



MEMBERSHIP POLICY Affiliate Membership - Retired or Non-Practising

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Introduction

Diversional Therapy Australia (DTA) believes in retaining the connection with retired or non-practising members to support both those members and the future profession and professionals working in the field.

Purpose

To make provision for existing DTA Full Members to continue on as Affiliate Members on their retirement or when they cease to practice in the field and to offer this at a reduced cost to the member.

Authorisation

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Principles

To ensure that DTA, its past current and future members and the profession benefit from the guidance, mentoring, input and exchange between all members including those who have retired or cease to practice. This Affiliate Membership – retired and non-practicing members was created to allow these people to continue to be a part of DTA at a reduced cost.

Policy

This membership category is by invitation and may be offered only to Full Members of DTA who are retiring or ceasing their practice in the Diversional Therapy field. These members are encouraged to share their extensive knowledge with others who are still actively working in the field and to stay involved in DTA Network Groups, workshops and other events and the newsletter long into their retirement. DTA highly values the enormous contributions of our retired members in the development of the profession and the history of the organisation.

Affiliate Membership – retired or non-practicing member:

- does NOT constitute Full Membership of DTA
- does NOT hold voting rights
- does NOT allow for reinstatement of membership at the previous level if Full Membership is requested in the future. The Affiliate Member must reapply as per the usual application process
- does NOT require any Professional Development points to be collected
- is issued an Affiliate Membership Card.
- will renew annually at 1st July by invoice from DTA
- WILL be allowed access to DTA Website
- WILL receive access to eNewsletters and for additional fee, newsletters annually
- MAY attend or lead DTA Network groups
- MAY attend or present at DTA Workshops and other events
- WILL receive membership rates for Workshop or conferences
- Is NOT suitable for active or practicing DTA or to support employment

Responsibility

The Board's membership subcommittee is responsible for the implementation and regular review of this policy.