

## AONL Membership Access for Research Participation (Electronic Access)

Access to the AONL membership for research participation is available for the purpose of academic and practice research that conforms to generally accepted norms and standards for survey research and informs health care leadership, workforce or health services.

Access to membership for the purpose of research recruitment of participation may be obtained by:

1. **Mailing list rental** (physical mailing addresses only; please contact Kip Karwoski at [kkarwoski@aha.org](mailto:kkarwoski@aha.org) for details) or
2. **Electronically requesting research participation** using the following agreement form.

### Placement

Requests for research participation will appear for 90 days or until data collection closes (whichever comes first).

- A designated section of the AONL website and
- AONL Working for You e-newsletter
- AONL members may additionally post electronically on the AONL Leader2Leader Online Member Community discussion board. The post is one time only and the post must be clearly labelled as "REQUEST FOR RESEARCH PARTICIPATION" and must prominently include the following statements: "This research project is not under the control of, nor operated, supported or endorsed by, AONL. The research project is the sole and exclusive responsibility of the researcher and/or educational institution or other organization with which the researcher is associated." The description of the research project is the responsibility of the researcher and must include an active URL directing participants to the survey and/or research home page.

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AONL Members: \$250

Nonmembers: \$500

### Terms

1. All requests must be accompanied by an executive summary of the research proposal and a copy of the survey/questionnaire. The request also must be accompanied by a signed and dated warranty that appropriate IRB approval has been obtained for the research project that includes informed consent for participants, as well as a signed and dated release from liability for AONL, its employees and agents and its parent company from any and all liabilities, claims, causes of action, losses and damages to persons and property, including expenses and attorneys' fees, caused by, arising out of, or that result, directly or indirectly, from the research or the researcher's conduct or performance of the research. AONL will endeavor to respond to a request within 14 business days after receiving all required documents. Any rejection shall specifically state the reason(s). Negotiations for any proposed revisions for membership access can be made between the parties; however, it is understood that AONL has final authority to approve or reject the request.
2. AONL will accept requests only for research purposes deemed appropriate to health care leadership, workforce or health services, and that are not in conflict with the AONL's mission, goals and activities including with the mission, goals and activities of AONL's affiliates (collectively, the "Organization's Goals"). AONL has the sole and exclusive right to determine whether the research is deemed to be consistent with this purpose and not in conflict with the Organization's Goals and shall, at its sole discretion, reject any request that it has so deemed inappropriate or inconsistent and AONL's determination shall be the final word about that determination.

3. The researcher is responsible for providing language describing the research project and requesting research participation and an active URL directing participants to the survey and/or research home page. Neither the research description, nor the URL survey or the research home page shall reference AONL, make use of its name or logo or otherwise suggest that AONL is involved with, or has approved, endorsed or is otherwise responsible for the research.
4. AONL will endeavor to publish the request for research participation at the first opportunity after the receipt of the request with all required documentation and payment of fees.
5. *Approved requests are published on a first-come, first-served basis. AONL has the right to limit the number of approved requests at any one time.*
6. AONL will not provide refunds for early withdrawal of requests for research participation or any lack of participation by the targeted participant audience.
7. Agreement will be in effect upon the date of signature of the researcher and the warranties and representations related to IRB approval and the release and indemnification provisions shall survive indefinitely.

### **Warranty and Representation Related to IRB Approval of Research Project**

Researcher warrants and represents that IRB approval has been obtained for the research project and such approval is current and continues throughout the life of the research project until the project is fully complete. Researcher further warrants and represents that Researcher will conduct the research project strictly in accordance with the project plan and design as approved by the IRB.

### **Release from Liability and Indemnification**

The researcher assumes the entire responsibility for the research project, including without limitation for the project design, implementation, outcomes, IRB process, participant involvement, and other aspects of performance thereunder and indemnifies, defends and holds harmless AONL, its parent and its other affiliates, and its and their officers and directors, employees, representatives and agents (collectively, the "Indemnified Parties") all, from and against any and all claims, causes of action, losses, injuries to persons or property, and damages, including without limitation expenses and attorneys' fees (collectively, "Losses"), arising out of or relating to (a) a breach of the above warranties and representations, (b) the research project, and/or (c) the researcher's conduct or performance relating to the research project. Researcher further waives, releases and forever discharges the Indemnified Parties for any and all Losses which Researcher may now have or which may hereafter accrue arising out of or relating to the actions or omissions of the Indemnified Parties relative to the research project, including without limitation any any AONL communication or advertisement concerning the research project or other means AONL might make available opportunities for its members to be participants in the research project.

### **Other**

This agreement supersedes all prior agreements, oral or written, and constitutes the entire understanding among both parties. The laws of the State of Illinois shall govern this agreement. Any disputes relating to this agreement shall be adjudicated in state or federal courts sitting in Cook County, Illinois.

### Agreement

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties have executed this AGREEMENT by and between the American Organization for Nursing Leadership (AONL), a subsidiary of the American Hospital Association (AHA), an Illinois not-for-profit corporation with principal offices at 155 North Wacker, Chicago, IL 60606.

<b>Researcher</b>	
<b>Affiliated Institution</b>	
<b>Primary Contact</b>	
<b>Address</b>	
<b>City   State   Zip</b>	
<b>Phone</b>	
<b>Email</b>	

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**AONL Office Use:**  
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Once the required documents are received and the study is approved by AONL, the primary contact will receive an email message with an invoice and payment link. When the payment is processed, the research will be posted to the AONL website and newsletter.

**Include with completed form:**

- Executive summary of research proposal
- Copy of survey
- Warranty of IRB approval
- Release from liability for AONL
- Language for publication, including URL (up to 75 words)

Researcher	
<b>Signature</b>	<b>Date</b>
<b>Type Name</b>	

AONL Representative	
<b>Signature</b>	<b>Date</b>
<b>Type Name</b>	