



Membership Form

Information about the NSW OTA

The NSW OTA was formed in 1957 and represents the interests of perioperative nurses in NSW & the ACT and has over 1300 members. The association's Executive comprises volunteer members who offer their time to represent the membership and work towards achieving the Association's objectives.

The Objectives for which the association is established, are to:

1. Promote and provide perioperative nursing professional development opportunities
2. Disseminate perioperative nursing innovations, advancements, and best practice
3. Assist in the establishment of standards of care for perioperative nursing
4. Support research and promote evidence-based perioperative nursing practice
5. Facilitate communication and networking between perioperative nurses across state, national and international nursing bodies
6. Collaborate with, and provide expert advice to, government, industry and regulatory bodies
7. Encourage the highest quality of care for all perioperative patients
8. Advocate professional issues for perioperative nurses
9. Promote perioperative nursing as a preferred career choice.

Benefits of being a NSW OTA member

Professional networking and recognition	The opportunity to expand your professional network and participate in advancing perioperative nursing practice through representation on a variety of professional organisations, committees and forums, at state and national levels.
Financial assistance	Opportunity for NSW OTA and ACORN financial assistance* to <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • attend conferences and educational events in Australia and overseas • undertake perioperative education • undertake perioperative research
Australian College of Operating Room Nurses (ACORN)	Becoming a NSW OTA member gives you automatic membership with our national perioperative nursing body, ACORN. As well as the other benefits already mentioned this also includes: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • able to purchase discounted ACORN products, including educational DVDs and ACORN Standards • eligibility for ACORN Fellowship • Excellence in Perioperative Nursing – Team and Novice nurse
Educational benefits	Receive <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Discounted registration fees for the annual NSW OTA conference and the for the biannual ACORN conference • CPD hours for all NSW OTA and ACORN Educational events you attend
Newsletters and Journal	Receive <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • NSW OTA Newsletter "Suite Talk", regularly distributed by email • receive ACORN journal 4 times a year
"Members only" access	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • access to the "members only" areas of NSW OTA and ACORN websites • access to members only online forum • access to the ACORN standards webinars
Awards	Eligibility for <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • NSW OTA Awards nomination, awarded annually at the NSW OTA annual conference * • Certificates and badges recognising years of continuous membership • ACORN Awards nomination, awarded biannually at the ACORN conference
Other memberships	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Corporate membership of Qantas Club
Tax deductible	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • membership fees are tax deductible
Voting rights	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • full members are entitled to vote on NSW OTA official business
Committee memberships	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • full members are able to volunteer for participation on the NSW OTA State or Zone Executive committees or any NSW OTA working party / project groups
Use of Post Nominals	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Entitled to use NSW OTA and ACORN Post Nominals
*	* = conditions apply

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We encourage all members to play an active role in the development of perioperative nursing practice. We have seven regional Zones which enables us to support perioperative nurses in the rural / remote areas of NSW and the ACT.

Regular professional education sessions and meetings are held in Sydney and in the Zones.

A conference is held each year and provides an interesting and fun way of learning more about perioperative nursing.

Three financial categories of membership are available.

Full Members	A registered or enrolled nurse who is actively engaged in perioperative nursing (including anaesthetics, operating room and post anaesthetic recovery unit) in NSW and the ACT.
Associate Members	A registered, enrolled or student nurse not involved in perioperative nursing, OR is nursing outside New South Wales / Australian Capital Territory. NB: Those who fulfil the criteria will not: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • be eligible for any financial assistance currently available to full members. • have voting rights
Retired Members	To be eligible for the Retired Members' Category, the applicant must: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • be a full member who has retired, or partially retired from perioperative nursing (may work on a casual basis in perioperative nursing – to be evaluated on an individual basis) • have been a member of NSW OTA (or other State/Territory Perioperative Association) for five continuous years prior to retirement Those who fulfil the criteria will receive: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • reduced membership rate - 50% of current full member rate • reduced registration rate for NSW OTA Conference – as determined annually by NSW OTA Executive • ACORN Journal, Suite Talk and other mail outs as per other memberships NB: Those who fulfil the criteria will not: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • be eligible for any financial assistance currently available to full members. • have voting rights
Life membership	Life membership is awarded by the NSW OTA Inc and no fees apply. (see web site for Life Membership guidelines)

Payment options and membership approval information

Payment options	NOTE: Membership fees are due annually on your membership anniversary date. You can pay your membership fee by any of the below options: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. B-Pay 2. Online membership renewal through our web site 3. Cheque / Money Order 4. Credit card by either <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - All new members must pay the first year's membership amount in full - Second year of membership (and thereafter) for full members can have quarterly amounts deducted,
Membership approval process	Please note that membership applications may take up to one month to be processed as approval is attended at the monthly NSW OTA State Executive meeting
When your membership is approved	You will receive <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • a NSW OTA membership information pack • a laminated membership card with your name, membership number and the year you joined. On your card the month identified as "member since" is the month when your membership renewal is due. • all official NSW OTA correspondence from the State Committee and from the Zone (see web site for Zone details) of which you have automatically become a member • a Tax Invoice will be forwarded to you 6 weeks prior to the due date.
Renewing membership or changing address?	Please remember when you change any of your details (eg: move house / employer, email address etc) please amend your details on the NSW OTA web site or use this form to notify us.

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Type of membership you are applying for: <input type="checkbox"/> New member <input type="checkbox"/> Renewing your membership <input type="checkbox"/> Change of details		
First names..... Last name..... Mobile phone..... DOB ___ / ___ / ___		
Address Work phone..... <input type="checkbox"/> Male <input type="checkbox"/> Female		
Suburb..... State Postcode Home phone		
Email address..... Name of Hospital/facility where you work		
(If applicable) name the person who nominated you for membership		
What is your title? <input type="checkbox"/> EN <input type="checkbox"/> RN <input type="checkbox"/> CNC <input type="checkbox"/> CNS <input type="checkbox"/> CNE <input type="checkbox"/> NE <input type="checkbox"/> NUM <input type="checkbox"/> NM <input type="checkbox"/> Other, please specify.....	What zone are you in? <input type="checkbox"/> Sydney metro (Zone 0) <input type="checkbox"/> Central Coast & Hunter (Zone 1) <input type="checkbox"/> Central West (Zone Two) <input type="checkbox"/> New England (Zone 3) <input type="checkbox"/> Riverina & Murray (Zone 4) <input type="checkbox"/> North Coast (Zone 5) <input type="checkbox"/> Illawarra & South Coast (Zone 6) <input type="checkbox"/> ACT & surrounding areas (Zone 7)	What is your highest nursing qualification? <input type="checkbox"/> Certificate (hospital trained) <input type="checkbox"/> Certificate (TAFE/Private sector) <input type="checkbox"/> Diploma/Advanced Diploma (TAFE/University) <input type="checkbox"/> Bachelor Degree <input type="checkbox"/> Graduate Certificate/Graduate Diploma <input type="checkbox"/> Masters Degree <input type="checkbox"/> PhD/Doctorate
Which of the following perioperative specialities or primary roles do you MOST identify with? <input type="checkbox"/> Consultant <input type="checkbox"/> Instrument/circulating <input type="checkbox"/> Anaesthetics <input type="checkbox"/> PARU/Recovery <input type="checkbox"/> Mix of inst/circ/anaes/PARU <input type="checkbox"/> Mix of anaes/PARU <input type="checkbox"/> Education <input type="checkbox"/> Management <input type="checkbox"/> Other, please specify.....	How would you describe your primary perioperative nursing role? <input type="checkbox"/> Direct patient care <input type="checkbox"/> Support services <input type="checkbox"/> Management <input type="checkbox"/> Consultant <input type="checkbox"/> Education <input type="checkbox"/> Academic <input type="checkbox"/> Researcher <input type="checkbox"/> Other, please specify.....	How would you describe your primary perioperative nursing employment facility? <input type="checkbox"/> Metropolitan public hospital <input type="checkbox"/> Metropolitan private hospital <input type="checkbox"/> Rural private hospital <input type="checkbox"/> Rural public hospital <input type="checkbox"/> Defence force <input type="checkbox"/> University/ college <input type="checkbox"/> Industry <input type="checkbox"/> Government <input type="checkbox"/> Agency <input type="checkbox"/> Other, please specify.....
How many years have you been nursing? <input type="checkbox"/> <5 <input type="checkbox"/> 5 to <10 <input type="checkbox"/> 10 to <15 <input type="checkbox"/> 15 to <20 <input type="checkbox"/> >20	How many years have you been perioperative nursing? <input type="checkbox"/> <5 <input type="checkbox"/> 5 to <10 <input type="checkbox"/> 10 to <15 <input type="checkbox"/> 15 to <20 <input type="checkbox"/> >20	In your primary nursing role what is your employment status? <input type="checkbox"/> Permanent full time <input type="checkbox"/> Permanent part time <input type="checkbox"/> Casual <input type="checkbox"/> Agency <input type="checkbox"/> Not currently working
Are you a member of any other professional nursing associations, (other than NSW Nursing and Midwives Association)? <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> Yes Please specify.....		

Information Submission - Terms of Use

NSW OTA Inc. is collecting the information on this form for the purpose of processing your membership. This information will be disclosed to ACORN who assists with administrative and organisational support.

We may disclose personal information where we are required to do so by law. If you fail to provide this information, NSW OTA Inc. will be unable to process your registration. You may gain access to the personal information you have provided on this form and other personal information we hold about you by contacting us on (02) 97999835. You also have the right to update and correct any personal information we hold about you.

- I understand that by joining the NSW OTA Inc that I will also become a Member of the Australian College of Operating Room Nurses (ACORN) and I agree to be bound by the NSW OTA Inc Constitution and the ACORN Articles of Association.
- I consent to the information on this form being used and disclosed as in the Terms of Use above.

Payment information GST Inclusive

- Full Membership \$110 for 1 Year Associate Membership \$85.00 for 1 Year Retired Member \$55 for 1 Year (not available to new members)

Payment details: I enclose cheque / money order for \$..... (Please make cheque payable to: NSW OTA Inc.)

Please charge \$.....to the credit card nominated: MasterCard Visa (Please print name clearly - as shown on credit card)

CREDIT CARD NUMBER _____ Expiry date: ___ / ___

Name:.....Signature:

Please return this completed form to:

NSW OTA Inc. Secretariat, PO Box 212, Croydon NSW 2132 Or if paying by credit card **fax to:(02) 97991867**

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