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Membership Categories for Retired and Senior AAP Members

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Many pediatricians are unaware that, in addition to the membership category of "Fellow", "Specialty Fellow", etc., there are two other categories of membership designed especially for retired pediatricians and senior pediatricians. The idea is to make it easy for us to stay connected to the AAP as a way for us to continue our lifelong interest in the welfare of children. And, not incidentally, our academy needs us. The two categories created to accomplish this are "Retired Fellow" and "Emeritus Fellow". Both categories involve a decrease in dues and they both have some conditions, which need to be met to qualify.

The **Retired Fellow** category requires that a fellow (this includes specialty fellows and corresponding fellows) must be at least fifty five years old, must have been an AAP member for 5 years or more, and must no longer derive income from professional activities. The membership requirement of 5 years might not need to be consecutive depending on circumstances. Retired Fellows may not hold national AAP office but it is important to note that they do retain their right to vote for national officers. They may also hold office in AAP sections. Effective July 1, 2009, the dues for this category are \$188, a considerable savings. This includes online access to our journal, *Pediatrics*, with all of its archives. Also included is *AAP News* online. A "print" subscription to *Pediatrics* can be had for an additional \$60.

The **Emeritus Fellow** category requires that a fellow (again, this also includes specialty fellows and corresponding fellows) must be at least 65 years of age and have been an AAP member for 30 years or more. The 30 years may not need to be consecutive depending on circumstances. Emeritus Fellows may not hold national AAP office but it is important to note that they do retain their right to vote for national officers. They may also hold office in AAP sections. One need not be retired for this category. Effective July 1, 2009, the dues for this category are \$67. This includes online access to our journal, *Pediatrics*, with all of its archives. Also included is *AAP News*, both print & online. A "print" subscription to *Pediatrics* can be had for an additional \$60.

If you believe you are eligible to take advantage of either of these membership categories, download the Membership Category Change Form, complete and mail to AAP. For questions, contact AAP Customer Service at 866-THE-AAP1, M-F 7:00-5:30pm central time. To check on your current AAP category/status, go to the Member Center and click on My Account, located next to your name near the top of the page.

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