

Application for Organisational Membership 2016/2017

Eligibility: Organisations providing specialist palliative care services and care in accordance with the palliative approach may become member organisations of the Association.

A condition of membership is that members are committed to the philosophy of palliative care, as defined by the World Health Organisation.

World Health Organisation Definition of Palliative Care:

Palliative care is an approach that improves the quality of life of patients and their families facing the problem associated with life-threatening illness, through the prevention and relief of suffering by means of early identification and impeccable assessment and treatment of pain and other problems, physical, psychosocial and spiritual. Palliative care:

- provides relief from pain and other distressing symptoms;
- affirms life and regards dying as a normal process;
- intends neither to hasten or postpone death;
- integrates the psychological and spiritual aspects of patient care;
- offers a support system to help patients live as actively as possible until death;
- offers a support system to help the family cope during the patients illness and in their own bereavement;
- uses a team approach to address the needs of patients and their families, including bereavement counselling, if indicated;
- will enhance quality of life, and may also positively influence the course of illness;
- is applicable early in the course of illness, in conjunction with other therapies that are intended to prolong life, such as chemotherapy or radiation therapy, and includes those investigations needed to better understand and manage distressing clinical complications. (World Health Organisation)

Organisations will act through and be represented by their official representative nominated below.

1 Please provide the following information:

Organisation Name					
Postal Address					
Suburb				Postcode	
Email		Phone		Fax	

2 Select the level of organisation membership that applies to your organisation based on the expenditure on palliative care (Refer to the Membership Fees Table on the last page and tick the applicable box)

- Level 1
 Level 2
 Level 3
 Level 4
 Level 5
 Level 6

3 Please nominate your Official Representative and primary contact person for all correspondence regarding your membership:

First Name		Last Name	
Position Title			
Email		Phone	

4 Briefly describe your organisation's involvement in providing palliative care.

5 Please attach a copy of your organisation's most recent Annual Report.

NB: One of the benefits of membership is our weekly *Newsflash*. Staff working with a member organisation are able to receive this e-newsletter.

6 Declaration

As the nominated representative, I declare that the organisation I represent as a member of Palliative Care Victoria is committed to the philosophy of palliative care as defined by the World Health Organisation and agrees to be bound by the Palliative Care Victoria Constitution.

Signature _____ Date _____

Once your application has been approved by the Board of Palliative Care Victoria, we will send you a tax invoice, based on your organisation's actual annual expenditure on palliative care, as outlined in the information attached to this application form.

If you have any queries about your membership application, please call us to discuss.

We look forward to providing you with the benefits of membership and appreciate your support.

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Membership levels and fees 2016/2017

Membership fees are based on **annual expenditure** on palliative care services, including education, research, service planning and coordination, as well as bereavement services.

Annual Expenditure	Level	Annual Fee	Plus GST	Total Fee (incl GST)
\$0 to \$50,000	1	\$90.91	\$9.09	\$100.00
\$50,001 to \$250,000	2	\$368.18	\$36.82	\$405.00
\$250,001 to \$500,000	3	\$722.73	\$72.27	\$795.00
\$500,001 to \$1,000,000	4	\$1,445.45	\$144.55	\$1,590.00
\$1,000,000 to \$1,500,000	5	\$2,181.82	\$218.18	\$2,400.00
Over \$1,500,000	6	\$2,904.55	\$290.45	\$3,195.00