# **IRPMA Membership Application Procedure**

I. Basis: IRPMA Article<sup>1</sup>.

# II. Membership application procedure:

- (I) Download application form:
  - 1. Application form for individual member
  - 2. Application form for corporate member
- (II) Complete the application form and provide the following documents:
  - 1. A photocopy of the license issued by the Ministry of Economic Affairs;
  - 2. A photocopy of the Business Registration Certificate;
  - 3. Company brochure.
- (III) Please send the completed application form and all required documents to: IRPMA, 9F-8, 188, Nan-King E. Rd., Sec.5, Taipei
- (IV) Upon the receipt of the application, the IRPMA Secretariat will carry out a preliminary check before forwarding the application to the Board of Directors and Supervisors for discussion and approval in the board meeting of the following month.
- (V) The Assessment

Assessment criteria are as stipulated in Article 7 (1) and (2) of Chapter 2 of the IRPMA Article.

- 1. Individual member: Any person who endorses the purposes of the Association, and is aged twenty (20) or older and predominantly engaged in the business of research, manufacturing, marketing, distribution, market research and clinical research of innovative (or research-based) pharmaceuticals may apply for membership in the Association and shall become an individual member of the Association upon the approval by the Board of Directors.
- 2. Corporate member: Any company or organization which endorses the purposes of the Association, and is predominantly engaged in the business of research, manufacturing, marketing and distribution of innovative (or research-based) pharmaceuticals may qualify for membership in the Association and shall become a corporate

member of the Association upon the approval by the Board of Directors.

(VI) Successful applicants will receive a notice from the IRPMA Secretariat along with an information pack, including a receipt of the entrance fees, IRPMA Article and the organization chart, a list of all directors and supervisors, an introduction of all committees, a list of all members, and a nomination form of company representatives / committee representatives.

# (VII) Membership fees

1. Entrance fees

(1) Individual member: NTD100,000

(2) Corporate member: NTD100,000

2. Annual dues:

(1) Individual member: NTD84,000

(2) Corporate member: Annual dues are charged based on the corporate member's annual sales in Taiwan in the previous year according to the data published by the IMS.<sup>2</sup>

Shall there be any queries about the applicable tariff of annual dues, corporate members may submit supporting documents and appeal to the IRPMA. The Finance Director will adjudicate the appeal.

# Payment methods:

(1) Deposit into bank account (please include bank charges):

Account Name: IRPMA

Account Number: 5241-01-25878-0-00

Chang Hwa Bank

Hsi-Sung Branch

171, Sec. 5, Nan-king E. Rd., Taipei

(2) Send a non-negotiable check made payable to IRPMA by registered mail:

Please make the check payable to: IRPMA

Address: 9F-8, 188, Nan-King E. Rd., Sec.5, Taipei City

- (VIII)After making the payment, please confirm the payment details with the IRPMA Secretariat by telephone or email.
- (IX) The application procedure is completed.
- (X) Submit the name list of company representatives and committee representatives.

# III. The application procedure is completed.

Note 1:

#### **IRPMA Article**

### **CHAPTER 2. MEMBERSHIP**

## Article 7

Members of the Association are divided into the following types:

- (1) Individual Members: Any person who endorses the purposes of the Association, and is aged twenty (20) or older and predominantly engaged in the business of research, manufacturing, marketing, distribution, market research and clinical research of innovative (or research-based) pharmaceuticals may apply for membership in the Association and shall become an individual member of the Association upon the approval by the Board of Directors.
- (2) Corporate Members: Any company or organization which endorses the purposes of the Association, and is predominantly engaged in the business of research, manufacturing, marketing and distribution of innovative (or research-based) pharmaceuticals may qualify for membership in the Association and shall become a corporate member of the Association upon the approval by the Board of Directors. The number of representative(s) from each corporate member is determined based on the ranking of annual dues paid.

Here are the eight rankings:

Rank 1 - one representative;

Rank 2 - two representatives;

Rank 3 - three representatives:

Rank 4 - four representatives;

Rank 5 - five representatives;

Rank 6 - five representatives;

Rank 7 - five representatives;

Rank 8 - five representatives;

The maximum number of representatives is five.

- (3) Honorary Members: Any person who is determined by the Board of Directors as having made a special contribution to the industry or having retired after at least ten (10) years of active service in the industry may become an honorary member of the Association; provided that the duration of such membership shall not exceed the current term of the Board of Directors.
- (4) Associate Members: Any person or organization that endorses the purposes of the Association, makes contribution to the Association and is aged twenty (20) or older may, at the decision of the Board of Directors become an associate member of the Association. The membership of an associate member is honorary, and the duration of such membership shall not exceed the current term of the Board of Directors.

#### **Article 8**

The Association may, upon the approval of the Board of Directors, issue warnings or declare suspension of rights to any member (including a representative of a member) who violates any applicable laws and regulations, or who fails to act in compliance with resolutions of the Meeting of the General Assembly. The Association may, upon the approval of the General Assembly, dismiss a member from the Association if the member's violation or non-compliance is gravely detrimental to the rights and interests of the Association.

## **Article 9**

- (1) All applicants for membership shall fill out an application form and shall lodge the same with the Association. The Board of Directors shall have the sole discretion to accept or reject any application by a majority of votes of those present.
- (2) The Board of Directors shall keep a Register of Members of the Association and shall enter therein the following particulars:
  - 1. the name and address of each member; and
  - 2. the name of the person appointed by a corporate member to attend and vote at the meetings of the Association on its behalf.

### Article 10

A member may withdraw his/her membership by submitting a written notice to the Association stating the reason for the withdrawal and effective date thereof.

## **Article 11**

No fees and dues shall be refunded to members who have withdrawn or been expelled from the Association.

### Article 12

- 1. Members (including individual members and representatives of corporate members) shall have the right to vote, elect, and to be elected and recalled. Each members or its representatives shall be entitled to one vote only. Honorary Members and Associate Members shall not be entitled to vote, elect, or to be elected or recalled.
- 2. Only the individual members himself/ herself are entitled to participate in the various functional sub-committees of the Association.

## **Article 13**

All members shall abide by these Articles of Association, comply with the resolutions of the Association, and pay membership dues.

Note 2:

# IRPMA Article

## **CHAPTER 5. EXPENSES AND ACCOUNTING**

### Article 32

The Association shall have the funding sources described below:

(1) Entrance Fees:

No individual shall become an <u>individual member</u> of the Association unless and until he or she has paid <u>NT\$ 100,000</u> in entrance fees to the Association, and no company or organization shall become a <u>corporate member</u> of the Association unless and until it has paid <u>NT\$ 100,000</u> in entrance fees to the Association.

(2) Annual Dues:

<u>Individual members</u> shall pay annual dues of <u>NT\$ 84,000</u>. <u>Based on the annual sales of the previous year according to IMS Taiwan, the corporate dues are as below:</u>

Sales Annual Dues

1.	Under NT\$ 100 million NT\$ 84,000	
2.	NT\$ 100 (inclusive) to 200 million	NT\$ 168,000
3.	NT\$ 200 (inclusive) to 300 million	NT\$ 280,000
4.	NT\$ 300 (inclusive) to 400 million	NT\$ 392,000
5.	NT\$ 400 (inclusive) to 500 million	NT\$ 504,000
6.	NT\$ 500 (inclusive) to 600 million	NT\$ 616,000
7.	NT\$ 600 (inclusive) to 700 million	NT\$ 728,000
8.	NT\$ 700 (inclusive) to 3,000 million	NT\$ 840,000
9.	NT\$ 3,000 (inclusive) to 5,000 million	NT\$ 1,000,000
10	Over NT\$ 5 000 million (inclusive)	NT\$ 1 200 000