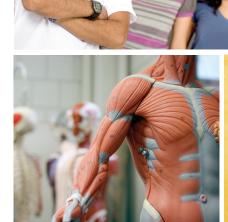


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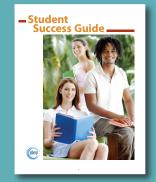
ABMPstudent membership

# Congratulations

on choosing a career in massage and bodywork! Massage and bodywork have never been more popular and the profession continues to gain widespread acceptance as people learn more about the benefits of touch.

As you start your training program, you're probably a little overwhelmed—new friends, anatomy and physiology, handson work, and so much more. Here's some help to get you off to a great start: Student membership from Associated Bodywork & Massage Professionals (ABMP), the largest organization serving the massage and bodywork profession.

Student membership combines the protection of liability insurance, outstanding academic resources, business development tools, and the many benefits of belonging to an organization with 79,000+ members, all for the low membership fee of \$45.



The Student Success Guide uses goal-setting exercises, charts, graphic organizers, and personal assessments to help you learn the skills you'll need to achieve your academic goals.

The *Massage Year Planner* is a tool to coordinate your schedule, plan assignments, arrange study sessions, and organize your life. Throughout the colorful pages, study plans, tips for success, and positive affirmations keep the process of staying organized fun.

As part of membership, students have access to a variety of online study tools that promote active learning. Download graphic organizers for note taking or use the anatomy and physiology flash cards for review before a test. Materials on how to write a research paper, links to massage research, as well as resume and cover letter samples will help you in more advanced stages of your training program.



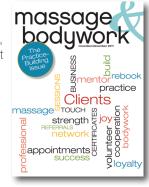
All ABMP members receive a wide variety of benefits, including practice-building tools offered through our print publications and online services. Web-based tools include a free website, email account, client forms, and customizable brochures and newsletters, as well as webinars for students and professionals. Additional benefits include

valuable discounts on business cards, legal services, tax services, wireless services, and more.

Knead to Know quarterly newsletter is written just for students. Read it for great tips and insights on making the most of your massage school experience.

Massage & Bodywork, ABMP's flagship publication, is a bimonthly magazine that links you to the massage profession, presenting topics that illuminate trends in massage. Use it—in print or online via www. abmp.com—to learn about massage techniques, business informat





business information, and career ideas.

And ABMP's liability insurance—the best value in the profession. Comprehensive occurrence-form coverage protects you from liability claims in and out of the classroom for all school-sanctioned activities. Our coverage is per member, per year, not a shared aggregate like other associations offer.

#### Why do students need insurance? How does it cover me?

Liability insurance protects you from any incidents or claims that may occur as a result of your massage work. Though not frequent, ABMP Student members have experienced insurance claims from massage given in the classroom as a part of their training, as well as from massage they have given in the school's student clinic.

ABMP's occurrence-form coverage provides the highest aggregate coverages available—\$2 million per incident, \$6 million total per policy year. As an ABMP member, these are YOUR limits—not shared with other practitioners.

#### My school says I am already insured. Why should I join?

Be sure to check with your school that YOU are protected. Many times schools believe their students are covered by their school insurance policy, when in fact they are not. For example, ABMP School membership insurance does not cover students—only the school itself. So be sure you're protected.

#### How long does my Student membership last?

Student membership is for 12 months or until you complete your training, whichever comes first. The insurance included with ABMP Student membership will not cover you if you are practicing for compensation or if you are practicing without a state license if one is required in your state.

#### What happens when my Student membership expires?

If you are still in school, you can renew your ABMP Student membership. If you are going to be finishing school and are ready to practice, you are ready to upgrade to one of our membership levels for practicing professionals.

## In my state, I need to provide proof of insurance in order to get my license. Can I upgrade my membership?

Yes. If you are in any of the following states — Alabama, Colorado, Indiana, Massachusetts, Missouri, South Dakota, Wisconsin then you must show proof of liability insurance in order to get a license to practice. You can upgrade your membership when you finish school in order to receive your license to practice.

# In my state, I am allowed to practice as long as it is not for compensation. Can I upgrade my membership?

If your state allows therapists to practice without a license if performing massage for no compensation, then you can upgrade your membership. Your insurance will not be in effect if you are found to be practicing for compensation.

# free mail

ABMP is the only massage organization offering its members unlimited website pages with hosting and email accounts totally free of charge. By setting up your professional website and email account as a student, you'll have two useful tools to help you prepare for becoming a professional therapist. Once you've joined ABMP, simply log in to the ABMP.com Members section, and follow the prompts to "create a website" and "set up an email account." For both your website and email (active for the duration of your ABMP membership), you can choose your username and domain. For example, your website could be www.denver.massagetherapy.com and your email denver@massagetherapy.com.

The ABMP Website Builder is extremely user-friendly and provides starter pages and content so that you can build a professional website in just minutes. We've included features specifically to help students preparing to become professionals:

• Haven't chosen a business name yet, and you don't want to be locked into a website address? No problem! You can change your website address/URL at any time without losing content or design.

• Want to build your site, but you don't want it live on the Internet yet? No worries! The ABMP Website Builder allows



you to make pages "invisible" while you're working on them. Just set up a "coming soon" note on your homepage while you craft your interior.

Make the most of your membership by establishing your free website and email account as soon as you join.



### Associated Bodywork & Massage Professionals Student Membership Application

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on	Legal Name	. <u>e</u>	<u>Student Membership</u>
personal information	Address	payment membership	Up to 12 months in school <i>or</i> until \$ <u>45</u> completion of training, whichever comes first.
	City		Membership is renewable, provided you remain in school and are not practicing for compensation. The Student insurance does not cover you if you practice for compensation, or after you have completed your training.
	State Zip		<b>Processing</b> (subject to application being complete) After your membership is processed, your certificate of insurance will be available online in your www.abmp. com account and you will have access to exclusive member benefits. <b>Please provide your email</b> <b>address so we can email you confirmation</b> <b>that your application has been processed.</b>
	Home Phone ( )		
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	Date of Birth $\{month}$ / $\{day}$ / $\{year}$ Gender $\Box$ M $\Box$ F		You'll also receive a membership packet by mail. TOTAL \$45
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	Phone ( )		ABMP Student members are eligible for a special first-year rate after completion of training—\$150 for Practitioner or Professional membership, \$180 for Certified membership.
	My program includes training for hot stone massage/therapies.	agreement	Membership terms: Your signature is required. Faxed, computer scanned signatures, and/or electronic acknowledgements are considered legal and binding.
	Length of Course hours		I understand that membership fees paid by me to ABMP are nonrefundable, nontransferable, and will not be prorated.
	Start Date / /		I have completed the ABMP membership application honestly and accurately. I understand that ABMP members are required to maintain the highest standards of professional conduct and strictly adhere to the ABMP Code of Ethics. As a condition for my membership in ABMP and for receiving insurance coverage, I represent and warrant that (1) no malpractice or negligence allegation has ever been asserted against me, nor has there ever been any event or indication suggesting a claim may be made or that my care caused harm; (2) I have never been convicted of any violation of law other than a minor traffic offense; (3) no agency or association has investigated or taken any other action against me or my license. I understand that the insurance coverage provided to me through my ABMP membership is subject to all terms, conditions, and exclusions contained in the insurance policy, the language of which is completely controlling as to all matters relating to my coverage. I further understand that the insurance coverage will rely on the information that I have provided in this application. Failure to pay any dues/premiums and/or false statements or representations made in this application or subsequent communications shall void this application, terminate membership, and render my insurance coverage void.
	Expected Graduation Date /		
	ABMP student membership liability insurance provides coverage only while you are enrolled in school. The insurance does not cover you if you practice for compensation, or when you have completed your training.		
	Referral Credit School/ABMP member ID #		
	Credit given to student's school upon student upgrade to a Certified, Professional, or Practitioner level of membership.		
	On occasion, ABMP rents its mailing list to qualified vendors who are interested in promoting their products and services to members. If you do not wish to receive these offers, please check here. $\Box$		
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