

HUNTINGTON STUDY GROUP MEMBERSHIP POLICY

Membership Qualifications

There are three categories of Membership at the Huntington Study Group (HSG). The details for each type of Membership are described below.

1. Credentialed Researcher Member

Definition: An Investigator or Coordinator who has been approved through HSG's Credentialing Process to conduct HSG Clinical Trials.

To become an HSG Credentialed Researcher Member, visit:

<https://huntingtonstudygroup.org/hsg-credentialing/>

2. Professional Member

Definition: A researcher, clinician, or medical professional who contributes to HD research and/or care.

This includes but is not limited to Genetic Counselors, Social Workers, Physical Therapists, Occupational Therapists, Speech Therapists, Fellows, Medical Students, Graduate Students, Nurses, Nurse Practitioners, Geneticists, Neuroscientists, Psychologists, Neuropsychologists, Psychiatrists, and other scientists **who are not Credentialed Investigators or Coordinators.**

To become an HSG Professional Member, visit:

<https://hsg.memberclicks.net/hsg-membership-application>

3. Partner Member

Definition: An individual interested in supporting the HSG's mission to accelerate treatments that make a difference for Huntington's disease.

This includes but is not limited to industry partners, advocacy group members, family members, and patients.

To become an HSG Partner Member, visit:

<https://hsg.memberclicks.net/hsg-membership-application>

*If at any time your qualifications and/or affiliations, institutions, positions, or anything that could alter your membership status change, it is your responsibility to notify HSG within 60 calendar days.

*The HSG requires that all individuals working for, with, or on behalf of the HSG on clinical trials, studies, projects, initiatives, or any other effort sponsored by or affiliated with the HSG, maintain the highest degree of integrity and level of personal and professional standards of conduct. HSG Membership Status may be altered or revoked at the discretion of the HSG including failure to comply with HSG's Code of Conduct.

Membership Benefits

Membership Type	Receive HSG Internal Updates (job postings, organization news, clinical trial information and updates, educational materials, HSG hosted webinars and forums, etc.)	Invited to Annual Meeting	Participate in Committees/ Working Groups	Participate in Education and Training Programs	Serve as Primary Site Investigator/Coordinator in an HSG Study or Trial	EMC Election Voting Rights
Credentialed Researcher Member	X	X	X	X	X	X
Professional Member	X	X	X	X		X
Partner Member	X	X	X	X		

Disclaimer

The Board reserves the right to add or remove benefits for membership of the HSG as it deems necessary and appropriate.

Members of the HSG as defined in the Policy are not “Members” for the purposes of the New York Non-Profit Corporation law and there shall be no legal rights appurtenant to membership.

Adopted by the Board of Directors on March 31, 2023.

HSG Code of Conduct

The HSG requires that all individuals working for, with, or on behalf of the HSG on clinical trials, studies, projects, initiatives, or any other effort sponsored by or affiliated with the HSG (“HSG activities”), maintain the **highest degree of integrity and level of personal and professional standards of conduct.**

These expectations apply in the context of all HSG activities including those undertaken as representatives of the HSG at conferences, other professional meetings, and in the community.

All HSG members must be personally and individually accountable for their actions and also for their decisions not to act. In their professional capacities, members of the HSG community should exercise sound judgment and act in the best interests of the organization.

HSG is a diverse and inclusive organization. Every member of the HSG community deserves to be treated equally and respectfully, without regard to such factors as age, color, disability, domestic violence status, ethnicity, gender identity or expression, genetic information, marital status, military/veteran status, national origin, citizenship status, race, religion/creed, sex, sexual orientation, or any other status protected by law. Harassment of any kind, including unwelcome sexual attention and inappropriate contact, are prohibited, and will not be tolerated.

While participating in any HSG activities, you agree to:

- Respect boundaries of others
- Respect confidentiality requests
- Be a good neighbor and look out for others. If you see something, say something.

Contact us to report an incident: If, while at an HSG event or participating in HSG activities, you have been involved in or have witnessed an incident that violates the Code of Conduct, please send us an email at complaint@hsglimited.org. Unfortunately, we cannot pursue a complaint without contact information, so please include it.

The HSG reserves the right to bar any person who violates our Code of Conduct from attending the HSG Annual Meeting in its entirety or part and/or from participating in HSG activities. HSG takes harassment seriously and will investigate all complaints and take appropriate actions as necessary.