

APPLICATION FOR ASSOCIATE MEMBERSHIP

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- Complimentary subscription to <u>Neurosurgery</u>, <u>Operative Neurosurgery</u>, <u>Congress Quarterly</u>, and <u>Clinical Neurosurgery</u>
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- Access to the <u>Neurosurgery Survival Guide (NSG) App</u>, a trusted quick reference guide that encompasses the massive breadth of knowledge and information needed when caring for neurosurgery patients
- Complimentary access to <u>Nexus</u>, the CNS' comprehensive, case-based repository of neurosurgical operative techniques and approaches
- Exclusive member rates at the <u>CNS Annual Meeting</u>—and all live courses
- > Volunteer leadership opportunities through an extensive array of <u>committees</u>
- > Online management of <u>CME credit</u>, member account, and meeting participation

REQUIREMENTS:

"Applicants for Associate Membership in the Congress of Neurological Surgeons (CNS) are physicians and/or scientists who":

- > Are not ABNS eligible neurological surgeons;
- > Have shown distinction in some neurosurgically related discipline, and;
- > Have been recommended for membership in writing by two Active Members of the CNS.
- > Associate Members shall pay dues and may serve on committees but may not vote or hold office.

DUES:

The annual fee for CNS Associate Membership is \$360 (U.S. currency) plus a one-time processing fee of \$25

(U.S. currency). After your application has been reviewed and approved by the Membership Committee by the

CNS Executive Committee, a dues invoice will be sent to you. Please do not remit any money at this time.



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I. **BIOGRAPHICAL:** Name: Date of birth (MM/DD/YYYY): Place of birth: Citizenship: _____ _____ Residence Address: City, State, Zip: _____ Telephone No.: Email address: Organization: Address: City, State, Zip:_____ Fax: Telephone No.: □ No, do not send me CNS product and service updates and information via email. No, do not display my email address in the CNS Online Member Directory. Please send correspondence to this address: \Box work or \Box home II. **TRAINING:** Medical School: Degree: _____ Date of Graduation: Primary Training (please list dates and position(s) held) Other training (please list dates and position(s) held) III. REFERENCES Please list two (2) references who are MEMBERS of the CONGRESS OF NEUROLOGICAL SURGEONS. Name: _____ Reference 1: Email:

Email: _____

Reference 2: Name:

Phone: _____

Phone:



MEMBERSHIP, CERTIFICATION AND PRACTICE IV.

V.

Does your formal training meet the requirements for eligibil the AMERICAN MEDICAL BOARDS?		e .	n by ∃Yes □ No	
Are you board certified?			\Box Yes \Box No	
If YES, what year did	certification take effect?			
Are you certified by another examining body?			Yes 🗆 No	
If YES, what year did	certification take effect?			
List Board Examining	body:			
Local, Regional or Sta	ate Medical Society Membership	p.		
Name:		I	Date	
Are you a member of t	SSOCIATION?	Yes 🗆 No		
Are you licensed to practice medicine?			Yes 🗆 No	
State:	Issued	Valid thr	Valid through	
State:	Issued	Valid thr	Valid through	
PRACTICE TYPE (Circl	e one)			
Academic Government	Private-Group Academic/Private	Private-Solo Military	Retired Other	
ADDITIONAL REFERE	INCES			
LIST OF PUBLICATION	S:			
ACADEMIC POSITIONS	CURRENTLY HELD:			
CURRENT HOSPITAL A	PPOINTMENTS:			
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MEMBERSHIP IN MEDI	CAL SOCIETIES			

To learn more about CNS member benefits and to apply online, please visit: https://www.cns.org/about-us/membership/associate-membership



AUTHORIZATION AND RELEASE

1. Authorization: I hereby authorize the Congress of Neurological Surgeons (hereinafter referred to as the "Congress") and its board of directors, membership committee, professional conduct committee, or any of their employees and agents (each a Congress representative) to: consult or make inquiry of any physician, hospital, health system, medical school, medical training program, medical association, specialty board, licensing authority, professional liability insurance carrier, broker or agent, personal reference, individuals and/or organizations concerned with provider performance and the quality and efficiency of patient care, and individual or organization who has been associated with me and/or who has information bearing on my ability, training, education, professional ethics, character, emotional stability, professional liability experience, and other qualifications pertinent to membership in the Congress;

AND inspect and obtain copies of all records and documents that may be material to evaluating my professional qualifications, competence, ethical standards and practice patterns or otherwise related to qualifications pertinent to membership in the Congress.

2. Release: I hereby authorize and consent to the release of information by: each individual and organization who provides information to the Congress or its representative in good faith concerning my ability, training education, professional ethics, character, emotional stability, professional liability experience, and other qualifications pertinent to membership in the Congress, including otherwise privileged or confidential information;

AND the Congress and representatives to any physician, hospital, medical school, medical training program, medical association, specialty board, licensing authority, professional liability insurance carrier, broker or agent, personal references, and individuals or organizations concerned with provider performance and the quality and efficiency of patient care, any information relevant to such matters that the Congress or its representatives may have concerning me regarding my ability, training, education, professional ethics, experience and other qualifications pertinent to membership in the Congress.

3. Indemnification: I hereby discharge from any liability and agree to indemnify, defend and hold harmless from any liability (including reasonable attorney's fees and expenses) all:

Individuals and organizations who provide information to Congress in good faith, including otherwise privileged or confidential information; and Congress and Congress representatives For their acts performed in good faith in connection with obtaining or providing information about me and evaluating my credentials and qualifications. I hereby agree that no information obtained by the Congress or its representatives pursuant to any pre-application, application or re-application process shall be subject to discovery, subpoena or other means of legal compulsion for release by me or my agents.

- **4. Truth and accuracy of information:** I hereby certify that all information submitted by me to the Congress (whether in an application, CV or otherwise) is true to my best knowledge and belief. I understand and agree
 - (i) to update the Congress so that all information contained in my application for membership remains true at all times; and
 - (ii) that providing false or misleading information shall be grounds for denial or termination of membership in the Congress without right to further process.

5. Membership Dues and Assessments: I hereby acknowledge financial responsibility to timely pay all membership dues and other financial assessments imposed on my by the Congress.

6. Membership Pledge: I pledge that at all times while I am a member of the Congress to uphold the ideals and goals of the Congress and to continuously strive to provide quality and efficient care to my patients in a cost effective manner.



A photocopy of this form shall suffice as an original for the purpose of authorizing release of information.

By signing this form, you agree that the CNS can retain this information for the purposes of communication and service support set out in our Privacy Policy, which can be viewed at <u>https://www.cns.org/privacy-policy</u>. If you do not want your information retained, please email <u>privacy@cns.org</u>.

SIGNATURE

DATE_____



ASSOCIATE MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION CHECKLIST

Please make sure you have completed the application and submitted the following items:

- Completed and signed application
- Signed authorization of release form
- Provide information for your two sponsoring neurosurgeon references.
 NOTE: References must be CNS members.
- Photograph enclosed *Optional
- Curriculum Vitae enclosed *Optional

You can speed your application by encouraging your references to respond promptly to our request and by joining your local medical society or attaining active hospital privileges.

Please return the application to:

Congress of Neurological Surgeons ATTN: Member Services Department 10 N. Martingale Road, Suite 190 Schaumburg, IL 60173 USA
 Phone:
 847 240 2500

 Fax:
 847 240 0804

 Toll Free:
 877 517 1CNS

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 membership@cns.org