

National Association for Proton Therapy

THE VALUE OF MEMBERSHIP

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The National Association for Proton Therapy (NAPT) is the gateway connecting a dynamic community of clinicians, administrators, and innovators in the field of proton therapy. As the unified voice of the proton industry, NAPT works to improve patient access and advance the use of proton therapy as a life-saving cancer treatment.

NAPT membership opens doors and provides access to a wealth of benefits and resources to drive advancements in the field. Together, we strive to revolutionize cancer treatment and improve patient outcomes.

Driving Education & Awareness:

NAPT provides members opportunities to broaden their knowledge, share insights, and stay at the forefront of this rapidly evolving field. Members are alerted to the latest research, innovation, and developments in insurance and Medicare coverage and reimbursement changes through NAPT newsletters, emails, and an educational repository of information shared via the secure member section of our website. NAPT also brings members together to lend their voices to help raise awareness about the clinical benefits of proton therapy among patients, providers, the media, and policymakers.

Connecting Our Community:

NAPT provides a wide array of opportunities to forge collaborations and connect with the leading minds in the field of proton therapy today – physicians, physicists, therapists, clinicians, billing specialists, and administrators alike. Members enjoy discounts and special opportunities at the National Proton Conference and share knowledge, experiences, and best practices via NAPT events, workgroup sessions, and committee meetings to continually advance the field and improve patient outcomes.

Pinpointing Industry Trends & Insights:

NAPT is uniquely connected to the pulse of the industry through our annual member survey that explores the most recent data on proton therapy in practice. This detailed report is exclusively for NAPT members to help drive decision-making. Highlights from the member survey are shared with policymakers, other health professionals, and the media to inform on the latest trends and industry challenges – promoting vital discussions that influence enhanced patient care.



Advancing Advocacy and Policy Support:

NAPT provides expert advocacy and unparalleled representation on behalf of members to advocate for patient choice and access to affordable proton therapy. By engaging with policymakers, NAPT lobbies to ensure members have input into legislation and regulation impacting the industry to ensure proton therapy is broadly recognized as a high value treatment with proper reimbursement. NAPT also engages with payers to align policy guidelines with the latest clinical evidence and regularly monitors clinical practice guidelines, such as the ASTRO Model Policy and NCCN recommendations, to ensure they reflect the most recent research, thereby ensuring patient access to proton therapy.

Promoting Research and Innovation:

NAPT supports cooperative research to advance the appropriate and cost-effective utilization of proton therapy. Research and technological advancements play a crucial role in shaping the future of cancer care and improving treatment outcomes for patients. To support this core mission, NAPT developed the Health Economic Research Initiative (HERI) to fund research studying the economic value of proton therapy to payers and patients. NAPT awarded a \$100,000 grant to a pair of innovative studies to compare the cost-effectiveness and treatment efficacy of proton vs photon radiation – a final report on the findings will be available in late 2024.

Join the NAPT community today and contribute to the advancement of cancer care. Whether you're a medical center delivering precision treatment, a health system in development, a provider caring for patients, or a vendor supporting innovation, together we can shape the future of proton therapy.

OUR MISSION:

NAPT WORKS COLLABORATIVELY TO:



Educate and raise awareness of the clinical benefits of proton therapy among patients, providers, clinicians, payers, policymakers, and other stakeholders.



Ensure patient choice and access to affordable proton therapy.



Encourage cooperative research and innovation to advance the appropriate and cost-effective utilization of proton therapy.

The National Association for Proton Therapy (NAPT) is a non-profit organization established in 1990 to ensure patient access to proton therapy and raise awareness about its clinical benefits. NAPT's supporting members include 48 of the nation's leading cancer centers, a number of whom are National Cancer Institute-designated comprehensive cancer centers and National Comprehensive Care Network (NCCN) members.

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