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You are invited to join the growing international community of medical practitioners and affiliates dedicated to the pursuit and practice of traditional acupuncture disciplines in modern Western Medicine.

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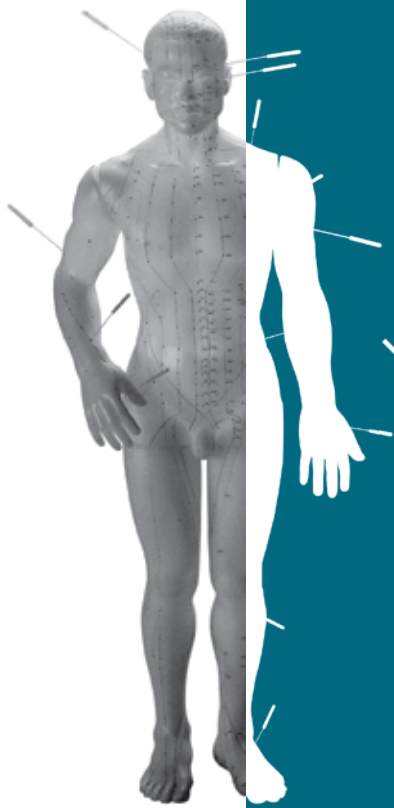
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Discover the Benefits of AAMA Membership

Leading the way in integrating traditional acupuncture disciplines into modern Western medicine.

The American Academy of Medical Acupuncture. Leading the Way in the Successful Integration of Traditional Acupuncture into Modern Western Medicine.

The AAMA is committed to the development and integration of ancient acupuncture disciplines into the mainstream of modern Western medicine. Membership in the AAMA will help provide you with the expertise and knowledge necessary to meet your patients' needs in a practical and effective clinical, research, or private practice setting.

ABOUT THE ACADEMY

The American Academy of Medical Acupuncture was founded in 1987 and is the only national professional society of North American physicians who have incorporated acupuncture into their medical practices.

The purpose of the Academy is to integrate the concepts of traditional and modern acupuncture forms with Western medical training, thereby producing a more comprehensive approach to today's healthcare needs.

It is the premier organization in encouraging new research and dialogue through conferences, symposia, and special events.

The Academy is committed to holding its diverse membership to the highest standards of training and proficiency among North American physicians practicing acupuncture.

Your interest in joining the Academy and commitment of support and development to this important organization is greatly appreciated.

The Academy welcomes you to its ranks of dedicated practitioners.

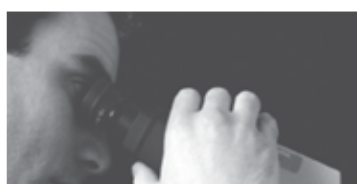
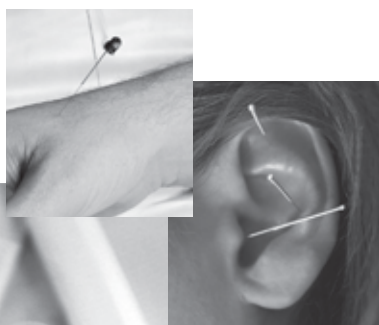
ACADEMY BACKGROUND

Acupuncture has existed since at least the Han Dynasty in China over 2,000 years ago and was introduced to Europe in the 17th century. Only recently has detailed research into the effects of acupuncture been undertaken. Acupuncture is taught in European medical schools and applied in nearly all fields of medicine while in the United States, acupuncture is rapidly taking a legitimate place as a valuable therapeutic technique.

The American Academy of Medical Acupuncture was founded by physicians who had graduated from the Medical Acupuncture for Physicians Training Program at the UCLA School of Medicine.

The AAMA is the sole professional acupuncture society in North America accepting physicians and others trained in Western medicine who have added acupuncture to their practice. Members come from a diversity of training backgrounds. Physician members represent all the acupuncture disciplines currently practiced in North America.

In addition, the AAMA has created an independent American Board of Medical Acupuncture to recognize those physicians who have met appropriate training, education and experience requirements. More than 600 physicians have earned Board Certification.



RESEARCH

DISCIPLINE INTEGRATION

TREATMENT DEVELOPMENT

CONTINUING EDUCATION

PRACTITIONER SUCCESS

PATIENT APPROVAL

APPLYING TRADITIONAL ACUPUNCTURE TO TODAY'S WESTERN MEDICINE

The Benefits of Membership in the Academy.

Membership in AAMA is available to medical practitioners and allied health care practitioners with training and interest in medical acupuncture. Our diverse community is made up of physicians, dentists, podiatrists, veterinary acupuncturists, researchers, physician assistants, nurse practitioners, and others committed to integrating acupuncture into their western medical practices. Academy members have access to educational programs and services specifically designed to strengthen and improve their acupuncture knowledge and skills. Members enjoy access to the peer reviewed journal, *Medical Acupuncture*, and an extensive collection of books, training materials and other services designed to help successfully integrate acupuncture into their practice. Consider joining the AAMA today.

MEMBER SERVICES AND BENEFITS

ANNUAL SCIENTIFIC SYMPOSIUM

The four-day Symposium is recognized as the definitive scientific and clinical conference for physician acupuncturists in North America.

CONTINUING MEDICAL EDUCATION

The Academy is accredited by the Accreditation Commission for Continuing Medical Education to provide medical education for physicians. All Academy education programs are offered with CME credits.

PATIENT REFERRAL SERVICE

Full Academy members are listed in an on-line directory posted on www.medicalacupuncture.org where patients can find practitioners in their area.

AAMA MEDICAL JOURNAL AND AAMA NEWSLETTER

The bi-monthly peer-reviewed journal, *Medical Acupuncture*, serves as a source of thoughtful scientific articles designed to advance the knowledge of medical acupuncturists practicing in North America. CME credit is available for select Journal articles.

A monthly e-Newsletter provides news and information regarding legislative, regulatory and practice developments in acupuncture and abstracts of published research.

BOOKS, REFERENCES, AUDIOTAPES AND VIDEOTAPES

The Academy offers an extensive selection of medical acupuncture materials. Books and references are discounted 15% for Full members.

PRECEPTOR AND ADVANCED CLINICAL WORKSHOPS

Medical acupuncture review workshops, practice management seminars and in depth advanced clinical treatment workshops taught by leading clinicians.

BOARD CERTIFICATION

Established educational and experience standards to recognize those physicians who have demonstrated their knowledge and achievements in medical acupuncture through examination.

PATIENT EDUCATION BROCHURE "Doctor, What's this Acupuncture All About?"

Members use this handy brochure as an introduction for patients new to acupuncture.

CURBSIDE CONSULT PROGRAM

Experienced Academy members offer suggestions and ideas on treatment and practice issues through an email list-serve group among members for clinical case discussions.

ADVOCATE ON BEHALF OF PHYSICIAN RIGHTS

Monitors developments in Congress, state legislatures and federal government agencies to protect physician practice rights and provide assistance on legislative, regulatory and malpractice issues.

LOCAL CHAPTER ORGANIZATIONS

Members have begun to organize locally into state and regional chapter organizations to provide an opportunity for education and networking at the local level.

MEMBERSHIP OPTIONS

FULL MEMBERS

Full Members are active MDs, DOs, DPMs or DDSs in the United States or Canada who have completed 220 hours or more of acceptable medical acupuncture training and are engaged in the practice of medical acupuncture.

ACTIVE DUTY MILITARY MEMBERS

MDs, DOs, DPMs or DDSs on Active Military Duty who have completed 220 hours or more of acceptable medical acupuncture training who are engaged in the practice of medical acupuncture.

STUDENT MEMBERS

Student membership is open to full time fellows, residents, and medical students with an interest in medical acupuncture. No special acupuncture training is required. Written verification of student status is required.

AFFILIATE MEMBERS

Physicians and allied health professionals with an interest in medical acupuncture but are not eligible for Full membership.

- Physicians, dentists, podiatrists and veterinarians licensed in the US or Canada with an interest in medical acupuncture.

- Physicians trained and licensed in other countries but practicing in the US as licensed acupuncturists.

- Physician assistants, nurse practitioners and nurse anesthetists with medical acupuncture training who are active duty military or are employed by the VA or DOD or are licensed to practice acupuncture in their state.

- Physicians who have substantially retired from the practice of medicine or from the practice of medical acupuncture.

- Persons with a graduate research degree (PhD or EdD) with an interest in medical acupuncture.

INTERNATIONAL AFFILIATE MEMBERS

Those physicians (MDs or DOs) licensed to practice medicine in a country other than the United States or Canada with an interest in medical acupuncture.

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CUT ALONG DASHED LINE TO DETACH COMPLETED APPLICATION FORM.

APPLICATION FOR MEMBERSHIP

Please complete the application below, using additional sheets of paper as necessary to provide a comprehensive history of your medical experience. When submitting your application please make sure you submit the required documentation as listed below in the checklist. You may pay by check or credit card. (This form is also available online at <http://www.medicalacupuncture.org/ForPhysicians/Membership/MembershipCategoriesJoin.aspx>.)

First Name Middle Initial Last Name Suffix

Date of Birth

OFFICE CONTACT INFORMATION

Street Address

City State/Province Zip/Postal Code Country

Phone (incl. area code) Fax (incl. area code)

Email Address

Website (if applicable)

PERSONAL CONTACT INFORMATION

Phone (incl. area code) Fax (incl. area code)

PROFESSIONAL HISTORY

Licensure (State and Number)

Current Practice Type Years in Current Practice

Specialty

Subspecialties

EDUCATION AND DEGREES

Medical School/Medical Training

Post Graduate

Teaching Appointments

Publications

ACUPUNCTURE TRAINING

Acupuncture Organization Memberships

FORMAL COURSES Title Sponsoring Organization Address Hours Dates

ACUPUNCTURE PRACTICAL EXPERIENCE

(Years of acupuncture experience, number of acupuncture treatments per week.)

REQUIRED DOCUMENTATION CHECK LIST

- Copy of Active State License
- Copy(ies) of Certificate(s) of Training in Acupuncture
- Provide Documentation of Military Status
- STUDENTS. Provide documentation of status as medical student or medical resident.

APPLICATION FEES AND STATUS

Please check box of the membership type for which you are applying.

- Full Member \$335
- Application Fee (Full Membership Only) \$150
- Active Duty Military \$175
- Affiliate \$175
- International Affiliate \$175
- Student \$125

TOTAL PAYMENT \$ _____

NOTE: For Full Membership applications only, add your Application Fee of \$150 **PLUS** your first year membership fee together for total amount payable (\$485). If paying by check, make it payable to the: American Academy of Medical Acupuncture, and mail to – Director of Membership, AAMA, 2512 Artesia Boulevard, Suite 200, Redondo Beach, CA 90278.

To pay by credit card, complete the form below and fax to 310-379-8283, or email to: administrator@medicalacupuncture.org.

Charge the total indicated above to my:

- VISA
- MASTERCARD
- AMERICAN EXPRESS

PRINT NAME (as it appears on card)

Card Number Expiration Date Security Code

Credit Card Billing Address

City State/Province Zip/Postal Code Country

Phone (incl. area code) Fax (incl. area code)

Email Address

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