

Australasian Association of Ayurveda Inc. Membership Application Form

The History of the AAA is linked with the history of the development of Ayurveda in Australia. It all began in 1979 with the 1st International Congress on Traditional Asian Medicine, known as ICTAM, organised by the renowned Indologist and Head of the Department of Asian Studies at the Australian National University in Canberra, Professor A. L. Basham, the author of A Wonder That Was India. Prof. Acharya Manfred Junius and Dr. Krishna Kumar were invited by Prof. A. L. Basham as Italian delegates to attend this breakthrough congress. This was the largest gathering of likeminded scholars, physicians, and practitioners of Ayurveda, Traditional Chinese Medicine, Tibetan Medicine, Korean Traditional Medicine, Japanese Traditional Medicine and other forms of traditional medicine that ever took place on the subject on an International level.

AAA Key Milestones

- The Australasian Association of Ayurveda Inc is a non-profit organisation governed by its constitution.
- The AAA was first registered in South Australia on 9th February 1988 under the Association Incorporation Act 1985.
- In March 1994 the AAA was included in the Schedule 1 of the Therapeutic Goods Administration.
- In October 1997 the AAA was registered with the Australian Securities and Investment Commission (ASIC) as a National Organisation.
- In October 1999 the AAA was represented by Dr. Krishna Kumar as the President of the Association in the National Industry Reference Group (IRG) in matters of Ayurveda under the leadership of Mr. Leigh Blashki which led to the national uniform standard of education of complementary and alternative medicine resulting in the National Health Training Package HLT02 under the administration of the National Training Authority (ANTA) working with the Community Services & Health (CS&H).
- In July 2000 upon representation by the AAA to the Minister of Health and Ageing, the Hon. Dr. Michael Wooldridge, the AAA succeeded in getting Ayurvedic medicine recognised as a bona fide system of health care and received GST free status for services by the professionally qualified members of the Association.
- In 2005 when the time came for the review of

- collaborated with the Community Services and Health (CS&H) in matters of Ayurveda that resulted in the endorsement of the HLT07.
- Since 1997 AAA has been an active member of the Federation of Natural and Traditional Therapists (FNTT).
- Since July 2007 the AAA has participated in consultations/discussions at Consultation Forums for Private Health Insurance; Proposal for Quality Assurance Requirements for Privately Insured Service As a result since July 2009 accreditation rules have been introduced by the Commonwealth of Australia regarding new accreditation requirements for providers of health services covered by the private health insurers.
- In April 2009 the AAA was audited by Benchmark Certification, Health Division Australia, on behalf of Medibank Private with a very pleasing result.

Ayurvedic Professional Membership Fees

Individuals who have attained an adequate standard of education in Ayurvedic Medicine acceptable by the AAA and intend to practice Ayurvedic Medicine in an adequate clinical environment in their own right or in association with another Ayurvedic practitioner/s.

Application:	\$40.00 (non refundable)
Annual Professional Membership:	\$200.00
AAA Documents:	\$40.00
Total:	\$280.00

Please make cheque/money order, EFT payable to the Australasian Association of Ayurveda Inc.

EFT Details:

Bank Details: Bank of South Australia

BSB: 105 008

Account No: 065009540

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Benefits of joining The Australasian Association of Ayurveda Inc.

The Australasian Association of Ayurveda Inc., established in 1988, is the nationally registered professional Ayurvedic Association committed to maintaining the highest standards and quality of service for Ayurvedic Professionals in Australia. It is the aim of the AAA to continue to uphold and increase the standing and recognition of Ayurvedic Profession within the community.

- The AAA has members across Australia.
- The AAA is governed by a Constitution and Professional Code of Conduct and Ethics.
- The AAA membership fee is one of the lowest, if not the lowest, professional membership fees in the industry.
- Members can attend and vote at the AAA annual general meetings and elect representatives.

Recognition

- AAA represents Ayurvedic professionals by working with government, educators, researchers, health funds and like-minded bodies
- AAA is listed in schedule one of the regulations of the Therapeutics Goods Act 1989.
- AAA is recognized nationally by a number of health funds and is working hard to expand the number of health funds to recognize Ayurvedic consultation as a bona fide treatment.
- AAA members are able to supply GST-free services in accordance with the GST Act – in particular Section 38-10 (1) (B) of the GST Act.

Website

- An individual password is provided to members for access to the member sections on the website.
- Professional Members benefit from the website facility to enable the public to search for an AAA Professional Member by state, suburb, postcode or name.
- Professional Members have their website address, included as a hot link, on the above search field.

Security

AAA member's information and email addresses on our data base are kept confidential and secure.

Certificates

Members receive the following certificates for their initial registration and annual renewal:

- Membership Certificate
- Therapeutic Goods Advertising Certificate of Exemption

Publications/Newsletters/Updates

AAA publishes a quarterly newsletter for distribution to the general public and professional members around Australia. Content covers articles on a broad variety of Ayurvedic health topics, including contributions from eminent Ayurvedic scholars, teachers and researchers. In addition, articles on daily and seasonal routines, healthy recipes, event information and up-to-date developments and news on Ayurveda globally are presented.

- Our Professional Members are encouraged to submit articles to claim CPE points.
- Members can access back issues of newsletters.
- Members receive regular updates on issues affecting the Ayurvedic profession in Australia.

CPE Program (Continuing Professional Education)

- AAA places a strong emphasis on improving knowledge and skills.
- A minimum of 20 hours of CPE is required per annum to maintain professional membership. The AAA strives to offer regular quality programs in order for their members to achieve these points annually.
- In October 2013 in Adelaide, the AAA organized the highly successful 3 day event: 'The First Australian National Ayurveda and Yoga Symposium', presenting eminent national and international speakers to the general public and Professional Members. Professional members gained 25 CPE points for attendance. The AAA will endeavor to organize these national events biennially, to be held in Adelaide and other states of Australia.
- Ayurvedic lectures are regularly arranged for the general public and professional members.
 Professional members attending these events can claim 4 or more CPE points.

- The AAA Website has started an education facility online for Professional Members with a Log in, Pay per session facility to access the broadcast of video-taped and live-stream lectures by Ayurvedic experts in their field. CPE points can be claimed for each lecture.
- Professional members who contribute to each published article in the AAA quarterly newsletter will gain CPE points.

Public Lectures

The AAA holds public lectures in Adelaide and interstate, conducted by highly qualified Ayurvedic doctors, on a variety of interesting and current subjects.

Prices may vary according to type of Event and location

Student Members

Concessions are offered to all Ayurvedic students attending AAA lectures, workshops and seminars.

Stationery

Complimentary note pads and pens are given to new members when they first register. Additional note pads and pens can be ordered for members at very reasonable rates.

Requirements for **Ayurvedic Professional Member:**

- The applicant must have completed his/ her training at an educational institution recognized by
- The A.A.A. in Ayurvedic Medicine and be able to produce copies of relevant qualifications.
- (AAA recognizes all Government accredited, endorsed or recognized educational institutions (RTOs) offering training/education in Ayurvedic Medicine in Australia and overseas).
- The applicant must also have current Senior First Aid Certificate or equivalent.
- The Applicant must obtain Professional Indemnity and Public Liability Insurance to be accepted as a Professional member of the A.A.A. (Please note: You will only be able to obtain the Professional Indemnity and Public Liability Insurance only after your application has been assessed and

approved as we shall provide you with your membership number which you will need to mention in your application form for the Insurance)

Certified copies of the following documents are to be forwarded with this application:

- Qualification(s) (Overseas Qualification must be assessed in Australia by Vetassess or NOOSR)
- Current Senior First Aid Certificate
- Academic Transcripts
- Current Professional Indemnity & Public Liability Insurance (If you have)



Application for Membership **Australasian Association of Ayurveda Inc.**

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Post this application to:

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