



# NORTH DAKOTA RURAL HEALTH ASSOCIATION Membership Application

**YES!! I would like to be a member of NDRHA!**

NAME:

\_\_\_\_\_ (LAST) (FIRST) (MIDDLE INITIAL)

Title: \_\_\_\_\_ Organization: \_\_\_\_\_

MAILING ADDRESS: \_\_\_\_\_ City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_

PHONE: (\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_ FAX: (\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_ EMAIL: \_\_\_\_\_

County of Employment: \_\_\_\_\_ County of Residence: \_\_\_\_\_

Zip Code of Employment: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip code of Residence: \_\_\_\_\_

Are you willing to serve on a committee? Yes No

Would you be willing to contact your congressman or state legislators regarding issues of importance to the health of those who live in rural North Dakota? Yes No

Do you personally know your congressman, senator, or state legislator whom you would contact on rural health issues? If so, please provide their names(s):

## Membership (Individual and Organizational) :

\_\_\_\_\_ Individual = \$50 \_\_\_\_\_ Organizational (budget less than \$4 million) = \$250

\_\_\_\_\_ Student = \$25 \_\_\_\_\_ Organizational (budget more than \$4 million) = \$500

## Sponsor Membership:

\_\_\_\_\_ Bronze = \$250 \_\_\_\_\_ Silver = \$500 \_\_\_\_\_ Gold = \$1000

If this is an Organizational membership, please provide names and email addresses of the four designated members from your organization:

(1) \_\_\_\_\_ Email: \_\_\_\_\_

(2) \_\_\_\_\_ Email: \_\_\_\_\_

(3) \_\_\_\_\_ Email: \_\_\_\_\_

(4) \_\_\_\_\_ Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Committees – Are you willing to serve on a committee? Yes No

If yes, please indicate which committee(s) you are interested in being involved with.

- Nominating Committee       Annual Conference Committee       Finance Committee
- Membership Committee       Community Relations Committee       Advocacy Committee

Your signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

**Please return this completed form and enclose your membership payment to:**

**ND Rural Health Association**  
**c/o Kylie Nissen, Center for Rural Health**  
**501 N Columbia Rd Stop 9037**  
**Grand Forks, ND 58202-9037**

**THANK YOU FOR YOUR INTEREST AND ADVOCACY IN RURAL HEALTH !**

# **NORTH DAKOTA RURAL HEALTH ASSOCIATION**

## **MEMBERSHIP CATEGORIES**

### **ORGANIZATIONAL MEMBERSHIP:**

This category is designed to support health care facilities (including hospitals, nursing homes, public health, mental health facilities, community centers, etc.), nonprofit organizations, government agencies, educational institutions, and other organizations. Each organization is entitled to four votes, with one vote through the designated representative as reflected on the membership books of the Association. Dues are based on the size of the organizations operating budget and are divided into two categories:

\* Operating budget less than \$4 million = \$250.00 yearly membership dues

\*Operating budget over \$4 million = \$500.00 yearly membership dues

### **INDIVIDUAL MEMBERSHIP:**

This category is designed for rural health advocates, consumers, community representatives, rural health care professionals, etc. Dues are \$50.00 and entitle each individual to one vote.

### **STUDENT MEMBERSHIP:**

This category of membership is designed for active students enrolled in any health-related training program. This is a non-voting membership with dues of \$25.00.

### **SPONSOR MEMBERSHIP:**

This category provides an opportunity for companies to help sponsor our events and provides each sponsor an opportunity to market and advertise their programs/products. There are three levels of participation available to ensure small and large companies, as small and large businesses can participate and support the activities and goals of the Rural Health Association of North Dakota. Sponsorship levels are:

\*Bronze membership = \$ 250.00

\*Silver membership = \$ 500.00

\*Gold membership = \$1000.00

Payment for membership will be done on an annual basis from May 1 through April 30 of each year.

# NORTH DAKOTA RURAL HEALTH ASSOCIATION

## COMMITTEES

### **Nominating Committee**

The Nominating Committee shall consist of two current Board members whose term of office continues beyond the next scheduled annual meeting, and two (2) members of the Association who are not members of the Board.

A. Duties: The Nominating Committee shall:

- a. Receive and process nominations for positions on the Board of Directors
- b. Conduct elections at the annual meeting of the members;
- c. Examine each nomination for a position on the Board and assign each nominee a constituency category;
- d. Examine the current constituency category of each sitting member of the Board annually;
- e. Administer the constituency requirements as specified in Article III
- f. Determine and publish its own nominations for positions on the Board of Directors;
- g. Nominate Directors for positions as officers of the Associations; and
- h. Perform such other tasks as the Board shall assign.

B. Nomination Process:

The Nominating Committee shall meet and select nominees not less than thirty (30) days prior to the date scheduled for the Annual Meeting and shall communicate its list of nominees with the notice of the Annual Meeting.

Other nominations for positions on the Board shall be posted by regular mail no later than fourteen (14) days prior to the date set for the annual meeting of members, and shall be sent to the principle office of the Association.

No individual shall be elected to the Board of Directors for more than two (2) full consecutive terms, but any individual having served two (2) full consecutive terms shall be eligible for reelection after an interval of one (1) year. Members who are elected to fill an unexpired term of a Board member shall be eligible for two (2) full terms following the completion of the unexpired term.

Members are encouraged to contact the Nominating Committee with corrections to the constituency status they have been assigned by the Nominating Committee, but decisions of the Nominating Committee as to category are final.

Members will be selected to the Board based on their perceived willingness and ability to make a meaningful contribution to the activities of the Association. All Board members must be members of the Association.

### **Membership Committee**

The Membership committee shall be responsible for designing and preparing membership and promotional materials. The committee shall also solicit new members and solicit renewals from existing members in an attempt to provide membership diversity in order to address unique issues.

### **Annual Conference Committee**

The Annual Conference Committee shall be responsible for planning, publicizing, and conducting the annual conference, which will be the annual educational offering of the Association. The Committee may include members who are not members of the Board.

**Finance Committee**

The Treasurer shall sit on the Finance Committee and may serve as chair. The Finance Committee shall seek sources of support for the work of the Association, assist in the preparation of the annual budget, and generally assist the Treasurer. The President-Elect is a member of the Finance Committee.

**Community Relations Committee**

The Community Relations Committee shall be the principal spokesperson for the Association, disseminate information, and develop media and promotional materials for the Association to the public.

**Advocacy Committee**

The Advocacy Committee is responsible for providing information on legislative and other rural policy issues.