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**Phone** – speak to our membership team at 416-441-0788 ext. 4224 or toll-free at 1-877-341-0788.

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Membership fees are effective from January 1 – December 31, 2010; renewal is not automatic. Professional Liability insurance may be purchased at the same time as you pay your membership fee.

## Early Bird Bonus

If OPA receives your membership fee payment on or before December 21, 2009, you will receive a complementary online subscription to RxFiles, an academic detailing program which provides objective, comparative drug information to pharmacists. The subscription includes newsletter reviews, trial summaries, Q&As, and updated drug comparison charts.

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# OPA MEMBERSHIP 2010

## JOIN OPA AND SAVE

Benefit	Member Rate	Non-member Rate	Savings
Conference 2010 registration	\$450	\$550	\$100
OPA continuing education programs	Varies	Varies	Savings depend on the session/program attended.
Insurance savings (Home and Auto, Basic Group Plan)	Member rates	N/A	Insurance savings can easily amount to more than the cost of a full membership.
Pharmacist's Letter	Included	\$132	\$132
RxFiles (early bird offer)	Included	\$30	\$30
Natural Medicines Comprehensive Database	\$93	\$131	\$38
Medical Letter	Special offer	\$98	20% - 40% discount available.
GoodLife Fitness discount	\$390	\$931.35	\$541.35
Enterprise Rent-A-Car discount	Included	N/A	At least 10% off regular rates.
Royal LePage Real Estate saving program	Included	N/A	10% of the buying or selling agent's commission as applicable.
Bell Mobility savings	Included	N/A	25% off all accessories; plan savings will vary.
Attraction tickets/special offers	Special offers included	N/A	Up to 40% off admission.

For more information about member benefits, contact OPA's Membership Department at 416-441-0788 ext. 4224 or visit [www.opatoday.com](http://www.opatoday.com).

## ABOUT THE ONTARIO PHARMACISTS' ASSOCIATION

The Ontario Pharmacists' Association (OPA) represents the views and interests of more than 11,000 pharmacists and pharmacists-in-training across the province. OPA members benefit from access to first-rate insurance programs, continuing education discounts, news and information, networking opportunities and more. But it is our ability to present a strong, united voice to government and other industry stakeholders that sets OPA apart.

## WHY YOU SHOULD BECOME AN OPA MEMBER

### Advocacy

Our ability to present a powerful, united voice to government and other stakeholders is what makes OPA unique. We work exclusively on your behalf, advocating:

- for the advancement of pharmacy practice in all environments;
- for the financial viability and sustainability of pharmacy practice;
- with government and other industry stakeholders in support of the role of the pharmacist in health care delivery;
- with third party payors on matters impacting pharmacy operations and compensation.

### Awareness

We strive to keep our members current on the latest developments affecting the profession – from events to late-breaking industry news. Members receive:

- access to the Members' Hotline which provides a direct link to OPA on professional practice and advocacy issues;
- email bulletins which provide immediate updates on important news and information;
- exclusive access to OPA's member website.

### Collaboration

OPA creates strategic alliances with various stakeholders in support of the role of the pharmacist. We:

- represent the profession on public health and safety issues (e.g. H1N1 awareness and antiviral distribution to patients);
- promote the delivery of seamless care by linking hospital and community pharmacists;
- support the pharmacists role in primary care and family health teams;
- provide opportunities for pharmacists to share information, ideas and interests.

## MEMBER BENEFITS

### Insurance

- Professional Liability insurance that is Ontario College of Pharmacists (OCP) compliant – OPA will inform OCP about your insured status
- A range of insurance programs including: home and auto, health and dental, life and disability, store and more.
- Non-commissioned insurance staff to support you.

### Continuing Education

- Access to top-quality continuing education and certificate programs – designed by pharmacists for pharmacists.
- Special rates for members to attend any education program or conference organized by OPA (live or online).
- Free webinars.

## MEMBERSHIP OPTIONS

No matter which stage you're at in your pharmacy career, or what your practice environment, there's an OPA membership category designed to fit your needs.

### Full Member

Full membership is ideal for licensed, practicing pharmacists who are in good standing with the Ontario College of Pharmacists and who reside in the province of Ontario. Membership includes the full range of benefits as well as voting privileges.

### Spousal Member

A great option when two full member pharmacists are residing in the same household. The spousal member receives full benefits and voting privileges, but OPA saves on mailing and administrative costs by sending just one set of information to the member pair.

### Hospital Pharmacist Member

This membership is an option for pharmacists who work full time in a hospital environment. It comes with all of the benefits of full membership but without voting privileges.

### Networking Opportunities

- OPA's annual conference
- District meetings

### Subscriptions

- The Ontario Pharmacist magazine
- Pharmacist's Letter
- Medical Letter (special offer)
- RxFiles (early bird bonus)

### Special Offers

- GoodLife Fitness Centres
- Bell Mobility
- Enterprise Rent-A-Car
- Royal LePage Real Estate savings programs
- Group mortgage assistance
- attractions - e.g. Ontario Science Centre, Wonderland, Ontario Place

### Student Member

For students registered in a pharmacy program at any educational institution. Proof of enrollment is required. This option is also available to interns, or those registered as students with OCP. It comes with all of the benefits of full membership but without voting privileges.

### Supporting Member

Supporting membership is open to pharmacists 65 years of age or older as of December 31, 2009; or who are fully disabled (as defined by OPA's insurance program); or with a Canadian license living outside of Ontario; or no longer licensed to practice in any jurisdiction\*. Supporting membership comes with all the benefits of membership but without voting privileges.

For more information on membership categories and member benefits, visit [www.opatoday.com](http://www.opatoday.com).

\* Subject to approval; pharmacists whose licences have been revoked do not qualify.