



AAACN GROUP MEMBERSHIP PROGRAM

The American Academy of Ambulatory Care Nursing (AAACN) is pleased to offer its Group Membership Program to your organization/facility to enhance the professional development of your ambulatory care nursing staff, and boost your recruitment and retention strategies. The program offers you a discount for enrolling nurses as members of AAACN.

AAACN would like to introduce your organization and your ambulatory care nurses to the many benefits of belonging to the only professional organization that represents the ambulatory care nursing specialty.

Benefits of AAACN Membership to Your Organization

- **Enhance Quality Patient Care.** Nurses who join and participate in AAACN's activities are exposed to cutting-edge education programming, professional standards of practice, resources to prepare for certification, and connectivity with multiple ambulatory care experts. These activities enhance critical thinking skills and better prepare nurses to focus on quality.
- **Recruit and Retain Nurses.** As the nursing shortage continues to be a financial, administrative, and quality care challenge for all health care facilities, an investment in memberships for your nurses presents a unique opportunity to actively support their professional development. This value-added benefit of employment can be an effective recruitment and retention strategy.
- **Promote Competency.** Membership in a professional organization helps promote competency through education and networking opportunities. Members receive continuing education throughout the year in the form of articles in our bimonthly newsletter and their selection of one of three journals: Nursing Economic\$, MedSurg Nursing, or Pediatric Nursing. The annual conference offers an array of topics to expand knowledge and improve practice while earning contact hour credit.
- **Showcase Your Organization.** AAACN provides opportunities for nurses to present best practices occurring in their work setting through conferences, publications, and Connected Communities.
- **Grow Your Leadership Base.** AAACN provides numerous opportunities for its members to volunteer and become involved in national initiatives. They may serve on committees, task forces, and on the national board, providing them with leadership skills that are readily transferable to the work setting.
- **Learn What Other Ambulatory Care Organizations Are Doing.** Members have access to ambulatory nursing experts from across the country and beyond. Networking opportunities are rated at the top of the list in membership satisfaction.

Membership Discounts for Every Nurse You Enroll

Enroll 25 or more nurses and receive a percentage discount off the standard dues rate of \$130. Your discount will be determined by the number of nurses you enroll in AAACN membership during the initial enrollment period, and thereafter (see chart on next page). As enrollment increases, so does your discount!

Next Steps

Attached are details of the Group Membership Program. We would be happy to answer any questions you may have. Please contact us at aaacn@aaacn.org to learn more about this program.

AAACN Group Membership Program Details

AAACN will offer a discounted membership rate per the chart below **for a minimum of 25 members** who join AAACN and whose annual dues are paid by their employer. Your organization will be asked to collect and return the minimum number of applications in one group along with **one** payment at the discounted rate.

Adding NEW members: Upon hiring new staff, your organization can provide new hires with a membership application and return the form to the appropriate individual at your facility to be submitted with your corporate payment to AAACN. Memberships are not transferable from one person to another.

Renewals: Administration of this program is easy! AAACN will send one renewal invoice to your facility annually. The invoice will contain a complete list of current members. Your facility will be asked to confirm current employment and continuation of membership for each of your nurses listed. You may also add any new hires at this time. Your facility will be asked to remit one payment to AAACN for the total number of membership renewals. If your group membership total drops below your original percentage tier, the next appropriate tier will apply to all new members. At renewal time, the total number of enrolled members will determine the renewal rate for the program. When enrollment drops below the lowest tier, the normal dues will apply.

Nurses who join in the middle of the calendar year will be processed at a lower dues rate to keep everyone on the same renewal cycle so that your facility will only be invoiced once per year for renewing members. (Example: A nurse joins in May. Your facility will be asked to pay 8 month's dues for this nurse instead of a full year. This will place the nurse on the December 31 renewal cycle, along with the rest of your nurses. With the December 31 renewal invoice, you then pay this nurse's dues for a full year thereafter.) A chart showing pro-rated renewal fees will be provided to you if requested.

Your SAVINGS under the Group Membership Program Individual Membership Dues is \$130		
# of Members	Discount	Adjusted Dues Rate
25-49	7%	\$121
50-75	8%	\$120
76-100	9%	\$118
101-200	10%	\$117
201-300	11%	\$116
301-400	12%	\$114
401-500	13%	\$113
501+	14%	\$112

AAACN Member Benefits

Members **keep abreast of the latest in ambulatory practices and receive support through:**

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| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Interactive website & membership directory ■ Online education with contact hour credit ■ Networking with other members via online networking communities ■ Membership in Special Interest Groups (SIGs) ■ Special Interest Group Connected Communities ■ <i>ViewPoint</i> newsletter 6 times per year with free contact hours for members | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Choice of 1 of 3 journals 6 times per year ■ Scholarships, research grants, & awards opportunities ■ Savings on conference registration, education, & products ■ Savings on certification exam fees
(ANCC's Ambulatory Care Nursing exam and MSNCB's CCCTM Certified in Care Coordination and Transition Management exam) ■ Monthly E-Newsletter |
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Tangible Benefits for Your Organization

Your members will receive member **discounts on:**

- Annual Conference – Member: \$469, Non-member: \$629 (**Save \$160**)
- Care Coordination and Transition Management (CCTM) Course - Member: \$195, Non-member: \$245 (**Save \$50**)
- Ambulatory Nursing Certification Review Course - Member: \$209, Non-member: \$259 (**Save \$50**)
- Pre-conference Workshops – Member: \$119, Non-member: \$139 (**Save \$20**)
- Other products & resources (**Save \$5-\$30**)
- ANCC's ambulatory certification exam fee – Standard fee \$395, AACN member fee \$340 (**Save \$55**)
- MSNCB's CCCTM Certified in Care Coordination and Transition Management exam - Standard fee \$375, AACN Member fee \$255 (**Save \$120**)

How to Implement the Program

We welcome your participation in this program designed to mutually benefit your organization, your nurses, and AACN. Please contact Stephanie McDonald (AACN National Office) at Steph@aaacn.org.

If you feel you have enough information to participate in this program, sign below and provide completed membership forms along with payment

Yes, our facility would like to initiate a Group Membership Program with the American Academy of Ambulatory Care Nursing (AACN).

Signature

Date

Print Name and Title

Organization

Contact at our Facility: _____

Mailing Address: _____

Phone: _____ **Email:** _____

Please send applications and your payment to:

Mail:

Stephanie McDonald
Association Services Coordinator
AACN
P.O. Box 56
Pitman, NJ 08071-0056

Fax:

Fax to: (856)589-7463
Attn: Steph

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