

CONGRESS OF NEUROLOGICAL SURGEONS



ACTIVE MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION

The Congress of Neurological Surgeons (CNS) exists to enhance health and improve lives worldwide through the advancement of education and scientific exchange.

BENEFITS:

- Complimentary subscription to *NEUROSURGERY*[®], the official CNS journal, *Operative Neurosurgery*, a supplement to *NEUROSURGERY*[®], *Congress Quarterly*, the official CNS news magazine, and *Clinical Neurosurgery*.
- Discounts on **sans** Lifelong Learning - an online self-assessment tool, as well as SANS: Spine, SANS: Pediatrics, SANS *Competencies* and SANS *Neurotrauma*.
- Complimentary access to CNS University, featuring more than 40 online courses and webinars.
- Opportunity to participate in the organization through volunteering on various CNS committees.
- Reduced registration fee for CNS Annual Meeting.
- Reduced prices on other CNS publications and courses.
- Ability to manage your CME credit, member account and meeting participation via your online CNS Account.

REQUIREMENTS:

An applicant for Active Membership in the Congress of Neurological Surgeons must be a licensed physician whose practice is substantially limited to neurological surgery.” Further, an applicant for Active Membership must:

- Be certified by the American Board of Neurological Surgery, The Royal College of Physicians and Surgeons of Canada, or the Mexican Council of Neurological Surgery;
OR
- Have completed the residency training requirements of a program approved by the American Board of Neurological Surgery;
OR
- Have acceptable academic training equivalent to the requirements for eligibility for examination by the American Board of Neurological Surgery;
OR
- Have an outstanding record in the field of neurological surgery over a period of years, due to the high standard of quality of the applicants work;
AND
- Be a member in good standing in the applicant’s local or regional medical society or equivalent documentation of good standing in local medical community (e.g. active hospital privileges) except for applicants who are officers in the Armed Forces; and have a record consistent with the highest standards of the profession.

DUES:

The annual fee for CNS Active Membership is \$575 (U.S. currency) plus a one-time processing fee of \$25 (U.S. currency). After your application has been reviewed by the Membership Committee and approved by the CNS Executive Committee, a dues invoice will be sent to you. Please do not remit any money at this time. For more information about CNS please visit www.cns.org.

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APPLICATION FOR ACTIVE MEMBERSHIP

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: _____

Telephone No.: _____ Fax: _____

No, do not display my email address in the CNS Online Member Directory.

No, do not send me CNS product and service updates and information via email.

Please send correspondence to this address: Work or Home

II. TRAINING:

Medical School: _____

Date of Graduation: _____ Degree: _____

Internship: _____

Type: _____ Dates: _____

Neurosurgical Residency Training: _____

Position(s) held: _____ Dates Attended: _____

Name, address, email and telephone of Program Director (Chief of Service) during residency:

Name: _____

Address: _____

City, State, Zip: _____

Office Phone: _____ Fax: _____

Email: _____

Other Residency/Fellowship training (please list dates and position(s) held):

Other neurosurgical training (please list dates and position(s) held):

III. REFERENCES:

Please list two references who are MEMBERS of the CONGRESS OF NEUROLOGICAL SURGEONS
(Do NOT include your Program Director as a reference)

Reference 1: Name: _____

Email: _____

Phone: _____

Reference 2: Name: _____

Email: _____

Phone: _____

IV. MEMBERSHIP, CERTIFICATION AND PRACTICE:

Are you a member of the American Medical Association? Yes No

Is your practice limited to Neurosurgery? Yes No

Are you ABNS eligible? Yes No

Are you certified by the ABNS? Yes No

What year did the certification take effect? _____

Are you certified in neurosurgery by another examining body? Yes No

Name: _____ Start Date: _____

Local or Regional Medical Society Membership

Name: _____ Start Date: _____

Are you licensed to practice medicine? Yes No

State: _____ Issued _____ Valid through _____

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PRACTICE TYPE

Academic

Private-Group

Government

Private-Solo

Academic/Private

Military

Retired

Other

V. ADDITIONAL REFERENCES:

LIST OF PUBLICATIONS:

ACADEMIC POSITIONS CURRENTLY HELD:

CURRENT HOSPITAL PRIVILEGES:

MEMBERSHIP IN NEUROSURGICAL SOCIETIES:

SIGNATURE _____

DATE _____



**CONGRESS OF NEUROLOGICAL SURGEONS
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.

Signature

Date

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ACTIVE MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION CHECKLIST

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

- ❖ Completed and signed application
 - I. List your Program Director/ Chief of Service (during training).
 - II. Document local medical society membership or active hospital privileges.
 - III. Document active license in state you are practicing.
- ❖ Signed authorization of release form
- ❖ Provide information for your two sponsoring neurosurgeon references.
NOTE: References must be CNS members. Do NOT include your Program Director as a reference.
- ❖ 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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