

#### **OVERVIEW:**

The Louisiana Oncology Society (LOS) is one of 24 state chapters that are members and collaborate with both the Association of Cancer Care Centers (ACCC) and ASCO's State/Regional Affiliate Program.

The State Societies are all individually incorporated and operate as their own entities with a governing Board of Directors and Executive Committee. Corporate Members of each State Society receive valuable, state-specific resources to help them stay ahead of the shifting healthcare landscape and the challenges that directly impact the high-quality care their patients deserve.

As a Corporate Member of LOS, your company will be recognized as a leader in oncology and cancer care delivery. Corporate membership entitles your company to numerous value-added benefits within the state(s) where your company holds active membership throughout the year, such as a guaranteed tabletop and registrations to LOS events with display.

## **MEMBERSHIP JOIN & RENEWAL TERMS:**

Program benefits run for a full calendar year, 12 months, from January 1 – December 31. The membership renewal period for current Corporate Members in good standing takes place between September 1 and December 31 each year.

New Corporate Members may start on any date. LOS recommends that new companies join within the fourth quarter of the calendar year to coincide with the standard renewal window for all current members.

If joining or renewing mid-year, membership fees are due in full at the time of activating the membership via submitting the appropriate documentation. Membership fees will not be pro-rated, and member benefits will not be retroactively fulfilled if missed due to the timing of membership activation.

For a corporate membership to be considered active, fully executed membership documentation must be on file with Corporate Development, and full payment must be received no later than the date specified in the payment policy. Without the appropriate documentation and payment, LOS will not deliver membership benefits.

Corporate membership with LOS and the benefits of the program are unique to each company and are non-transferable to any other company. In cases of mergers and acquisitions, membership may not be transferable depending on the industry consolidation. LOS reserves the right to make this decision on a case-by-case basis.

#### **APPROPRIATE DOCUMENTATION:**



We recognize that our industry partners must adhere to specific internal documentation policies and procedures for compliance purposes. Submission in the society's membership portal is necessary to join/renew. We will also accept company LOA's or Grants Portal submissions to execute corporate membership agreements so long as the details align with the State Society's Terms & Conditions. Our Membership Portal includes a Letter of Request, a copy of the current Membership Benefits and Cost, and the LOS W9. Proof of bank account statements, form 990s, and other documentation needs your company might have, can be requested by emailing <a href="mailto:CorporateRelations@accc-cancer.org">CorporateRelations@accc-cancer.org</a>.

## **MEMBERSHIP PAYMENT, CANCELLATION & REFUND POLICY:**

LOS accepts payment by check, ACH, and credit card. For all credit card payments, a 3% processing fee will be imposed. The State Society will invoice corporate members upon request once membership status is confirmed and prefers receiving payment within sixty (60) days of the invoice date. The deadline for full payments to be received is May 31. LOS must be notified in writing about any requests for extensions. These will be handled on a case-by-case basis. No extensions will be granted beyond May 31. If joining or renewing after May 31, full payment for the corporate membership will be expected within thirty (30) days of the invoice date. Non-payment by the deadline date will result in immediate termination of corporate membership benefits.

LOS must be notified in writing if cancellation occurs; the society will handle any cancellation requests case-by-case. When determining the appropriate course of action, the State Society will base its decision on the reason for cancellation and nature of the request, the date of cancellation and determination of any membership benefits that may have already been delivered.

### **CORPORATE MEMBERSHIP BENEFITS:**

Corporate Member benefits do not roll over or accumulate and must be used within the intended calendar year membership is active. LOS reserves the right, in its sole discretion, to change the terms under which corporate membership is offered. The most current version of the terms will supersede all previous versions. The State Society encourages its industry partners to periodically review the terms on the website to stay informed of updates.

## PRIMARY STATE SOCIETY POINTS OF CONTACT:

The State Society requires at least one (1) Primary Contact on file with Corporate Relations for all companies who hold active membership. Corporate member companies consent to receive electronic communications from LOS and ACCC, which is our main form of communication. As such, we need to ensure the Primary Contact(s) have whitelisted us and can successfully receive our communications. Companies who may hold active membership with multiple State Societies within the ACCC network and who have multiple regional points of contact are encouraged to submit a roster to Corporate Relations



containing the person's full name, mobile number, email address and the state(s) they are responsible for so we can keep our records accurate on your behalf.

#### **EVENT ATTENDANCE & REGISTRATIONS:**

Attendance and exhibit table display opportunities at LOS conferences and events are not guaranteed if Corporate Membership is secured **less than 60 days prior** to the event. Registration benefits and quantity allotments provided to Corporate Members of each state are determined based on membership level selected.

Registrations are assigned to one individual only for the event and are non-transferrable. The exchanging of name badges between company individuals is not permitted at any state society event, and a company's total allotment of registrations is determined by the membership level. Additional registrations beyond those allotted with your membership are not available.

Medical Science Liaisons (MSLs) and the equivalent are important members of our industry community; however, to support our policy on corporate and commercial influence and to maintain the accreditation firewall for the many State Society events that are accredited and offer continuing education to certified individuals, **any** attendee that works for an Industry company must register as an Industry Attendee using one of the allotted registrations included in their company's membership or exhibit. Only Industry attendees from Corporate Member companies or accepted Non-Member Exhibitors are permitted to register and attend our events. Any Industry attendees that register for events and are not using one of their company's allotted registrations will be voided.

Industry attendees of our events are *not* guaranteed rooms in our discounted room block (where applicable). Room blocks are limited and available on a first-come, first-served basis. Event registration is required *prior* to reserving space within our discounted block. To assist registration numbers, priority status is given to Healthcare Providers and Fellows for any event. Alternative accommodation options will be provided upon request.

#### **EVENT CONDUCT:**

LOS expects all attendees to display professional and respectful behavior. Any attendees found to display otherwise will be asked to leave the venue immediately. All infractions will be reported to the company's Primary Contact(s). Repeated infractions may result in the company's ability to participate in future events.

## **CORPORATE & COMMERCIAL INFLUENCE:**

LOS maintains a strict policy of independence from corporate and commercial influences, such as those related to specific companies, products, and/or services. The Board of Directors strictly enforces this policy. Participation in the Corporate Membership program does not influence the State Society's policies,



positions, or endeavors. All submitted content is subject to review and approval. All meetings produced by the State Society are subject to change, and Corporate Membership does not provide any conditions of purchase, use, or recommendation of products associated with the membership.

# **USE OF LOGO & APPROVED IMAGES:**

Corporate Member companies grant LOS permission to use its name, brand, and/or logo on the website, on event signage and in any materials related to the delivery of member benefits.

For more information about these terms and conditions, please contact Corporate Relations by emailing <a href="mailto:CorporateRelations@accc-cancer.org">CorporateRelations@accc-cancer.org</a>.