



CSANZ Application Process

Those applying for Membership are asked to note that applications go through the following process which can take several months:

- Review by the Regional Committee in which the applicant resides;
- For applicants who reside outside of Australia or New Zealand, the application is reviewed by the Honorary Secretary;
- Applications for FCSANZ and Associate Membership are then listed for review by the Professional and Ethical Standards Committee (PESC);
- Applications and the recommendation from the Regional Committee and PESC are then listed for consideration by the Board.

Applicants should be aware that the Board meets four times each year – March, May, August and November. Applications are **not** ratified outside of these meetings. An application needs to be submitted at least 8 weeks prior to the Board meeting at which the applicant wishes to be considered.

Membership Criteria and Nominator Eligibility

FCSANZ Membership Criteria

- Physicians and surgeons who are practising independently and have shown that their primary interest and commitment is the practice of cardiovascular medicine or cardiothoracic surgery, or in these allied subjects approved by The Society, and are at least three (3) years post completion of recognised specialty training in cardiology or cardiothoracic surgery. Such recognized training includes Fellowship of the Royal Australasian College of Physicians with specialty training in cardiology or Fellowship of the Royal Australasian College of Surgeons with specialty training in cardiothoracic surgery (“Specialty Training”). Post-graduate training and qualifications equivalent to the Specialty Training together with registration by the Australian Health Practitioner Regulation Agency (or successor body) or New Zealand Medical Council (or successor body) as a practicing cardiologist or cardiothoracic surgeon will be considered by the Board;
- Scientists with a doctoral degree and at least three years post-doctoral experience, who are conducting research independently and, whose principal field of research is cardiovascular disease;
- Individuals with demonstrated leadership in the advancement of cardiovascular health in Australia or New Zealand.

Clause 6.2 a) of the Constitution states:

Fellows of The Society must maintain continuing financial membership. Fellows of The Society must demonstrate continuing commitment to the advancement of education and research in cardiovascular disease, eg through participation in an accredited continuing education programme, publication of research papers or similar activities. Fellows of the Cardiac Society of Australia and New Zealand shall have the right to use the post-nominal identification FCSANZ.

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Associate Membership Criteria

- Associate Membership shall be open to persons engaged in the practice of cardiovascular medicine or surgery or research in these or allied subjects.
- They shall be Fellows of the Royal Australasian College of Physicians or Fellows of the Royal Australasian College of Surgeons (**it is important to provide training details**) or hold an equivalent post graduate qualification or have entered the advanced training programme of the Royal Australasian College of Physicians in cardiology or of the Royal Australasian College of Surgeons in cardiothoracic surgery or an equivalent post-graduate training programme.
- Associate Members shall not have the right to vote at meetings.
- **PLEASE NOTE:** Advanced Trainees applying for Associate Membership should use the ASSOCIATE MEMBER APPLICATION form.

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Nominator and Seconder Eligibility Criteria

- Only Voting Members can nominate and second applications for Associate Membership **EXCEPT** in the case of Advanced Trainees who can be nominated by their Training Supervisor. Advanced Trainees are NOT required to have a seconder.
- **Voting Members are:** Fellows (FCSANZ), Ordinary, Life and Honorary Members of the CSANZ.
- Both the Nominator and Seconder must personally know the applicant they are nominating for Membership.
- Both Nominator and Seconder must sign the application.
- **Overseas applicants only:** If an applicant for Associate Membership does **NOT** live in Australia or New Zealand, the applicant **must provide an additional two written references** from individuals to whom the applicant is personally known. The referees providing the written references do not have to be Members of the CSANZ.

PLEASE NOTE: The Nominator and Seconder Eligibility Criteria for FCSANZ and Associate Membership differs from that for Affiliate Membership.

Affiliate Membership Criteria and Nominator Eligibility

Affiliate Membership Criteria

- Affiliate Membership is open to nurses, cardiac technologists and scientists, cardiac sonographers and other health professionals (eg radiographers involved in cardiac imaging, physiotherapists, pharmacists), medical students and other persons with an interest in cardiovascular medicine or surgery or research in these or allied subjects.
- Affiliate Members shall not have the right to vote at meetings.

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Nominator and Seconder Eligibility Criteria

- Applications for Affiliate Membership can be nominated by either an Affiliate Member, Fellow (FCSANZ), Ordinary, Honorary or Life Member of the CSANZ.
- The Seconder must be either an Affiliate Member, Fellow (FCSANZ), Ordinary, Honorary or Life Member of the CSANZ.
- Associate Members are not eligible to nominate or second applications.
- Both the Nominator and Seconder must personally know the applicant they are nominating for Membership.
- Both Nominator and Seconder must sign the application.
- **Overseas applicants only:** If an applicant for Affiliate Membership does **NOT** live in Australia or New Zealand, the applicant **must provide an additional two written references** from individuals to whom the applicant is personally known. The referees providing the written references do not have to be Members of the CSANZ.

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