

## **Association of American Cancer Institutes**

## **Application for Sustaining Membership**

The Association of American Cancer Institutes (AACI) represents 98 of the nation's leading academic cancer centers and is the foremost advocate for these centers and the extraordinary work they do.

AACI's mission is to promote the common interests of the nation's leading academic and freestanding cancer centers that are focused on the eradication of cancer through a comprehensive and multidisciplinary program of cancer research, treatment, patient care, prevention, education, and community outreach.

Individually, AACI member institutions are many things: patient oriented, research intensive, translationally adept, clinically superb, and locally powerful. Working together through AACI, the centers promote their common interests by leveraging each institution's individual strengths to create a stronger whole.

### **Sustaining Membership**

Sustaining membership in AACI is offered to "like-minded" cancer related organizations with missions complementary to that of AACI. We want to work together for a cure and a future without cancer.

As a sustaining member, you have the opportunity to interact with decision makers from AACI's 98 member centers. Sustaining members are uniquely positioned to work with cancer center leadership to help solve shared problems and affect national cancer policy. Working collaboratively, we can more effectively inform public officials about the importance of making the fight against cancer a top national priority. The cancer center network recognizes the fight against cancer is as much a matter of public policy as scientific discovery.

## Criteria

Organizations eligible for sustaining membership must be not-for-profit and meet one or more of the following criteria:

- Represent and support the educational and professional development of clinical oncology health professionals and oncology researchers.
- Be dedicated to clinical and/or basic research with a strong focus on cancer.
- Be dedicated to public education related to cancer.

#### **Benefits**

Sustaining members will be able to take advantage of AACI's resources in educating policymakers on the importance of continued and sustained cancer research funding and access to clinical trials. Members will be able to partner with powerful local cancer research centers to make cancer a national priority, influence the national cancer program, and contribute to public education by supporting cancer center outreach efforts in their local communities. Sustaining members will be invited to participate in AACI-sponsored meetings, initiatives, and forums and will have the opportunity to meet annually with AACI leadership. The member-only registration rate for AACI's Annual meeting will be available to all representatives from sustaining member institutions.

## **Procedures for Application**

Membership applications may be submitted at any time. The Board of Directors reviews all completed applications and formally elects all member institutions. Candidates will be notified of the action on their application within 60 days.

The completed application should be sent to the address below. Questions regarding the membership application should be directed to Kate Burroughs, Director of Development, AACI, at kate@aaci-cancer.org or (412) 647-3844 or the address below:

Association of American Cancer Institutes c/o Kate Burroughs Director of Development 3708 5<sup>th</sup> Avenue Medical Arts Building, Suite 503 Pittsburgh, PA 15213

### **Dues**

Current annual sustaining membership dues are \$5,000.

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Organization
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Address:
Website address:
CEO/President/Executive Director
Name:
Title:
Address:
Phone:
Assistant (Name and Title):
Phone:E-mail:FAX:
Describe your organization (e.g., is this a membership organization; does the organization support research, engage in clinical activities, etc.?):
State the organization's mission and list your objectives: