

CPTC Network Membership

The CPTC Network defines membership at 3 levels:

- Guests/ Participants
- Regular member
- Regular member offering genetic counselling and testing

For the CPTC Network a member is a natural person and not an institution.

Guest: anyone who is interested in the CPTC Network's activities; he can participate in the open part of the SAKK Network meetings at HJV. He has no voting rights.

Regular members: professionals in the field of the Network's activities; they have voting rights, can participate at all CPTC Network meetings and can be president of the Network.

Regular members offering genetic counselling and ordering testing: regular members who are allowed to charge services for counselling related to genetic (germline) testing to the mandatory health care insurance in Switzerland (OKP).¹

They are

- Specialists FMH (or equivalent) for Medical Genetics (Facharzt medizinische Genetik/ médecin spécialisé en génétique medical)
or
- Members of the CPTC Network who meet requirements as listed in application below.

Representatives of for-profit companies developing and/or marketing genetic tests are not allowed as regular members. However, representatives of private hospitals are allowed.

To keep their status, all regular members have to participate at least to 2 SAKK Network meetings within 2 years. If they fail to do so, they lose their voting rights, until the attendance to the SAKK Network meetings has been resumed.

APPLICATION

Applications for membership are made by email with the president of the CPTC Network (currently Dr. med Sheila Unger - Sheila.Unger@chuv.ch) and Dr. Martina Schneider from SAKK CC - Martina.Schneider@sakk.ch.

The application must contain a CV with professional address, education, training and main publications. The applicant discloses information of employment and other participation to professional societies related to the Network's activities.

If the applicant is not a Specialist FMH for Medical Genetics, but would like to offer genetic counselling and testing, these additional requirements must be met and included with the application:

- Collaboration with a Specialist FMH for Medical Genetics (email documentation accepted)
- Attendance of an SAKK approved course in the fields of genetic testing and counselling or equivalent training
- Participation in at least 2 CPTC Network meetings in the next 2 years

The president of the Network will forward the request via an appointed representative of the SAKK CC to the SAKK president for approval, rejection or postponement if additional information is needed.

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Dr. med Sheila Unger and Dr. Martina Schneider

¹ SR. 832.112.31 Krankenpflege-Leistungsverordnung / Ordonnance sur les prestations de l'assurance des soins of 29 September 1995, Art. 12 d para.1 lit.f