

Via Email  
All CAMS Presidents  
All CAMS Representatives

Tuesday 15<sup>th</sup> March 2016

### **IMS announces new Associate Membership**

Dear Colleagues,

After considerable research and listening to our members, the IMS Board has agreed to create a new level of **Associate membership** available from today, 15<sup>th</sup> March 2016. The aim of this new level of membership is to introduce the Society to younger health professionals who have an interest in midlife health, but may not be able, or wish to participate and benefit from full membership of the Society.

To make this a success we need your help to contact and promote the new level of membership to your younger members, or those who find the current subscription a struggle, as it does include some of the benefits of existing Membership, particularly educational materials, and full Associate membership gives access to the electronic version of Climacteric, our peer reviewed journal.

Associate membership is offered in two tiers: entry level and full Associate membership.

**Associate membership at the entry level** will be offered to healthcare providers:

- **under the age of forty, or**
- **living in countries on the World Bank list of “developing countries”,**
- **or others still in training with documentation from their programme director.**

For a fee of £10 this would give them online access to live and archived webinars, all educational slide kits, global position statements and updated recommendations, World Menopause Day campaign materials and online access to press statements which give analysis and IMS perspective on all the latest research findings.

At the time of registration, such Associate members, for an additional £20, (ie £30 in total), would be made **full Associate members** which offers additional benefits such as

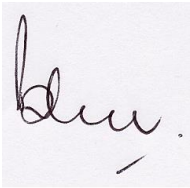
- **online subscription to Climacteric, the Society peer reviewed scientific journal**
- **free attendance at our pre World Congress workshops**
- **an Associate Member certificate suitable for framing**

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As you know IMS is a key opinion leader Society and we want to give access and participation in the Society's activities to those physicians who are the key opinion leaders of the future, at cost levels that may better suit their current educational budgets. We do hope over time that Associate members, as they progress in their careers, will become full members of the Society.

We do hope that you can actively promote the new level of Associate membership and increase the footprint of the Society, helping us to reach out to give physicians and other health professionals access to education which will help them better manage women's health in midlife.

Best regards,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Rodney Baber", with a small checkmark below it.

Rodney Baber  
IMS President

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Camil Castelo-Branco", with a long horizontal stroke extending to the right.

Camil Castelo-Branco  
CAMS Chairman, 2014-2016