



AGENCY MEMBERSHIP and COMPANY & CONSULTANT MEMBERSHIP FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

Who is eligible to become an APHA Agency or Company & Consultant Member?

Nonprofit Agency Membership is open to academic institutions, government agencies and nonprofit organizations engaged in public health work. The following types of agencies shall be considered to meet this requirement: (1) official health agencies; (2) voluntary health agencies and institutions; (3) health and welfare councils; (4) agencies providing health services as part of a broader program; and (5) other agencies and organizations that have established a recognized standing in the health field.

Organizations not detailed above are eligible for Company & Consultant Membership.

All applications for Agency or Company & Consultant Membership must be approved by the APHA Executive Board per bylaw requirements. Among other things, the board considers the likelihood that the organization’s activities will be viewed as partisan and how well the core values, mission and activities of an organization align with APHA’s core values and mission. APHA reserves the right to decline membership to an organization that does not align with APHA’s core values and mission or may be open to interpretation as partisan in nature. APHA is a 501 c3 organization and as such must adhere to applicable guidelines.

What is the membership fee?

Prices are based on an annual dues cycle and vary based on an organization’s size and type.

<i>Organization Size</i>	Nonprofit Agency	Company & Consultant
1-20 employees	\$500	\$1,500
21-100 employees	\$750	\$2,250
101-200 employees	\$1,000	\$3,000
201-300 employees	\$1,250	\$3,750
301-400 employees	\$1,500	\$4,500
401-500 employees	\$1,750	\$5,250
501-750 employees	\$2,500	\$7,500
751-1,000 employees	\$3,250	\$9,750
1,001+ employees	\$4,000	\$12,000

What forms of payment are accepted?

Payment may be made by check (payable to APHA) or via American Express, Discover, MasterCard or Visa.

How do I enroll to become an Agency or Company & Consultant Member?

You may complete [this application](#) and submit for approval.

Does my organization have to provide proof of status to be eligible?

Proof of the organization’s size is required.

Is there a waiting period for my Agency or Company & Consultant Membership to be approved?

Applications must be approved by the APHA Executive Board. The Executive Board convenes six times annually. Applicants should allow up to 10 weeks for review and notification of the board’s decision.

How does billing work?

Billing will not take place until after an organization has been approved for membership.

Once approved, how do I enroll my personnel?

Each organization will have one principle point of contact who will serve as liaison to APHA. All matters relating to the administration of the membership will be directed to the designated representative. It is the responsibility of this liaison to communicate with his/her employees on all matters related to the membership.

What benefits do Agency or Company & Consultant members receive?

Benefits include:

- Discounted registration to the APHA Annual Meeting and Expo (all employees eligible)
- A 10% discount on a booth at APHA's Annual Meeting and Expo (for *new member organizations only*)
- A 50% discount on classified ads in the *American Journal of Public Health* and *The Nation's Health*
- A 50% discount on print recruitments and about 30% discount on Public Health CareerMart job postings
- Up to 30% discount on publications at APHA Press (all employees eligible)
- Recognition on the APHA website
- One monthly hard copy of *AJPH* (for designated representative)
- Online access to *The Nation's Health* for your representative and for employees who register online

Does my organization need to adhere to any rules to remain in good standing?

Agency and Company & Consultant Members must: maintain business practices that are consistent with APHA's mission; enhance and not impede APHA's ability to act in the best interest of the public; and protect APHA's name, logo and other intangible intellectual assets. Should an organization conduct business counter to these standards, APHA reserves the right to terminate the organization's membership. Membership does not denote APHA endorsement of any specific product, service or organization and endorsement should not be stated or implied.

Are Agency and Company & Consultant Members allowed to advertise their goods and or services?

Member organizations are encouraged to use APHA advertising channels and take advantage of discounted member pricing. APHA does not rent/sell member lists, and the APHA member directory and APHA Connect may not be used as advertising/marketing tools.

Are individuals who work for an APHA Agency or Company & Consultant Member able to join as a full member, and if so, is there a reduced rate?

Yes, and we offer special rates to employees of APHA Agency and Company & Consultant Members. The membership rate of \$70 is available to individuals working for Nonprofit Agency Members and \$145 for those working for Company & Consultant Members. If the organization does not renew its membership, employees will lose the discount when they next renew. Because the discounted rate is contingent upon organizational membership, installment or auto-renew options are not available. No additional discounts (such as the green discount) are available.

Additional benefits for employees of Agency or Company & Consultant Members who also join as individual members include:

- The ability to present at the APHA Annual Meeting and Expo
- Online access to the *American Journal of Public Health*
- Eligibility to participate in two Sections of their choosing

Are membership dues tax deductible?

Agency, Company & Consultant and individual membership dues are not tax deductible.

Who do I contact with questions about Agency or Company & Consultant Membership?

Contact Nancy Sherwood at 202-777-3914 or nancy.sherwood@apha.org.