

## **Membership Benefits**

### **Member benefits, both tangible and intangible, include:**

- ✓ Being part of a supportive network for nurses interested in the I/DD nursing specialty.
- ✓ Participating in zone and state level meetings to help determine the direction of the association.
- ✓ Promoting I/DD nursing as a specialty.
- ✓ Increasing public awareness of I/DD nursing.
- ✓ Voting in association elections.
- ✓ Association website with interactive forum: [www.nysmrddna.org](http://www.nysmrddna.org)

### **Receive:**

- ✓ Three issues of the **MR/DD Nurses Association Newsletter** and other informative mailings.
- ✓ Complimentary copy of the Membership Directory upon request
- ✓ Reduced registration fee for members at the annual state conference.
- ✓ Ongoing meetings, educational programs and networking opportunities.

As a member, you have the opportunity to participate in the development, planning and execution of both zone and statewide meetings, educational programs and other activities.

### **Gain experience and leadership skills by:**

- ✓ Writing for publication in the newsletter.
- ✓ Planning a zone or state level meeting and/or educational program.
- ✓ Holding a zone or state level elected or appointed office.
- ✓ Serving on a state level committee or executive board.

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# NYS MRIDD Nurses Association



The NYS MR/DD Nurses Association is a state level 'not-for-profit' organization. It was established in 1984 and incorporated in 1990. The association's primary purpose is to promote the professional development of nurses interested in individuals who are intellectually and/or developmentally disabled. Association goals include: educational opportunities, information sharing through networking with nurses across the state, and research.

The elected offices of the association include that of president, president elect, recording secretary, corresponding secretary and treasurer. An election of officers occurs annually along with a statewide conference and membership meeting.

The association established zones (see zone map) to facilitate and encourage local participation. Each zone determines its own structure based on the needs and interests of members. Zones elect officers or chairpersons, and appoint representatives to the association's executive board. They conduct meetings and educational programs for professional development and to foster networking among I/DD nurses. A portion of each member's annual dues is returned to zones to help fund activities.

The association's executive board consists of the elected officers, standing committee chairpersons, zone presidents/chairpersons, zone treasurers and zone representatives. The executive board addresses the regular business of the association and meets at least two times per year.

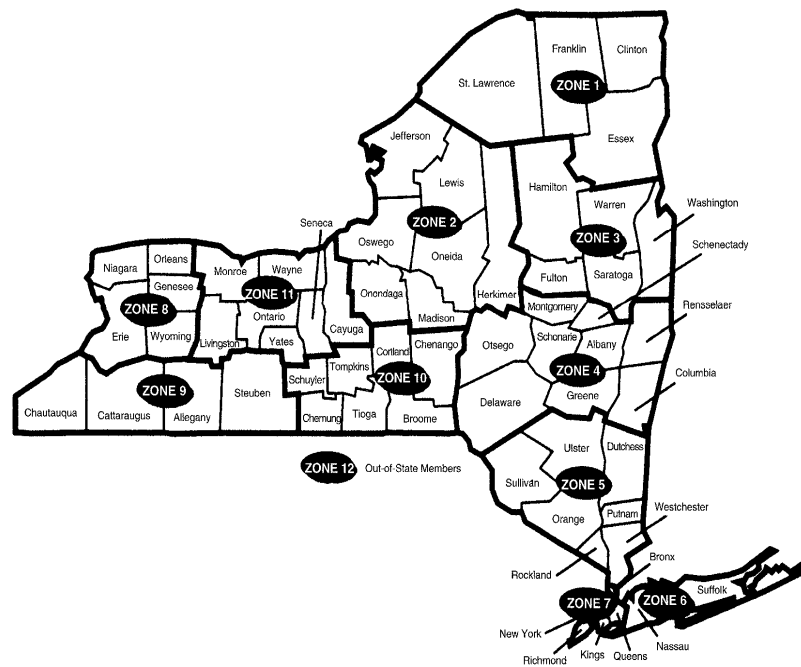
The standing committees of the association include: nominating, educational program development, newsletter, and membership committees. A special committee is convened every five years to review the bylaws. A website committee is responsible for developing and maintaining a web site that is the informational source in NYS on I/DD nursing.

~ Established in 1984 ~

# Association Membership

Full membership is open to all registered professional and licensed practical nurses. Associate, non-voting membership is open to full time RN or LPN students who are not employed and inactive nurses (retired or unemployed). Members come from all corners of the state and a variety of settings within the I/DD specialty including:

*Community Residences ~ Intermediate Care Facilities ~ IRAs  
Day Treatment ~ Day Habilitation ~ Workshops ~ Family Care  
Private Clinics ~ School Nursing ~ Camp Nursing ~ Educational Settings ~ Quality Assurance ~ Staff Development ~ Infection Control Administration ~ Research*



## ANNUAL MEMBERSHIP FEE: (April 1 – March 31)

**\$40 (Full Membership) \$15 (Associate Membership\*)**

\* Associate members are full time RN or LPN students who are not employed and inactive nurses (retired or unemployed). Associate members are non-voting.



# Membership Form

Check all that apply:

New Member  Renewing Member  Associate Member  
 Personal Membership  Agency Sponsored Membership

Name \_\_\_\_\_

RN  LPN  RN Student  LPN Student  
 Zone Transfer (requesting transfer from zone \_\_\_ to zone \_\_\_)

License Number \_\_\_\_\_

Home Address \_\_\_\_\_

City, State, Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Home Telephone \_\_\_\_\_

Agency Name \_\_\_\_\_

Work Address \_\_\_\_\_

City, State, Zip \_\_\_\_\_

County \_\_\_\_\_

Email \_\_\_\_\_

Work Telephone \_\_\_\_\_

School Attending (associate members only) \_\_\_\_\_

Send all mailings to:  Home  Work

Mail this form with your check or money order, payable to NYS MR/DD Nurses Association, Inc., to the Association office at  
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Questions? Call 315-379-0619 or email at rr@northnet.org.