



# ISSCL

*International Society for  
Spinal CSF Leak*

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# Why a society?

- *Growing interest in the field has made it desirable to have a forum for physicians and healthcare professionals to disseminate knowledge and promote research*
- *A truly multidisciplinary forum is needed; many professional organizations currently dealing with spinal CSF leak are siloed by medical specialty*
- *Existing patient advocacy organizations have been very effective, but offer limited roles and opportunities for participation for the expanding number of healthcare professionals interested in being involved in the field*
- *Guidelines and best practices need to be adopted or supported by an authoritative body of experts in the field, a role that the society would fulfill*
- *Physicians new to this field need the opportunity to collaborate with and find mentorship from experienced physicians*

# Founders

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## NORTH CAROLINA Department of the Secretary of State

To all whom these presents shall come, Greetings:

I, ELAINE F. MARSHALL, Secretary of State of the State of North Carolina, do hereby certify the following and hereto attached to be a true copy of

ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION

OF

INTERNATIONAL SOCIETY FOR SPINAL CSF LEAK

the original of which was filed in this office on the 3rd day of June, 2024.



Scan to verify online.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed my official seal at the City of Raleigh, this 3rd day of June, 2024.

*Elaine F. Marshall*

Secretary of State

# Mission

*"To improve medical care for people with spinal CSF leak through education, coordination and dissemination of medical research, promotion of best medical practices, and by supporting/conducting educational and scientific meetings."*

# *What are our goals?*

- *Establishing an organizational structure for the society*
- *Recruiting new members*
- *Fundraising*
- *Creating an educational program including online and social media-based campaigns to promote best practices and share research developments to society members*
- *Organize and promote currently existing meetings addressing spinal CSF leak, working to drive attendance and prevent overlap of meetings*
- *Work toward an annual meeting for the society*

# How can I join?

*ISSCL.org*

## Qualifications:

- *Physician (MD, DO, MBBS, or equivalent)*
- *Advanced practice provider (NP or PA)*

The screenshot shows the ISSCL website's membership application page. At the top, there is a navigation bar with the ISSCL logo and links for HOME, MEMBERSHIP, EDUCATION, RESEARCH, and MEETINGS. The main heading is "Join the ISSCL". Below this, the page is divided into two columns. The left column, titled "Applications", contains text explaining that all applications are reviewed by the Membership Committee and lists the current dues: Senior Member (\$300/year), Member (\$200/year), and Member in training (No charge). It also states that applicants should submit their application on the right. The right column, titled "Apply Now", contains a series of input fields: Title, Full Name\*, Nominals (e.g. MD, MBBS), Specialty, Institution\*, Email\*, How long have you been caring for patients with spinal CSF leak, and Type of Membership applied for (Member, Senior Member, In-Training Member\*). A chat icon is visible in the bottom right corner.

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## Join the ISSCL

### Applications

All applications for membership received by the Society shall be reviewed by the Membership Committee to determine eligibility as listed in the criteria above. Upon confirmation of eligibility and receipt of membership dues, applicants will be accepted as Members.

Dues are currently as stated:  
Senior Member: \$300 / year  
Member: \$200 / year  
Member in training: No charge

If you would like to be considered for membership, please submit your application on the right:

### Apply Now

Title

Full Name\*

Nominals (e.g. MD, MBBS)

Specialty

Institution\*

Email\*

How long have you been caring for patients with spinal CSF leak

Type of Membership applied for (Member, Senior Member, In-Training Member\*)

# How can I get involved?

- Membership committee - decide on requirements for voting member status (aka senior members), help recruit members, and collect membership dues
- Rules committee - drafting of bylaws and establishing rules for the regular function of the society
- Meeting committee - help promote meetings that are sponsored by the society, coordinate meetings to avoid conflicting meeting dates, and eventually (once funding permits) organize our own annual meeting
- Research & education committee - issue periodic (updates to members about new important literature in the CSF leak field
- Website and social media committee - help develop our website ([ISSCL.org](https://ISSCL.org)) and run our social media platform
  - X: @issclsociety
  - Bluesky: @issclsociety.bsky.social
- Philanthropy committee - help solicit charitable donations to the society



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Join our mission to improve care for those affected by spinal CSF leak

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