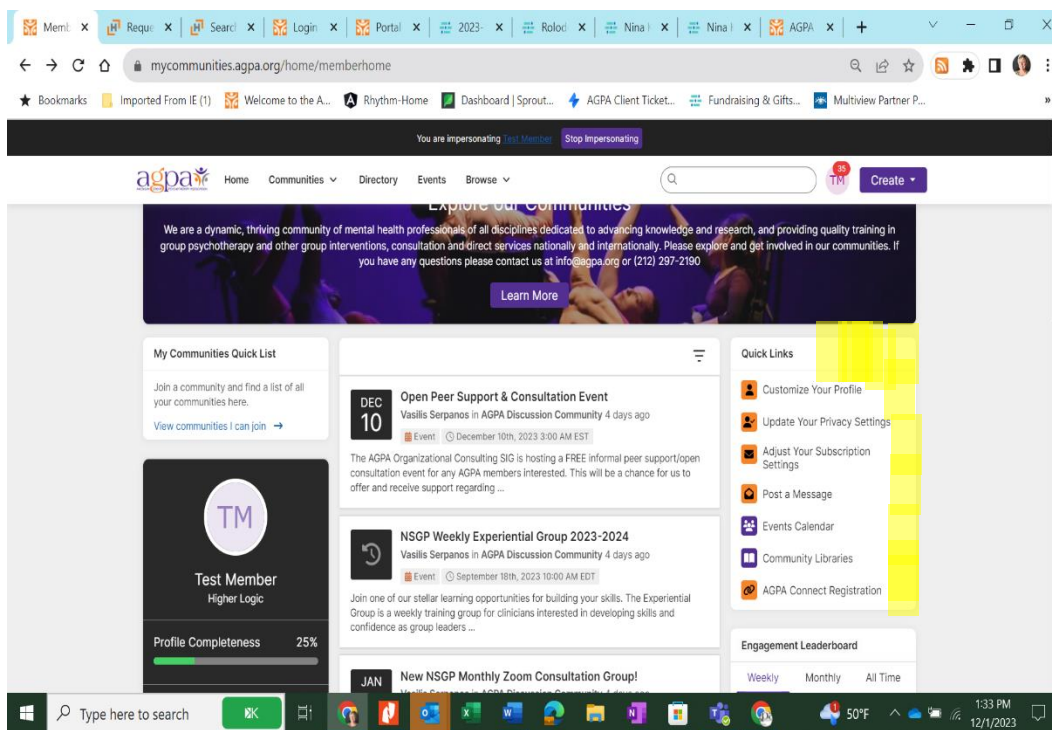
The screenshot shows the AGPA Member Home page with the Directory search form. The form is located on the left side of the page and includes fields for First Name, Last Name, Company Name, Email Address, City, Country, State/Province, Community Type, and Community Name. The "Find Members" button is highlighted in yellow. The "Clear All" button is also visible. The top navigation bar includes links for Home, Communities, Directory (highlighted), Events, and Browse. A search bar is located next to the Directory link. Below the navigation bar, there is a banner for "Explore our Communities" with a "Learn More" button. To the left, there is a "My Communities Quick List" section. In the center, there are two event listings: "Open Peer Support & Consultation Event" and "NSGP Weekly Experiential Group 2023-2024". To the right, there is a "Directory Search" section with a "Find Contacts" button and a "Clear All" button. Below the search bar, there is a "Quick Links" section with links to "Customize Your Profile", "Update Your Privacy Settings", "Adjust Your Subscription Settings", "Post a Message", "Events Calendar", and "Community Libraries". The bottom of the page shows a Windows taskbar with various application icons and a system tray displaying the date and time.



## QUICK LINKS

There are a number of things you can do from the community and the “Quick Links” section on the right side is a good place to get started. Here you can quickly go to the place to:

- Customize Your Profile: add, delete or change your profile information
- Update Your Privacy Settings: Personalize your choices as to what information others can see
- Adjust Your Subscription Settings: Change your email delivery preferences for community communications
- Post a Message: You can Start a discussion here by choosing which community you want to post in and adding content as outlined). Remember posts are moderated so you may not see yours right away. You can also use the “Create” button on the upper right to do this.
- Events Calendar: See upcoming events in the group therapy community, including AGPA and Local Affiliate Society Meetings
- Community Libraries: Resources and documents can be viewed or posted in the libraries.
- AGPA Connect Registration: a quick link to AGPA Connect registration (watch this spot it may change to other important access areas at different times of the year!



## A FEW CLOSING ITEMS...

The center of your screen on the home page will contain an active feed of discussions and events being posted through the communities of which you are a member – you can personalize this by clicking on the three bars on the top right of it. Once you are in a community you can respond to any post by clicking on its title to go to it – use the reply button on the upper right to choose how to respond (whole community, just the individual who posted it). Remember posts are moderated so you might not see yours right away.

*These are intended to be a quick list of how to get started using the communities. We will send tips on things you can do in the communities through the specific forums, but please also reach out to us at [info@agpa.org](mailto:info@agpa.org) if we can help you with anything!*