Discover the Professional Value of APS Membership
APS Membership

• Your Professional Home for Multidisciplinary Pain Research and Evidence-Based Treatment Resources
Mission

The American Pain Society is a multidisciplinary community that brings together a diverse group of scientists, clinicians and other professionals to increase the knowledge of pain and transform public policy and clinical practice to reduce pain-related suffering.
Vision

APS envisions a world where pain prevention and relief are available to all people.
Values

• **Integrity**: Demonstrated by mission-driven decisions and behaviors based on ethical choices, objective, evidence-based information, good science, and honest assessment of the greater good

• **Dedication**: Demonstrated by enduring commitment to advocacy for research, education, policy, and practice that advances pain prevention and relief

• **Interdisciplinary**: Demonstrated by respect for the value of diverse views and perspectives among professionals and appreciation of the need for teamwork to fulfill our mission
Who are APS Members?

• A diverse group of
  – scientists
  – clinicians
  – physicians
  – educators
  – students
Who We Are

- 50.31% Medicine
- 13.63% Psychology
- 12.71% Basic Science
- 3.47% Business/Industry
- 3.93% Pharmacy
- 2.05% Dentistry
- 6.39% Other
- 7.40% Nursing
What We Do

- Administration: 7%
- Basic Research: 7%
- Clinical Research: 20%
- Clinician: 34%
- Consulting: 14%
- Education: 18%
- Other: 1%
Discover the professional value of APS Membership

- **Stay current** with the latest pain research, topics, and trends.
- **Expand** your professional connections
- **Advance** awareness of and funding for pain research.
APS Member Benefits

- Multidisciplinary community
- Information and publications
- Advocacy and influence
- Educational and professional development
- Funding Opportunities
- Support for Young Investigators and Early-Career Professionals
- Professional collaboration and unrivalled resources
APS membership can help you

• Increase your clinical proficiency and efficacy with access to the latest information and research
• Access the most comprehensive evidence-based mix of pain science, research, and clinical resources
• Add to a strong, unified voice in advocacy around standards and quality of care
• Explore and take advantage of opportunities for leadership roles and exposure for your work and research
Shared Interest Groups (SIGs)

- Basic Science
- Clinical Trials
- Complimentary and Alternative Medicine (CAM)
- Ethics
- Genetics and Pain
- Geriatric Pain
- Measurement of Pain and Its Impact
- Nursing
- Pain and Disparities
- Pain Education
- Pain in Infants, Children and Adolescents
- Pain in Sickle Cell Disease
- Pain Rehabilitation
- Palliative Care
- Pharmacotherapy
- Psychosocial Research
- Science of Quality

Or get 25 people or more and create your own!
What APS Members are Saying

“APS provides a unique opportunity for science and healthcare delivery to come together.”

“I am interested in developing better solutions for pain.”

“I love meeting people who share my passion for treating pain.”

“It helps me be a better healthcare provider”

“I believe in being involved in translating research into practice.”

APS has a great journal and holds the best pain conference for multidisciplinary pain professionals

“Academic connections, education, publications, and social connections – I always learn something new.”

“It allows me to see in new ways and share my research.”

“Together, we’re transforming research into relief.”
As a Society…

• At a time of both unparalleled opportunity and considerable challenge in the pain community, the American Pain Society has made significant progress on programs that help increase the knowledge of pain and transform public policy and clinical practice to reduce pain-related suffering.
Communications

• Pain Research Funding Public Awareness Campaign
  – APS has been the forefront of advocacy for increased funding for pain research by federal agencies, such as the National Institute of Health.

• APS developed a proactive public awareness and media relations campaign to help educate the public and policymakers about the benefits of an increased investment in pain research
Education

• APS Continues to Advance ER/LA Opioid REMS Education
  – In collaboration with 10 other professional organizations that make up the Collaborative on REMS Education (CO*RE), APS continues its efforts to deliver programming regarding the prescription of opioids.
Clinical

• New Guidelines Add to Distinguished Series
  – APS clinical practice guidelines series is consistently ranked among the top three most valued member benefits
Advocacy

• APS Leaders Appointed to National Pain Strategy Groups
  – A member of the oversight panel will act as a liaison in each of the following working groups
    • Professional Education and Training
    • Public Education and Communication
    • Public Health: Service Delivery and Reimbursement
    • Public Health: Prevention, Care, and Disparities
    • Popular Research
Membership

• New Early-Career Forum and Mentoring
  – Supporting APS members early in their careers is an important role of APS
  – The Early-Career Forum is open to students of all levels and those early in their career trajectory in the area of pain research and treatment.
Research

• New *Journal of Pain* App
  – The *Journal of Pain* iPad edition allows members to get content where and when they need it

• White Paper Targets Gaps in Pain Research
  – The Research Advisory Committee began writing a research white paper to develop a strategic research agenda for APS and to provide input to policymakers on what APS views as gaps in pain research
  – The purpose of the white paper is to provide support to researchers applying for grants
Make APS Your Primary Professional Resource

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