

Coalition to Improve Diagnosis

An Initiative of the Society to Improve Diagnosis in Medicine

Application for Membership

_____ recognizes that improving the diagnostic process—including addressing problems in diagnostic accuracy and timeliness—can improve and save lives. Diagnostic error causes significant harm to patients and costs the healthcare system billions of dollars. We are committed to improving diagnostic accuracy and timeliness and reducing diagnostic errors. We support the efforts of the Coalition to Improve Diagnosis and their associated ACT for Better Diagnosis Campaign and would like to be an active member of the Coalition.

We understand that membership is limited to those organizations who are taking action to reduce diagnostic error. Coalition member organizations can represent clinicians and other healthcare professionals, patients and families, employers, consumer advocates, and other relevant organizations that agree to the following:

- Accept the Coalition's "Shared Principles" statement.
- Approve the use of their organization's name on Coalition materials (advance review is always provided) including the Coalition and Society to Improve Diagnosis in Medicine (SIDM) website and in other marketing materials about the Coalition and the ACT for Better Diagnosis Campaign.
- Support the work of the Coalition on all of its collective actions in whatever way is appropriate for the member organization.
- Commit to engage their organization in ongoing individual meaningful action toward reducing the harm of diagnostic error and improving diagnostic accuracy and timeliness.

We further understand that:

- The Coalition is a program of SIDM.
- The Coalition includes an Advisory Committee made up of diverse and representative members of the Coalition that counsels the SIDM Board of Directors on Coalition activities and strategy.
- Members of the Coalition will abide by the [conflict of interest policy](#) established by SIDM.
- General Coalition affiliation as members, federal liaisons/observers or commercial supporters, is open to all organizations that share the Coalition's mission and as approved by the Coalition Advisory Committee.
- Coalition members will be listed on the SIDM and ACT for Better Diagnosis Campaign materials and websites.
- There are currently no financial costs to belong to the Coalition; however, each organization will bear its own costs for participation in the Coalition and for its own initiatives that fulfill its commitment.
- Member attendance at Coalition events—such as an annual meeting held in conjunction with the Diagnostic Error in Medicine conference—is strongly encouraged.
- Organizations that fail to participate in Coalition activities or engage in efforts to reduce diagnostic error may be asked to leave the Coalition under the recommendation of the Advisory Committee and the determination of the SIDM Board of Directors.
- Members may withdraw at any time by providing written notice to the SIDM CEO.

We will, within a reasonable time, submit a meaningful action we will take to reduce diagnostic error or improve diagnostic performance.

With my signature, I certify that I am authorized to represent my organization in joining this Coalition and that we understand and will meet the responsibilities and requirements of membership.

Name

Organization Name

Title

Date



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