

# Membership Guidance Notes

1. Please complete the membership form in black ink and write in block capitals throughout.
2. Read the classes of membership outlined below carefully and select the most appropriate one for you. NB: Evidence of qualifications/experience/continuing professional development may be requested when applying for Registered, Professional or Fellow membership.
3. Choose your method of payment. Please consider paying by direct debit, online or credit/debit card as these are the most cost effective ways for the Institute to process your payment.
4. Membership applications may take 7-10 days to process (longer if an invoice has been requested).

## CLASSES OF MEMBERSHIP

### Affiliate Member

- Those individuals who provide a support service to the clinical research industry
- Those who have an interest in clinical research
- Those new to clinical research
- Students in full or part-time undergraduate study
- Retired members who no longer work within the clinical research industry
- Those with no clinical research academic qualification
- Those studying for a clinical research academic qualification (see Qualifications)

### Registered Member (RICR)

- Those who hold a BSc in Life Sciences (or equivalent); or a clinical research academic qualification (e.g. MSc, PgDiploma etc); or nursing qualification or have passed the ICR exam or hold a cognate degree
- Must have at least one year's experience in clinical research
- Members need to commit to CPD
- Must abide by ICR's Professional Code of Conduct (available on website)

### Professional Member (MICR)

- As for Registered but have an additional 4 years' experience in clinical research
- Must provide evidence of achieving the required number of CPD points per annum on request
- All Professional members with an MSc/PhD (or equivalent) will be invited to become a Chartered Scientist (MICR CSci)

**Fellow (FICR)** *By application only; must be considered and granted by 'The Board'*

As for Professional Members and in addition:

- Must be Professional member for at least 3 years
- Must have at least 10 years' experience in clinical research
- Must provide evidence of a minimum of 2 years' of CPD

Once Fellowship granted must continue to provide evidence of achieving the required number of CPD points per annum every year.

### Honorary Fellow (HonFICR)

*By nomination only.*

- Those who have made a significant contribution to the Institute
- Those who have made a significant contribution to the clinical research profession

## Voting Rights

Affiliate Members do not have voting rights.

Registered Members, Professional Members, Fellows and Honorary Fellows have voting rights.

Professional Members and Fellows may apply to become a Director of ICR.

## Qualifications

Clinical research academic qualifications include (but not limited to):

- Certificate in Clinical Research
- Post-graduate Certificate in Clinical Trial Administration
- Post-graduate Diploma in Clinical Research
- Masters in Clinical Research

If in doubt please ask ICR if your qualifications are appropriate.

## Discounts

- A discount of 25% will apply to all ICR members who work for an Academic Institution, the Health Service or are students.
- Discount available on direct debit payments

## FUNCTIONAL ROLES

Please indicate all the functional clinical research activities that you are involved with, regardless of your job title.

- project managers/clinical research managers: indicate what you manage (eg trial, clinical development programme, drug lifestyle management, people, budget)
- clinical trial administration: includes trial file management; archiving, managing trial supplies etc (i.e. does not just apply to Clinical Trial Administrators [CTAs ])
- consultants/freelancers: indicate the service(s) (roles) that you provide
- operations: includes SOPs, process management, resource planning etc

## AFFILIATION

Please select one option from the list. This should be your main employer.

## SPECIAL INTERESTS

Select your special interests from the list.

Any queries contact the Membership Department on +44 1628 536976 or [membership@icr-global.org](mailto:membership@icr-global.org)