

December 13, 2011

Dear MePA member:

First of all, let me take this opportunity to thank you for being a member of the Maine Psychological Association. Many of us have not seen our practices or salaries grow in the past few years, and our expenses have gone up. Despite that reality, you continue to support your professional organization. You have our gratitude for your commitment to the profession.

Why is it so important for us to have a strong presence in Maine, and especially in the State House? As 2012 fast approaches, revenues coming in to the state's coffers remain behind projections, and the governor has already proposed a hundred million dollar disappropriation for social and health care services. Cuts to budget affect psychologists and our clients. It is critical that we spend time, money and energy making connections with legislators and state agency personnel to educate them on the important work psychologists do, and on the cost-benefit analysis of providing psychological services.

Besides legislative advocacy, MePA's Reimbursement Oversight Committee (ROC) is ready to investigate problems you are having with insurers, and annually meets with the Superintendent of the Maine Bureau of Insurance to advocate for regulation of the insurance industry. Our Ethics Committee is available to assist members free of charge with thorny questions, our Early Career Psychologist group provides support and advice for those just starting out, and the Legislative Committee acts on or monitors every single piece of legislation in Maine that affects psychology.

So please renew today. To make it as easy, you can do it online at <http://www.mepa.org> or just complete the attached form and send back it with your payment. You can even pay in installments. Just call the office and speak to Sheila about arranging a payment plan.

Thank you again and have a wonderful holiday season!

Sincerely,

David C. Lilly, PsyD
President

**Maine Psychological Association
2012 Renewal Statement**

**Please complete and return to MePA or renew on-line at www.mepa.org by FEBRUARY 1.
If contact information is unchanged since 2011, please leave all but name blank.**

Name _____
Home Street address _____
City _____ County _____ State _____ Zip Code _____
Phone _____ E-mail _____ Fax _____

Are you licensed in Maine? ___ Yes ___ No

Business Name _____
Street address _____
City _____ County _____ State _____ Zip Code _____
Phone _____ E-mail _____ Fax _____

Payment Categories

Please check the category that reflects your payment.

Full Member (voting)

- \$295 (Paid before Feb. 1) Income (from psychological work) > \$30,000 per year
- \$320 (Paid after Feb. 1) Income (from psychological work) > \$30,000 per year

- \$240 (Paid before Feb. 1) Income (from psychological work) < \$30,000 per year
- \$265 (Paid after Feb. 1) Income (from psychological work) < \$30,000 per year

Academic/Researcher (Voting)

- \$95 (Paid before Feb. 1) Employed in a full-time faculty or research position and do not engage in private practice.
- \$120 (Paid after Feb. 1) Employed in a full-time faculty or research position and do not engage in private practice.

Associate (Voting after 5 years)

- \$80 (Paid before Feb. 1) Master's degree in psychology or completed at least two years of graduate work.
- \$105 (Paid after Feb. 1) Master's degree in psychology or completed at least two years of graduate work.

Retired (Voting)

- \$100 Income > \$30,000 per year
- \$60 Income < \$30,000 per year
- \$25 Completely retired.

Affiliate

- \$40 (Paid before Feb. 1) Student or former member who no longer meets "Member" requirements, or a psychologist who resides or works out-of-state.
- \$65 (paid after Feb. 1) Student or former member who no longer meets "Member" requirements, or a psychologist who resides or works out-of-state.

MePA Practice Registry

- \$100 MEPA PRACTICE REGISTRY: MePA will maintain contact information about your records after your relocation/retirement/death. Participating in the Registry requires a one-time fee of \$100 for MePA members and \$200 for non-members. Please provide name and address of the individual whose name will appear on the Registry.
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_____TOTAL PAYMENT

Payment

MasterCard/VISA/Discover

_____ Exp. Date _____

Security Code _____

Deductibility

Association dues are not deductible as a charitable contribution, but may be deducted as an ordinary business expense. MePA estimates that for 2012, 14.2% of dues will be allocated to lobbying expenditures, and are not deductible for federal income tax purposes. IRC Sec 162(e)(3).

Foreign Language?

Do you speak a foreign language? Please specify: _____

Media Contact

Would you be willing to speak to the media about psychological topics?

Topics: _____

Committees/Subcommittees

I would like more information about the following committees:

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Public Education | <input type="checkbox"/> Women in Psychology |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Legislative | <input type="checkbox"/> Continuing Education |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Peace and Social Justice | <input type="checkbox"/> Ethics |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Membership | <input type="checkbox"/> Prescription Privileges Task Force |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Reimbursement Oversight | <input type="checkbox"/> Audit |

Referral Service

Please take a minute to update your practice information on the website (mepa.org).

Comments/Suggestions?

Please return to MePA, P.O. Box 5435, Augusta, ME 04332 ~ THANK YOU!