

MEMBERSHIP CRITERIA

Criteria for Regular AACI Membership

Association of American Cancer Institutes (AACI) membership is open to all cancer centers meeting requirements for National Cancer Institute (NCI) designation, as well as to other freestanding and academic cancer centers meeting the criteria below.

Eligible organizations must:

- Be not-for-profit and an integral component of an accredited academic researchintensive institution and/or medical school.
- Possess a defined focus on cancer-related discovery to include research and training programs in clinical and/or basic sciences.
- Receive significant cancer-related funding from peer-reviewed sources (e.g., NCI, NIH, DOD, and other federal agencies; American Cancer Society, National Science Foundation, etc.)

Restrictions:

A cancer center cannot apply for individual membership if they are affiliated with a current AACI member cancer center. A cancer center may participate in AACI activities and events under the current center's membership, if appropriate.

AACI defines an "affiliated" member according to the NCI's Cancer Center Support Grant (CCSG) guidelines for a "consortium" partner. A CCSG consortium partner is as an institution that: holds a portfolio of peer-reviewed, cancer-relevant grants (at a minimum, 7 peerreviewed, cancer relevant grants of \$125,000 per year for 3 years from at least 5 PIs) is fully integrated into the cancer center at the time of application.

Cancer centers with a clinical focus must:

- Possess a wide range of cancer-related clinical disciplines related to patient care, including a broad portfolio of cancer clinical trials.
- Contribute to and actively participate in cancer-related community prevention, education and screening activities.

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