

# Kentucky Medical Association

## Membership FAQs

### How do I join the Kentucky Medical Association?

Simply complete the membership application on the [KMA website](#). The information submitted in the application will be shared with the appropriate county medical society. Upon approval, you will receive a dues statement by mail. Your membership is effective once KMA receives your dues payment. If you prefer to apply and pay by phone, please contact the KMA membership department at 502-426-6200.

Louisville physicians should join through the [Greater Louisville Medical Society](#).

### How much are dues?

**Active:** \$530 plus applicable county dues

**First Year in Practice:** \$265 plus applicable county dues

**Second Year in Practice:** \$398 plus applicable county dues

**Resident:** One-time fee of \$25 plus applicable county dues

**Student:** All medical students in Kentucky are automatically granted dues-exempt membership.

**Retired:** A discounted rate of \$100 plus applicable county dues is available for Inactive membership. Contact the KMA membership department to inquire about eligibility.

### County Dues:

Boyd	\$100	Harrison	\$5
Boyle	\$35	Hopkins	\$10
Calloway	\$70	Madison	\$60
Clark	\$10	McCracken	\$100
Daviess	\$50	Northern KY (Boone, Campbell, Kenton)	\$225
Hardin/Larue	\$100	Whitley	\$35

The [Lexington Medical Society](#) (Fayette County) and the [Greater Louisville Medical Society](#) (Jefferson County) have varying dues amounts based on membership category. All other counties not listed either collect their own dues or do not have county dues. Contact KMA for more information.

### Can I be a KMA member but not a member of my county medical society or vice versa?

KMA and your county society are unified, and you must be a member of one to join the other. KMA works alongside its county medical societies to accomplish results at the grassroots level. Below are links to some of the county societies. Please contact KMA for information on other counties.

[Greater Louisville Medical Society](#)  
[Lexington Medical Society](#)

[Northern Kentucky Medical Society](#)  
[Daviess County Medical Society](#)

### When does my membership expire?

All memberships are based on a calendar year with dues expiring on December 31. Contact the KMA membership department for questions related to dues billing or to check your current membership status.

## Can I pay my dues online?

First-time applicants must pay by mail or by phone. Current KMA members can pay dues online by logging on to the [Member Center](#) with the Member ID and Password noted on your dues statement and selecting the “Pay Online” option.

## Are my KMA dues tax deductible?

Medical association dues may be partially deductible as a business expense for federal income tax purposes, but are not deductible as a charitable contribution. For 2020, 14% of your KMA membership dues are not deductible because of lobbying activities on behalf of KMA members.

## Are donations to the Kentucky Foundation for Medical Care and the KMA Legal Trust Fund required?

Donations to the Kentucky Foundation for Medical Care (KFMC) and the KMA Legal Trust Fund are highly encouraged but not required. KMA works in conjunction with KFMC and the KMA Legal Trust Fund on a number of issues important to physicians and patients. Visit [Kentucky Foundation for Medical Care](#) or [KMA Legal Trust Fund](#) to learn more.

## How can I update my contact information?

You can update your contact information by logging on to the [Member Center](#) with the Member ID and Password noted on your dues statement and selecting “Person Record Detail.” You can also contact the KMA membership department at 502-426-6200 or [member@kyma.org](mailto:member@kyma.org).

## What are the benefits of membership?

Advocacy is one of the most important functions of the KMA. As the only statewide association representing all physicians of every specialty and practice type, KMA’s advocacy gives you a voice in the Kentucky General Assembly. KMA also offers award-winning education programs and provides physicians with relevant Kentucky medical policy, news, and updates. Review the list of [KMA benefits and services](#) including information on how to save 15% on medical professional liability insurance.

## Do I need to complete an application every year to maintain my KMA membership?

No, we will automatically send you a dues renewal statement each year. Resident members who complete their residency will automatically be rolled to the next membership category and receive a dues statement for the upcoming year.

## How can I get involved in KMA?

KMA offers many ways for physicians to get involved in organized medicine and serve their communities. From serving on a commission or committee to engaging legislators in Frankfort, there is truly an opportunity for all members to make a difference for physicians and patients in the Commonwealth. Contact [member@kyma.org](mailto:member@kyma.org) for more information.