

## Membership Gives You: Information

### Website -[www.imhca.org](http://www.imhca.org)

- Members ONLY section with job listings.
- Calendar and workshop offerings.
- Licensure test preparation information.
- Directory of links to state and national counseling organizations, legislative information and licensure/regulation.
- Frequently asked questions and answers.

### Newsletters

- IMHCA publishes the *News Update* bi-monthly.
- In addition, you will receive the ICA Newsletter and the ICA Journal.

### Professional Networking

- As an IMHCA member, you are joining a multi-disciplinary association of professional mental health counselors, students and others interested in the human services field.

### Phone Help

- IMHCA's Executive Director is available full-time at our toll-free number (800)493-4424 to answer questions about licensure.

## Advocacy

### Legislation Advocacy

- IMHCA is committed to the active promotion of members' interests and concerns in the Illinois State Legislature, as well as in the parent organizations, ICA and AMHCA.

### Professional Regulation

- IMHCA serves as the advocate for counselors to the Illinois Department of Professional Regulation on licensure issues.

### Licensure Advocacy

- IMHCA spearheaded the drive for counselor licensure and actively works on legislation that can affect and protect state counselor licensure.

### Managed Care Advocacy

- IMHCA's Managed Care Committee has established relationships with over 50 companies and developed the law that includes LCPCs for insurance reimbursement.

"The mission of IMHCA is to promote the professional well-being of mental health counselors in Illinois through advocacy, education, and support services, and thereby contribute to the good of society."

## Training

### Workshops

- IMHCA sponsors test preparation workshops for licensure of counselors and professional development workshops each year. Members receive a discount on registration fees.

### Annual Conferences

- IMHCA sponsors an annual conference which focuses on professional renewal and sharing with other counselors. ICA sponsors a conference in the fall. CEs are available.

### Awards

- IMHCA has twice received the American Mental Health Counselors Association's annual award for Outstanding State Chapter Service to Members for 1995 and 1999, and the Best State Chapter Project Award for 2003.

### Organizational Affiliations (since 1979)

- IMHCA is a division of the Illinois Counseling Association (ICA). Membership in ICA is a prerequisite to joining IMHCA.
- IMHCA is a charter member of the Coalition of Illinois Counselor Organizations (CICO), the political arm of counselors. Membership in CICO is included when you join IMHCA.
- IMHCA is a state chapter of the American Mental Health Counselors Association (AMHCA).

## Membership Application

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Mailing Address: \_\_\_\_\_  
 \_\_\_\_\_

City, State, Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Home Phone: (\_\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_

Home Address: \_\_\_\_\_  
 \_\_\_\_\_

City, State, Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Place of Employment: \_\_\_\_\_

Position: \_\_\_\_\_

Business Phone: (\_\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Degree: \_\_\_\_\_ Lic#: \_\_\_\_\_

### REQUIRED FOR STUDENTS

School Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Signature of Professor: \_\_\_\_\_

Signature of Student: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_.

### MEMBERSHIP PAYMENT OPTIONS

- Check enclosed payable to ICA
- Credit Card (Master Card, VISA, Discover)

Card Number \_\_\_\_\_ Expiration \_\_\_\_\_

V-Code\* \_\_\_\_\_ Signature \_\_\_\_\_  
 (\*MC/Visa/Discover: Last 3-Digit# on signature panel on back of card)  
 (\*American Express: 4-digit# above account # on face of card.)

Division	Professional	Student/Retired
<b>IMHCA</b>	<b>\$ 50</b>	<b>\$ 10/ \$ 25</b>
IAAC	\$ 12	\$ 6
IAADA	\$ 12	\$ 6
IACFC	\$ 12	\$ 3/ \$ 6
IAMC	\$ 5	\$ 2.50
IASGW	\$ 12	\$ 6
ICCA	\$ 15	\$ 7.50
ICDA	\$ 20	\$ 12
ICES	\$ 8	\$ 4
ISCA	\$ 25	\$ 12.50
ISERVIC	\$ 10	\$ 5
ICSJ	\$ 10	\$ 5
<b>ICA (required)</b>	<b>\$ 65</b>	<b>\$ 37.50</b>
Total Enclosed:		

**ICA Membership is Required for IMHCA Membership as IMHCA is a Division of ICA.**

#### MEMBERSHIP CATEGORY INFORMATION

- \***PROFESSIONAL** - meets professional requirements.
- \*\***STUDENT**- receives the same services as Professional members. Unable to vote or hold office. Discounted membership.
- \*\*\***RETIRED**- receives the same services as Professional members. Discounted membership.

#### ILLINOIS COUNSELING ASSOCIATION

##### DIVISIONS

IMHCA	Illinois Mental Health Counselors
IAAC	Assessment in Counseling
IAADA	Adult Development and Aging
IACFC	Couples and Family Counseling
IAMC	Multicultural Counseling
IASGW	Specialist in Group Work
ICCA	College Counseling
ICDA	Career Development
ICES	Counselor Educators and Supervisors
ISCA	School Counselors
ISERVIC	Spiritual, Ethical, Religious Values in Counseling
ICSJ	Counselors for Social Justice

#### EASY WAYS TO JOIN

- By Phone**  
 (Credit Card Only)  
 (800) 493-4424
- By Mail:**  
 This application & check payable to ICA  
 Membership Department  
 P.O. Box 706  
 DeKalb, IL 60115
- Online**  
[www.ilcounseling.org](http://www.ilcounseling.org)

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