



AMERICAN COLLEGE *of* CARDIOLOGY

CARDIAC CARE ASSOCIATE MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION



**Registered Nurse
Nurse Practitioner
Clinical Nurse Specialist
Physician Assistant
Clinical Pharmacist**

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Why You Should Join the ACC Team

You are on the frontlines everyday, working with your Cardiac Care Team to make the best medical decisions possible and to execute these decisions with flawless precision. Keeping up-to-date on the latest drugs, technology, and guidelines, as well as your required CME and CE credits can be daunting. The American College of Cardiology can help.

The American College of Cardiology (ACC) invites members of the cardiac care team – **Registered Nurses, Nurse Practitioners, Clinical Nurse Specialists, Physician Assistants, and practicing Clinical Pharmacists** – to join as a Cardiac Care Associates (CCA).

No other organization can match the cardiovascular education and networking opportunities that ACC provides.



“The American College of Cardiology has been the professional affiliation that has provided more for me than any other professional organization. What was missing (for me) in some of the other organizations was the ability to hear and see firsthand the same lessons that my M.D. colleagues were learning. As colleagues, we work as a team and now we are learning as a team. Having that professional atmosphere ‘raised the bar’ for me and has kept me in time with the advances in cardiovascular medicine.”

– Brenda Garret, R.N., Fuqua Heart Center for Prevention, Piedmont Hospital, Atlanta, GA

ACC’s Benefits Provide Leadership, Education, Advocacy and Networking Opportunities

- **Free, premium access to [Cardiosource.com](#).** ACC’s outstanding online publication offers thousands of clinical images, breaking medical news, guidelines, the *Journal of the American College of Cardiology*, and self-assessment products.
- **CE and CME Credit.** ACC provides a vast array of opportunities to earn educational credit hours to keep you certified with the highest caliber products and programs on topics of interest to you.
- **Annual Scientific Session and i2 Summit.** Learn alongside physicians and cardiac care team members at a substantially discounted rate.
- **Save on ACC Program and Product Purchases.** Receive substantial discounts on all ACC programs and products, including the Annual Scientific Session and i2 Summit.
- **Cardiac Care Newsletter**, written for and by CCA members, and *Cardiology* magazine, both practice-oriented monthly companions to the *Journal of the American College of Cardiology*.
- **Leadership Opportunities.** Participate on ACC committees, task forces, and working groups, present and lead sessions at the Annual Scientific Session, i2 Summit, or ACC’s Live Programs, submit articles to *Cardiac Care*, or work at the local level.
- **Unlimited Networking Opportunities.** Post questions or answer questions on the CCA Online Bulletin Board, contact CCAs in your community or state, enjoy the CCA Reception at the Annual Scientific Session, and meet your peers at ACC’s Live Programs.
- **Advocacy.** CCA members have an ever-increasing voice at the American College of Cardiology. Together, you have enormous influence, which can steer the direction of cardiovascular medicine.

Taking advantage of the many resources ACC has to offer is easy. To join:

1. Complete the Attached CCA Application.
2. Have a CCA or FACC member of the ACC fill out the attached Sponsorship Letter.
3. Photocopy your Practicing License.
4. Provide Payment.
5. Fax or mail all materials to:

American College of Cardiology
Resource Center
2400 N St., NW
Washington, DC 20037
Fax: 202-375-6842



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CARDIAC CARE ASSOCIATE SPONSORSHIP LETTER

The American College of Cardiology requires that all new members be sponsored by an existing member. This is true for both physician and nonphysician members of the College. A complete CCA application that can be immediately processed must include:

1. Completed CCA Application
2. Signed Sponsorship Letter
3. Photocopy of the Applicant's Practicing License
4. Payment

Enclosed you will find a blank CCA Sponsorship letter for your convenience. Any nurse practitioner, physician assistant, registered nurse, clinical nurse specialist, clinical pharmacist or physician who is a member of the American College of Cardiology can sign this letter for you. If you need help finding a sponsor, please contact Shane Osborne at 800-253-4636, ext. 6357 or via e-mail at sosborne@acc.org.



Helping Cardiovascular Professionals Learn. Advance. Heal.

Once the American College of Cardiology has received and processed your application, you will receive a letter outlining your benefits. This letter will also include your cardiosource.com username and password. With this information, you will be able to immediately access cardiosource.com and start earning CE and CME credit.

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For a complete list of programs and products offered by the ACC, visit the ACC website at www.acc.org. And don't forget, as a CCA member, you will receive substantial discounts when you register for an ACC program or purchase an ACC product. You will also be e-mailed hot cardiovascular news when it happens.

Sincerely,

Brenda C. Garrett, RN
Co-Chair, ACC Cardiac Care Team Committee
Clinical Coordinator
Fuqua Heart Center for Prevention
Piedmont Hospital



"I am so pleased that the American College of Cardiology has extended membership to the Cardiac Care Associate. This is a unique opportunity to belong to a special group. The ACC has enabled the R.N., N.P., C.N.S., and P.A. members of a cardiac care team to continue what we have started at the bedside, to work alongside the physicians to advance care in Cardiology."

— Judy Nichols, R.N., Marshfield, WI



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ACC Cardiac Care Associate Membership Category

(Sponsorship form – Signed by a FACC or CCA member)

As a member of the American College of Cardiology, it is my pleasure to recommend _____ for Cardiac Care Associate membership at the American College of Cardiology. His/her interest in cardiovascular medicine combined with proven ability makes him/her an excellent candidate for membership. Becoming a Cardiac Care Associate of the College will open up a new level of education and access to information that will ultimately benefit his/her patients and their families.

Name of Sponsor (FACC or CCA Member)

Member ID Number

Signature of FACC / CCA Sponsor

Note: This form can be mailed or faxed with the application or faxed directly from the sponsor's personal or business address.

MAIL OR FAX TO:

AMERICAN COLLEGE OF CARDIOLOGY

Resource Center

2400 N Street, NW

Washington, DC 20037

(202) 375-6000 ext:5603 • (800) 253-4636 ext:5603

(202) 375-6842 (fax)



BE SURE TO ENCLOSE:

1. COMPLETE APPLICATION
2. SIGNED SPONSORSHIP LETTER
The letter can be downloaded at www.acc.org/about/join/cca_letter.doc.
3. PHOTOCOPY OF YOUR PRACTICING LICENSE
4. PAYMENT

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PAYMENT INFORMATION

Membership Fee (must be enclosed)

\$125

*payment of \$100 annual dues plus
 a nonrefundable processing fee of \$25

- Check Payable to the American College of Cardiology
 MasterCard VISA American Express Discover

Card No. _____ CSC # _____ Exp. Date _____
(3-digit number on back of card)

PERSONAL DATA

- Registered Nurse (RN) Nurse Practitioner (NP) Clinical Nurse Specialist (CNS) Physician Assistant (PA) Clinical Pharmacist

First Name _____ Middle Initial _____ Last Name _____

Name of Practice/Institution _____ Your Position _____

Business Address _____

City/State _____ Zip _____

Business Phone _____ Fax _____ Home Phone _____

E-mail Address _____

Birth Date
(Month/Day/Year)

M F
Gender

LICENSE INFORMATION

License State: _____ Date Issued: _____

RN License Number _____ CNS License Number _____

NP License Number _____ PA License Number _____

Pharmacist License Number _____

Percentage of professional time devoted to cardiovascular field? _____ % since _____ year.

MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION, Part II

EDUCATION

	Name of Institution	City/State	Date Graduated	Degree
College or University				
Medical Undergraduate				
Postgraduate Training				

PROFESSIONAL INFORMATION

Medical Society Memberships

Name of Society	Office Held (if any)	Dates

1. Primary work setting (select one):

- Cardiovascular practice group HMO group model Multi-specialty group practice
 Governmental hospital or agency - medical HMO staff model Non-governmental hospital
 Governmental hospital or agency - Veterans Administration Medical school or university Solo practice
 Other _____

2. Primary practice setting (select one):

- Inpatient Outpatient Both

3. Primary practice focus (select one):

- Cardiothoracic Surgery General Cardiology Peripheral Vascular Congestive Heart Failure Hypertension
 Preventive Cardiology Diagnostic Imaging Interventional Valvular Heart Disease Electrophysiology
 Pediatrics/Neonatal Other _____

4. Areas of interest (select as many as needed):

- Acute Critical Care CV Education (patient) Information Technology Anticoagulation Clinics CV Education (staff)
 Lipids Clinic Arrhythmias and Devices Diabetic Management Pediatrics/Neonatal Cardiac Rehab
 Diagnostic Testing Preventive Chest Pain Emergency Care Quality Assurance
 Congestive Heart Failure General Cardiology Research Consulting/Consultation Hypertension
 Women's Health MR/CT Cardiology Cardiography
 Other _____

5. How did you find out about CCA membership in the ACC?

- Physician CCA Colleague www.acc.org Advertisement in Professional Journal
 Professional Conference Mail Promotion E-mail Promotion ACC Chapter Representative
 Other (please indicate) _____

6. What medical publications do you read? Please list in order of preference with #1 as most preferred.

1. _____ 4. _____
 2. _____ 5. _____
 3. _____

7. What form of communication would you prefer the College to use?

- Fax Phone Mail E-mail

8. In which format would you prefer to receive the *Cardiac Care* newsletter?

- Print/Mail E-mail

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SPONSORSHIP LETTER

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Name of Sponsor

Applicant Signature

Date