

AASPN Membership

Qualification of the AASPN Members

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Article III - Membership

Section 1 - Members

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2. **There will be three categories of membership - Active Members, Senior Members and Candidate Members. The two categories of Active and Senior membership are mutually exclusive. Candidates members are temporary members who will subsequently progress to Active membership.**

Section 2 - Active membership

1. Active Members shall pay an annual due to the Society (the amount to be determined by the Executive Board) to be an Active Member of the Society and they shall be required to attend the Congress at least once every six years. Active members have the right to attend and vote at the General Meeting.
2. Applications for Active Membership shall be made to the Chairperson of the Membership Committee and shall be accompanied by a curriculum vitae and letters of recommendation from one Active Members (from a different institution) of the Society. Applicants for Active Membership are obliged to present a scientific paper at one of the Congress, unless they have already gained wide recognition in the field of pediatric neurosurgery.

Section 3 - Senior membership

1. Senior Members shall not be required to pay annual dues nor attend the Congress at least once every six years. Senior Members may attend and vote at the General Meeting.
2. Applications for Senior Membership - At the age of 65 or more, Active Members, after paying annual dues for at least 10 years, may be conferred Senior Membership upon the written request of the Active Member to the Chairperson of the Membership Committee and subsequent approval by the Executive Board.

Section 4 – Candidate membership

1. **Candidate membership is a temporary category of membership. Candidate Members are neurosurgeons in training or who have recently graduated from neurosurgical training.**
2. **Application for Candidate membership – Candidate membership is awarded to registered participants of the Asian Australasian Advanced Course in Pediatric Neurosurgery (AAACPN), who have satisfactorily completed the Course, on the request of the AAACPN Course Director. The candidate member will be expected to complete all the required modules of the AAACPN and attend at the least one AASPN meeting during their candidate membership to be considered for Active Member status.**
3. **They are expected to participate in all the activities of the Society. They are eligible to attend the General Meeting but are not eligible to vote.**
4. **There is no fee for Candidate membership.**

Section 5 – Associate Members

1. Associate Membership may be conferred on persons who are not neurosurgeons but who work in fields related to pediatric neurosurgery.
2. Applications for Associate Membership shall be made to the Chairperson of the Membership Committee and shall be accompanied by a curriculum vitae and letters of recommendation from two Active Members (at least one of whom is from a different institution) of the Society. Associate Membership is subsequently approved by the Executive Board and General Meeting.
3. Applicants for Associate Membership are obliged to present a scientific paper at one of the Congress. They may attend the General Meeting but they may not vote.

Section 6 – Honorary Members

1. Honorary Membership may be conferred on any person who has

made a distinguished contribution to the Society with the approval of Executive Board by more than 3/4 of entire members followed by the approval of General Meeting by more than 2/3 of those present. Active and Senior Members may be Honorary Members simultaneously.
2. Honorary Membership shall be applied by the written request of ten or more Active Members to the Chairperson of the Membership Committee. Honorary

Members who are not Active Members shall not be required to pay dues nor to attend the Congress once every six years. Honorary members who are not Active members or Senior members may not attend the General Meeting, may not vote and may not hold office, but they shall be able to participate in other activities of the Society and may be members of standing or special committees.