FAQ – CANDIDATE FOR MEMBERSHIP PROGRAM

What is the difference between Candidate for Membership and Active Membership? Active Membership or International Active Membership are the only categories considered to be members. The Candidate for Membership Program is a benefits program meant for surgeons who don’t yet qualify to apply for Active or International Active Membership.

How do I apply for the Candidate for Membership Program? Complete the Candidate for Membership Application at: http://www.surgery.org/candidateform. Applicants will need to meet the following requirements:

- **U.S. & Canada**: Provide documentation from The American Board of Plastic Surgery (ABPS) or The Royal College of Physicians and Surgeons of Canada (RCPSC) stating Board admissibility. **International**: Provide verification of membership in a national member society as recognized by the International Confederation for Plastic, Reconstructive and Aesthetic Surgery (IPRAS), or International Society of Aesthetic Plastic Surgery (ISAPS).
- Attendance at The Aesthetic Meeting or a meeting exclusively organized and managed by The Aesthetic Society within 4 years prior to application date.
- Provide verification of accreditation of any surgical facilities that are used.
- Provide a letter sponsorship form from your residency program director (does not need to be ASAPS member) OR an ASAPS Active/Life Member (form included with application).
- Agree to abide by the Society’s Bylaws, Conflict of Interest Policy and Code of Ethics.

What will fulfill the meeting attendance requirement? The following meetings are exclusively organized by The Aesthetic Society, and are accepted:

- The Aesthetic Meeting (ASAPS Annual Meeting)
- ASAPS Las Vegas Aesthetic Symposium
- The Aesthetic Cruise
- ASAPS Breast and Body Symposium

What are the fees? The fees associated with the Candidate for Membership Program are:

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*Fees subject to change
When can I apply for Active Membership? You may apply for Active Membership at any time should you be eligible. You are not required to participate in the Candidate for Membership Program in order to apply for Active Membership.

Does being a Candidate for Membership automatically make me an applicant for Active Membership? No, you need to start the process of applying for Active Membership when you become eligible. The first step is to complete the pre-application checklist once.

If I do not participate for a year, can I continue in the Program? You may continue in the Program if you are still within your five year term. However, the fee schedule will continue even without renewal. For example, if you did not renew in Year 2 but would like to renew for the following year, you would owe your Year 3 fees.

How long can I remain in the program? You may remain in the program for a maximum of five years.

Am I required to stay enrolled for all five years? No, you are not required to stay enrolled in the program. All Candidates for Membership are encouraged to apply for Active Membership, should they become eligible.

Can I reenroll after five years? No, the five year limit begins at the time of enrollment. You may not reenroll regardless of the number of years participated. In addition, we encourage you to apply for Active Membership, should you become eligible at any time during your term.

If I already completed my term (5 years) in the original Candidate Program, can I still apply for the new Candidate for Membership Program? Yes, however we encourage you to apply for Active Membership if you are already eligible.

When can I apply for Active Membership? You may apply for Active Membership at any time should you be eligible. You are not required to participate in the Candidate for Membership Program in order to apply for Active Membership.

Can I state that I am Candidate for Membership? Yes, but you must remain current on your annual candidate fees in order to state you are a “Candidate for Membership” on your website and marketing materials. While you are able to use the verbiage “Candidate for Membership”, you may not use the ASAPS logo. Use of the ASAPS logo is reserved for Active Members only.

I was already enrolled in the original Candidate Program. Do I automatically receive the new benefits? Can you use my original application? No, you must meet all requirements and submit a completed application to enroll in the new Candidate for Membership Program (follow application steps on p.1). You will begin as a Year 1 Candidate for Membership regardless of how many years you were enrolled in the original Candidate Program.

What are the benefits? Candidate for Membership Benefits:

- Print and online subscription to the Aesthetic Surgery Journal (ASJ)
- Free legal advice from ASAPS legal counsel
Promote yourself as an ASAPS “Candidate for Membership” on your website and marketing materials (use of the ASAPS Logo is no permitted)
Access to ASJ via RADAR Resource
Subscription to the Aesthetic Society News
Access to the Society’s Online Clinical Education Library, CME and Shopping Cart
Discounts offering substantial savings on Aesthetic Society products, for which Candidates for Membership are eligible
significant discount on Guest Surgeon registration for The Aesthetic Society’s annual Aesthetic Meeting and symposia
Opportunity to serve on ASAPS Committees
Complimentary Webinars