

Article III. Membership

Section 1. Classes

The membership of NCAST shall include three (3) classes: Active, Associate and Special Members.

Section 2. Eligibility

Any individual is eligible to apply to be a member of NCAST. Although everyone interested in sleep medicine is encouraged to join, the Board will reserve the right to refuse an application for membership. All members shall be bound by the Bylaws, and other rules and regulations, policies and procedures adopted from time to time by NCAST.

Section 3. Classifications

Active Member

- a. Any individual who holds the credential of RPSGT and/or MD/PHD (Boarded in Sleep) and lives or works in North Carolina. These individuals shall have the right to vote and hold office.
- b. Any individual appointed by the Board to serve on a Committee as a Chair or member shall also be considered an active member. All Chairs and committee members shall have the right to vote. All Chairs and committee members shall hold office only if they meet the requirements stated in (a).
- c. Any individual who is employed in the field of Polysomnography in North Carolina and is seeking their RPSGT credential. They shall have the right to vote. They can not hold office until credentialed.

Associate Member

- a. Any trainee who is enrolled as a student in a polysomnography related program and not yet employed in the sleep field. They shall not have the right to vote, unless serving on a committee, nor shall they hold office until meeting the requirements stated in (a) under active member.
- b. Any physician other than a Boarded Sleep Physician. They shall not have the right to vote, unless serving on a committee, nor shall they hold office.
- c. Any individual with an interest in Polysomnography and not one of the above stated. They shall not have the right to vote, unless serving on a committee, nor shall they hold office.

Special Member

- a. Honorary members of NCAST shall be any individual who has been appointed by the Board. These members are individuals who have made a significant impact on NCAST or have demonstrated outstanding activity that is concurrent to the purpose of this organization. They shall not have the right to vote, hold office or hold a committee seat.
- b. Founding members will consist of the first elected officers and board members of the NCAST organization. This membership will permit the Founding Members to attend Board of Director Meetings and be recognized to speak. They shall have the right to vote and hold office.
- c. Corporate members will consist of any corporation whose primary occupation or business is directly or indirectly devoted to the manufacture, sale, or distribution of equipment or products, which are directly or indirectly used in the area of Polysomnography. They shall not have the right to vote or hold office.
- d. Emeritus members will consist of any individual who is retired from the field of sleep medicine whether physician or sleep technologist that would like to remain a member of NCAST.

Section 4. Prerequisites for Membership

Each application for membership shall meet all the requirements of the class of membership and all members shall be bound by the Bylaws, other rules, regulations, policies and procedures adopted from time to time by NCAST.