

Association for Child and Adolescent Counseling

A Division of the American Counseling Association

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ACAC

Association for Child and
Adolescent Counseling

Your way to connect and stay current.



The Benefits of Joining the ACA

ACA is the leading advocate for you and your career.

When you become a member of ACA, you become part of the largest network of counseling professionals in the world. That means direct access to the resources and education you need to stay at the top of your game, unlimited ways to connect with other counseling professionals for guidance and support, and powerful representation on the topics and issues that affect your career.

Professional Tools

Professional Liability Insurance

ACA members are offered a full line of professional liability insurance products through the Healthcare Providers Service Organization (HPSO). From complimentary membership for Master's students, a 50% discount for new professionals and a 10% discount for all other members, you can rest assured that HPSO offers the most competitive insurance programs possible.

Health Insurance Programs

ACA provides assistance with medical, dental, life, disability, and long-term care insurance through special plans.

Ethics Consultations

Get the support you need when you need it. Consultations are available five days a week with a 72-hour inquiry response time. *Free to members.*

Career Resources

Take advantage of free resume critiques, mock interviews, job listings, search strategies and much more.

Education

Savings on CEs

ACA membership quickly pays for itself, as you earn one FREE CE credit each month (members are notified of opportunities via email). *That's a \$240 value.*

News, Information, & Inspiration

Whether it's the *Counseling Today* magazine, a quarterly electronic counseling research journal, *Journal of Counseling & Development* (print copies available for a fee), or bimonthly editions of ACA eNews (special focus editions also available), you will have everything you need at your fingertips.

Counseling.org

The ACA website offers unlimited education opportunities, including webinars, podcasts, Practice Briefs (research-based approaches sub-

mitted by other counselors); full access to *Journal of Counseling & Development* and *Counseling Today* articles and much more.

Advocacy

From fighting for critical legislation on Capitol Hill to promoting the value of professional counselors and counseling to the public, ACA is leading the charge to ensure that you receive the respect and support you deserve.

Professional Credibility

The ACA member logo, on your website and business cards, assures those you serve that you are a leader in the counseling profession, adhering firmly to the ACA Code of Ethics.

A Community of Your Own

ACA Conference & Expo

No other meeting brings together a more diverse cross section of the counseling profession, representing every counseling specialty from every corner of the globe.

ACA Divisions & Branches

Take your membership to the next level. Divisions and Branches represent the best opportunity to stay connected with colleagues working in your specific interest and practice areas, or gain access to other counselors in your own neighborhood.

ACA Connect

This online networking tool for members only allows you the opportunity to find friends and colleagues with similar interests, contribute practical tips and ideas, ask questions and get answers in real time, share powerful education resources, see who is attending events, watch brief instructional videos, and so much more.

Social Media

ACA is very active on Facebook (American Counseling Association), Twitter (@CounselingViews) and LinkedIn (American Counseling Association). Like and follow us to get news, deadline reminders, information about special promotions, contests, and deals, and more.

ACA Discounts

Members receive exclusive discounts on auto, home, and personal insurance products as well as discounts from industry leaders in travel, hotel, cell phones, credit cards, office products and much more.

**Log onto our website counseling.org
to learn more about ACA.**

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What is ACAC?

ACAC is a support and information network for counselors who work with children and adolescents. The American Counseling Association's Code of Ethics (2014) and the Council for the Accreditation of Counseling and Related Educational Programs standards (2009) charges counselors with enhancing human development across the lifespan; therefore, ACAC supports counselors working with children and adolescents from birth through adolescent. The breadth of this developmental range offers its own unique experiences and challenges. ACAC serves to bring a community of counselors together who strive to offer best practices to this underserved and distinct population.

The goals of ACAC are:

- Promote a greater awareness, advocacy, and understanding of children and adolescents among members of the counseling profession and related helping fields.
- Advance developmentally appropriate prevention and intervention strategies for counseling children and adolescents.
- Support counseling and education with parents of children and adolescents.
- Foster counselor consultation with caretakers and other professionals who are involved in the lives of children and adolescents.
- Provide professional development activities to improve education and training of counselors who work with children and adolescents.
- Disseminate educational and professional materials with the purpose of raising the standards of practice for children and adolescents in counseling, psychotherapy, and mental health.
- Encourage involvement and communication of ACAC members to share knowledge and support for improvement of mental health services to children and adolescents.

Who Joins ACAC?

ACAC is open to all counselors who work with children and adolescents in a variety of settings, including schools, agencies, hospitals, and private practice. Counselors who benefit from membership in ACAC include:

- Mental Health Clinicians
- School Counselors
- Play Therapists
- Counselor Educators
- Any counselor working with children and/or adolescents

Benefits of Joining ACAC

In addition to benefits of ACA membership, ACAC provides members with

- ACAC electronic newsletter providing current information and support to members.
- ACAC website to provide networking opportunities and up-to-date activities of the organization and members.
- ACAC Member Blog providing the unique opportunity to consult with other members regarding challenges in practice.
- **Coming Soon!** ACAC's *Journal of Child & Adolescent Counseling* biannual journal.

Types of Membership - ACA membership required

Professional: Individuals who hold a master's degree or higher in counseling or a closely related field from a college or university accredited by the Council for Higher Education Accreditation.

Regular: Individual whose interests and activities are consistent with those of ACAC, but not qualified for Professional membership.

New Professional: A New Professional is someone who has graduated with a masters or a doctorate within the past 12 months. Status is good for one year.

Student: Individuals who are enrolled at least half-time in a college or university program.

Retired: Members who are retired from the counseling profession and have been active ACA members for the past 5 consecutive years.

Visit us at <http://acachild.com>

JOIN NOW

Online counseling.org
Phone 703-823-9800 x222
800-347-6647 x222
M-F, 8 am – 6 pm, ET

Mail Application and payment to:
American Counseling Association
Attn: Accounting
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There shall be no discrimination against any individual on the basis of ethnic group, race, religion, gender, sexual orientation, age, and/or disability.

ACAC and ACA Membership Application 2015–2016

Applicant Information *(Fill out if paying by check or money order)*

If ACA Member, please provide your membership number _____
Full Legal Name _____
Mailing Address _____
City _____ State/Province _____ Zip _____
Country _____
Organization _____
Work Ph _____ Home Ph _____ Cell Ph _____
Fax _____ Email _____

ACAC/ACA Membership Dues: Membership in ACA means that you will abide by ACA's Bylaws and other governing documents and are qualified for the membership category selected. By becoming an ACA member, you are agreeing to be subject to the rules and regulations of the ACA Code of Ethics which can include appropriate sanctions up to suspension or expulsion from ACA and public notice about any such action. The ACA Code of Ethics is available at counseling.org

Membership Desired

Joining ACAC and ACA: Select your member category below, complete the application and fax or mail it to the American Counseling Association or join online at counseling.org.

ACA Members: Division dues are prorated to coincide with your ACA membership expiration date. To add a Division to your ACA membership, log on to counseling.org with your username and password and select "Add a Division," or contact the ACA Member Information Specialist at 800-347-6647 x222, M–F, 8 am – 6 pm, ET.

Joining ACAC and ACA, check one

	ACAC	ACA	Total
<input type="checkbox"/> Professional	\$55.00 +	\$168.00 =	\$223.00
<input type="checkbox"/> Regular	\$55.00 +	\$168.00 =	\$223.00
<input type="checkbox"/> New Professional*	\$35.00 +	\$96.00 =	\$131.00
<input type="checkbox"/> Student*	\$35.00 +	\$96.00 =	\$131.00

If you are currently a member of ACA and adding ACAC as a division, please call ACA Member Information Specialist at 800-347-6647 x222 to have ACAC dues pro-rated to correspond to the expiration date of your ACA membership.

***New Professionals** please indicate date of graduation (month/year) _____/_____/_____ and institution _____.

***Students** please indicate expected date of graduation (month/year) _____/_____/_____ and institution _____.

Journal print fee *(optional)*

All ACA members receive electronic access to the *Journal of Counseling & Development (JCD)*, which includes the full digital archive going back to 1921(1). To receive a print copy of the journal, please add an annual \$35 fee to the total amount due. All members should update their email address in the space provided above, regardless of how you wish to receive your ACA journal.

Journal of Counseling & Development (JCD) \$35

Payment Method

Check or money order, payable to ACA in U.S. funds.

AMOUNT ENCLOSED \$ _____

Credit Card Payments: To join using a debit/credit card, please log on to counseling.org/membership to pay online, or contact your ACA Member Information Specialists at 800-347-6647 x222, M–F, 8 am – 6 pm, ET, to pay by phone.

Three-month Payment Plan Option (by phone using a Debit/Credit Card Only) A \$2 processing fee will be charged on both the 2nd & 3rd installments. To sign up for the payment plan, please contact your ACA Member Information Specialists at 800-347-6647 x222, M–F, 8 am – 6 pm, ET.

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