



OVERVIEW

As part of the Society of Critical Care Medicine's (SCCM) mission of securing the highest-quality care for all critically ill and injured patients, SCCM offers current students Professional Membership at no cost if they are a part of an accredited or recognized critical care fellowship program.

SPONSORED FELLOWS BENEFITS

Members of SCCM's Sponsored Fellows Program enjoy a wide array of benefits, including discounts of up to 25% on SCCM educational programs and resources, subscription to [Critical Connections](#), membership in up to three [specialty sections](#), opportunity to join a [local chapter](#) at no additional cost, volunteer opportunities in the [Creative Community in Critical Care](#), eligibility to apply for grants and preferred awards, and much more. View [full details of membership benefits](#).

Sponsored fellows enjoy Professional member benefits, except for making motions, voting, and holding office. Sponsored fellows do not receive the *Critical Care Medicine* journal.

SPONSORED FELLOWS PROGRAMS

United States

- Physician fellowship training programs must be approved by the [Accreditation Council for Graduate Medical Education](#).
- Master of science in nursing programs or doctor of nursing practice programs focused in critical care must be approved by [the American Association of Colleges of Nursing](#) or [the American Nurses Credentialing Center](#).
- Pharmacist in critical care residency or fellowship training programs must be approved by the [American Society of Health-System Pharmacists](#).
- Physician assistant critical care fellowship training programs must be approved by the [Association of Postgraduate PA Programs](#).

All physician assistant and nurse practitioner programs are encouraged to apply regardless of accreditation status. SCCM will handle these applications and approvals on a case-by-case basis.

Outside the United States

Critical care-focused fellowship training programs outside the United States must be approved individually based on local accreditation standards in their country.

Please contact the Sponsored Fellows Program at sponsoredmembership@sccm.org for more information or questions.



PROGRAM DIRECTOR REQUIREMENTS

Program directors must maintain an SCCM membership level of Professional or above or the trainee program will be closed by SCCM. Sponsored fellows who were on the roster of a closed program will no longer receive complimentary membership.

SPONSORED FELLOWS PROGRAM ANNUAL MAINTENANCE

SCCM Annual Audit

Each year on April 1, SCCM will perform an audit of the program. Enrolled programs that do not meet the outlined criteria will be closed and program directors will need to reapply. Additionally, programs that have no trainees listed on the roster will be closed.

Annual Roster Update

To accurately maintain SCCM's records, **program directors or program coordinators must annually review and update the Sponsored Fellows roster by July 31 each year.**

Every trainee on the roster must be reviewed to ensure an up-to-date listing. Within the [Sponsored Fellows Program Portal](#), the following actions are available:

- Edit trainee Information
- Renew student
- Mark trainee as having successfully completed program
- Remove trainee from roster for reasons other than successful completion of program
- Add new trainee

SPONSORED FELLOWS COMMUNICATIONS

SCCM periodically provides program directors and program coordinators updates on the Sponsored Fellows criteria and reminders regarding program maintenance. Program director contact information should be kept up to date in the portal and within their MySCCM.org account.

Trainees will receive membership cards each year. A valid mailing address is required for the trainee to obtain the card. SCCM periodically provides trainees updates on educational courses, publications, products, and other critical care news via email. For this reason, the trainee's preferred email address should be maintained.