

**COA USPHS  
Membership Dues Rates  
(July 1-June 30)**

Active Duty – Grade 03 & below - \$85.00

Active Duty – Grade 04 & above - \$140.00

Inactive Reserve - \$85.00

Retired – Grade 03 & below (any age), or age 65  
& above - \$85.00

Retired – Grade 04 & above and age 64 & under  
- \$140.00

Former Commissioned Officer - \$55.00

Associate/Civilian - \$55.00

Co-Step/Student - \$30.00

Lifetime Membership –Details available at:

[www.coausphs.org/members/LifetimeMembership.cfm](http://www.coausphs.org/members/LifetimeMembership.cfm)

Local Branch Dues (if applicable)

To join, visit [www.coausphs.org](http://www.coausphs.org),  
“*Become a Member*” today!

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COA’s website, [www.coausphs.org](http://www.coausphs.org)

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COA is a vibrant, proactive, internationally-recognized, member-based organization that supports and advocates for the United States Public Health Service (USPHS) Commissioned Corps and its active, inactive, and retired officers.

### MISSION

COA's mission is to improve and protect the public health of the United States (U.S.) by advocating for the USPHS Commissioned Corps and its officers.

### MEMBERSHIP

- Membership is open to all active, inactive reserve, retired, and former USPHS Commissioned Corps officers, and students in the field of public health.
- Convenient payment options for dues
- Life membership is available.
- Join a local COA branch.

### BENEFITS OF MEMBERSHIP

With over 90 local branches, COA plays a vital role in addressing the needs of its members both within the U.S. and globally. COA serves as a legislative advocate, a media consultant, and a career development specialist to its members by providing:

- ◆ Representation and advocacy
- ◆ Education and training for health professionals
- ◆ Studies and research

- ◆ Collaboration with related organizations
- ◆ Dissemination of public and professional information

### SPECIFIC BENEFITS:

- **Annual USPHS Scientific and Training Symposium**

Participants from around the country and the globe combine business and pleasure by enjoying camaraderie in formal and informal sessions in the discussion of scientific information and health-related issues. Reduced registration fees are offered for all members, and scholarships are available for junior officers. The Symposium is sponsored by COA's sister organization, the Commissioned Officers Foundation for the Advancement of Public Health (COF).

- **Capitol Hill Representation**

COA efforts on Capitol Hill continually support all Commissioned Corps officers – active, inactive reserve, and retired.

- **Car Rental Discount - Avis & Budget**

Members enjoy discount rates on Avis and Budget rentals through the COA *Members Only* website.

- **Communications - Frontline**

*Frontline*, COA's award-winning publication, provides timely reports on activities and items of interest to COA members about the USPHS and the Association.

- **Financial Services – Pentagon Federal Credit Union**

PenFed is an on-line credit union providing full service to members worldwide. Visit the COA *Members Only* website to join today!

- **Insurance Programs - AGIA**

COA offers members low-cost insurance programs such as Group Term Life, Long-Term Disability, In-Hospital Cash Plan, and Accidental Death & Dismemberment. With the exception of Long-term Disability, all can be continued after leaving the PHS with currency in COA membership.

- **Local Representation**

COA Branches generate new venues for meeting fellow officers within your local area while providing a forum for the discussion of concerns within the Commissioned Corps.

- **Public Health Reports**

COA members receive a free subscription to the *Public Health Reports*, available at the COA *Members Only* website.

- **Ribbon**

The COA ribbon is authorized to be worn on the PHS uniform by members in good standing when attending COA functions.

- **Scholarship/Fellowship Program**

COF offers college scholarships for children and spouses of COA members. In addition, the Foundation Fellowship provides funds for eligible officers attending advanced and continuing education which are part of its special educational offerings.

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