

What it does
Who it represents
Why you should join

## The CNSF

# A Federation of Canadian Neuroscience Organizations

- Canadian Neurological Society (CNS)
- Canadian Neurosurgical Society (CNSS)
- Canadian Association of Child Neurology (CACN)
- Canadian Society of Clinical Neurophysiologists (CSCN)
- Canadian Society of Neuroradiology (CSNR)

The CNSF has over 1,000 members

# Congress - CNSF

- Current average attendance 450-500
- High profile guests and speakers from Canada, the USA and around the world
- Grand Rounds
- Relevant courses and Hot Topics
- Opportunity to connect with fellow colleagues

## **Activities - CNSF**

- Plans a yearly Congress in June (Accredited for CME, Section 1)
- Develops accredited programs external to the Congress
- Publishes the Canadian Journal of Neurological Sciences (CJNS)
- Manages the affairs of 5 Societies
- Advocates for the neurological sciences through the "Neurological Health Charities Canada", a consortium of neurological not for profits

## Activities cont. - CNSF

- Publishes Neuro|News to members:
  - Society and Federation news
  - Relevant Congress news and updates
  - Job postings
  - Advocacy items
  - Continuing Professional Development Calendar
  - Message from the CNSF President
  - CJNS Journal News
  - CME Opportunities

### **Future Considerations - CNSF**

- Further enhance the scientific program of the Congress
- Produce webinars
- Organize a second winter Congress
- Increase our educational offerings, i.e.
  - Neurosurgical practice Orals
  - Collaboration with external organizations to benefit our members
  - Incorporating other neuroscience organizations into our educational program

# Challenges - CNSF

- Staying relevant in the atmosphere of sub-specialization
- Competing conferences
- Attracting new and retaining existing members
- Increasing buy-in from younger members and program directors
- Encouraging programs to subsidize Congress registration for Residents
- Getting other neuroscience organizations involved
- Increasing benefits of membership

### **Annual Congress**

Geared towards the continued professional development learning needs of Neurologists, Neurosurgeons, Pediatric Neurologists, Neurophysiologists, Neuroradiologists and Neuroscientists.

- Accredited learning activity
- Gather with your colleagues and friends from across the country
- Learn, Mentor, Share, Teach, Collaborate, Advocate
- Members have discounted registration fee

### **Annual Society Prizes**

Society prizes for abstracts and expanded abstracts.

- Six first place prizes available for Junior members or Active members within two years of receiving their certificate. Approximate value is \$2500.
   Winners present at the Congress
  - Winners present at the Congress.
- Second place prizes of \$500 as well as on-site poster and abstract awards.

Details and submission information are available in the "Call for Abstracts"

http://congress.cnsfederation.org/congress/call-for-abstracts/

#### **Discounted Rates**

#### at CNSF's Canadian-led Congress courses

- Headache
- Movement disorder
- Neuromuscular disorders
- Epilepsy
- Stroke
- A full range of Neurosurgical courses
- And more

### Canadian Journal of Neurological Sciences

- Official publication of five member Societies
- Internationally recognized, peer reviewed
- Published through Cambridge University Press
- CNSF Members and Journal subscribers have exclusive access
- Author requests for Immediate Open Access to their article receive 50% discount for members

#### **CNSF Website** - Full of useful information

- Individual Society pages
- Congress and associated Society Prizes
- Advocacy and governance
- Career postings
- Dues payments secure link
- Membership Directories
- CJNS Journal articles back to Issue #1 in February 1974
- Resource links, calendar of events, and more

### **Specific Resident Benefits**

- PGY1 residents receive complimentary membership
- Subsequent years of residency: only \$80/year
- Congress registration fees: only \$250 (\$775 non member)
  - All Congress Courses/sessions
  - Course Notes
  - Luncheons, Breaks
  - Residents Social

### **Society Resident Representatives**

- Sit on the CNSF Professional Development and Scientific Program Committees
- Attend CNSF Board of Directors meetings and Society Board meetings.
- Help organize the resident social event: major networking event
  - Senior staff discuss their careers
  - Fellowship directors with positions to fill meet interested residents
  - Interested parties go to discuss career opportunities

#### Resident members can

- Participate in Congress planning
- Propose and present at scientific sessions
- Co- chair sessions

## **CNSF**

### Why be a member?

- Enjoy CNSF Benefits of membership
- Be a part of a truly Canadian made Federation
- Be an advocate for Neurosciences
- Support the neurosciences in Canada

### **CNSF**

#### **Because there are Canadian**

- Ways of thinking
- Guidelines
- Medications
- Healthcare systems
- Employment issues
- Advocacy themes

## Join the CNSF

- Learn from your colleagues in other specialties and sub-specialties
- Network with MDs from all provinces
- Find a Fellowship or career opportunity
- Set up a new project
- Have a great time and make some new friends

# **CNSF Membership**

#### Not a member of the CNSF?

- Become a member of one of the CNSF Societies
- Take advantage of the Benefits of Membership
- Download the appropriate Society Application form by choosing your Society of interest at: www.cnsfederation.org or
- Contact Donna Irvin at: donna-irvin@cnsfederation.org

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