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I believe that the most important thing that NASW does is set the ethics for social workers. To me ethics are like a set of rules that everyone must follow. For example, if a social worker does something unethical, they have a potential of getting fired just like if they did something against the rules. I think that setting ethics for all social workers in NASW is important because it is easy for anyone to look at whenever they need to, and it is important to have basic guidelines like that for everyone to go by.

Since I have my senior year internship in the spring semester, I will be using the NASW site a lot. This is because if anything happens during my internship that I am concerned about is against the NASW I can go to the website and read into. This can help me determine if what someone else is doing is unethical or even what I am doing is unethical. I actually had to do this at my junior internship because I knew someone that was involved in a case I was working on, so I looked into it and went to my supervisor and discussed the situation with him. Since whom I knew wasn't directly involved and I wasn't directly working on the case he said it was not an issue. I still helped me understand the ethical issue that could happen by looking at the NASW website.

I will definitely use the NASW site in the future as a social worker. There are a lot of helpful resources on the website. They also make updates to the ethics and other things every few years so I will definitely need to check it often to learn about any new changes or new resources that would be helpful to know. I would also use it the same way I would at my internship in case something could be unethical I can do my research on the NASW website to determine if something is unethical or not.