Dear Colleague:

Thank you for your interest in becoming a member of the Division of Psychoanalysis (39). With membership, you will be part of a contemporary psychoanalytic and psychodynamic community that supports pluralism and diversity.

Founded in 1979, the Division of Psychoanalysis counts over 3,500 members, a diverse group of psychologists, mental health professionals and graduate students who share a common interest in the theoretical and practical elements inherent in effective psychotherapy. Division 39 is a dynamic organization with over 30 local chapters throughout North America. The Division has nine sections organized around members’ specific interests as well as seven seats on APA’s Council of Representatives, giving us a strong voice in matters of importance to our members.

Our efforts to foster the next generation of well trained clinicians includes an active Committee on Early Career Professionals. Whether you are early career or later, we invite you to complete the enclosed application or apply on our web site www.division39.org.

Activities of the Division

The Division has stimulated the development of interdisciplinary local chapters and training institutes. Interested psychologists are encouraged to participate in psychoanalytic psychological activities at both local and national levels.

The Division sponsors an annual Spring meeting, which is intellectually stimulating and clinically rich. This meeting has grown in importance and now is a significant venue for the dissemination of innovative ideas in psychoanalytic psychology. The presentations are at an exceptionally high level of scholarship. The Division, at both the Spring meeting and at the APA annual convention, as well as in the Division Journal, Psychoanalytic Psychology, reflects the excitement of contemporary psychoanalytic psychology, its pluralism and respect for diverse viewpoints. The Spring meeting is small enough to insure informal collegial interaction. Members of Division 39 receive announcements of and are entitled to a reduced fee for the Spring meeting.

Benefits of Division 39

Psychoanalytic Psychology
Published by APA, Psychoanalytic Psychology is the Division’s official Journal and is recognized as a significant psychoanalytic publication. Articles are theoretically diverse and include scholarly theoretical, clinical, and research papers.

Psychologist-Psychoanalyst
The quarterly newsletter reports on the functioning and activities of the Division. Committee reports and articles relevant to the practice of the profession are published as well as articles and opinions regarding matters of interest to the membership. The newsletter also contains a calendar of events.

Psychoanalytic Abstracts
Available as an online publication which indexes and abstracts all the major psychoanalytic journals as well as books. The Psychoanalytic Electronic Publishing Archive (PEP)
The Division has negotiated a special reduced rate for its members, and registers all of its members with PEP. Instructions may be found at http://www.division39.org/home_cont.php?news_id=31.
Division Sections

One important way to participate in Division 39 is to belong to one or more of the sections that the Division has established. Section membership allows a more informal and personal entry into Division activities. The sections also contribute to the vitality of the Division through the development of projects, especially graduate student awards and stipends that help ensure the continued growth of the Division and psychoanalysis.

Section I: Psychologist Psychoanalyst Practitioners
Section I serves the function of encouraging communication among psychologists and allied disciplines engaged in the practice of psychoanalysis, and supporting specific standards for training in psychoanalysis. Members of Section I meet the standards for psychoanalysts established by the Psychoanalytic Consortium.

Section II: Childhood & Adolescence
Section II gathers clinicians and researchers interested in working with and thinking about young people from a psychoanalytic perspective and embraces a broad spectrum of theoretical orientations to clinical work and research. Section II views its commitment to children as extending beyond the boundaries of clinical work to promote the rights and needs of children in the world at large.

Section III: Women, Gender & Psychoanalysis
Section III is dedicated to promoting research and theory concerning gender and women’s issues, to increasing the participation of women within the profession, to advancing the psychotherapeutic treatment of women and to advocating on behalf of women’s issues.

Section IV: Local Chapters
Section IV is made up of local chapters of the Division. Local chapters seek to support the identity of psychologists and other professionals interested in psychoanalysis, to provide educational opportunities in psychoanalytic theory, technique and related subjects as well as to educate the community about the value of the psychoanalytic orientation. Any group of Division members may form a local chapter if one is not available in their area.

Section V: Psychologist Psychoanalyst Clinicians
Section V fosters diversity and pluralism in psychoanalytic training through a varied program of professional activities. Members think that psychoanalysis should be a discipline of inquiry not an orthodoxy of belief. Programs, essay contests, website discussions, CE program, panels and lectures are informed by this worldview.

Section VI: Psychoanalytic Research Society
The purpose of this Section is to promote empirical, theoretical and clinical psychoanalytic research. It serves to facilitate continual development and training of researchers and to broaden the role that psychoanalytic research plays in psychology, in related disciplines, and in the public sector.

Section VII: Psychoanalysis and Groups
Section VII provides a forum for studying the application of psychoanalytic thinking to the theory and practice of psychoanalytic group therapy, and for understanding phenomena endemic to institutional and societal groups.

Section VIII: Couple and Family Therapy and Psychoanalysis
Section VIII is dedicated to promoting the understanding and treatment of the psychological needs of couples and families. This includes an emphasis on supporting and building on the strengths of family and social relationships as a source of healing.

Section IX: Psychoanalysts for Social Responsibility
Section IX welcomes those interested in both social issues and psychoanalytic ideas. The section sponsors events and activities in which a psychoanalytic perspective is brought to bear on contemporary social issues such as human rights, race relations, education, poverty and violence.

The information in this pamphlet only touches the surface of the important work and activities of the sections. To learn more about the sections, please visit the Division 39 website at www.division39.org and follow the links to the various sections. Some of the sections also have their own websites, which can be accessed through the Division site.

Division 39 Membership Application

MEMBERSHIP CATEGORIES:

Member: ($95)
Psychologists who are Fellows, Members or Associates of the APA are eligible to become Members of Division 39, as are doctoral level licensed psychologists who are ineligible to join the APA due to APA restrictions on program accreditation. Non-psychologist holders of graduate degrees who are licensed or certified in a mental health discipline are also eligible to become Members of Division 39.

Affiliate: ($65)
International members of the APA and psychologists who do not belong to APA are eligible to become Affiliate Members of Division 39. Other individuals who have demonstrated an interest in psychoanalysis through academic training, institute training, continuing education, writing or related study are also eligible to become Affiliate Members.

Student: ($25)
Undergraduate and graduate students interested in psychoanalysis are eligible to become Student members of Division 39.

PLEASE CHECK ONE:

$95 Member – APA # ___________(required)
$95 Member (other mental health professional)
$65 Affiliate
$25 Student

IMPORTANT:
Unless declined below, your contact information will be published in the Division 39 electronic directory.

NO, do not publish my information in the Division 39 electronic directory.

Name
Address
City State Zip

Work Phone
Fax

Email

Degree—Year Awarded—Discipline

Foreign Language Fluency (including ASL)

States Licensed In

Signature Date

Please complete this form and return with payment or join on the web at www.division39.org.

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