

Frequently asked questions

Who can join?

Anyone who is Tangata Whenua can join Ngā Pou Mana as a member. This means you must whakapapa to the whenua of Aotearoa (Indigenous Māori of New Zealand).

How do I know if I'm considered to be allied health?

You can check out our list of professions/roles that are considered to be Tangata Whenua allied health [here](#)

Can I pay off my membership overtime?

Membership fees are set up to be paid annually as a one-off payment. Please get in touch via email admin@ngapoumana.org.nz if you are having any difficulty with payment and we will try to find an alternative solution.

Can I pay by bank transfer if I don't have a credit card?

Credit card is the preferred method of payment. Please get in touch via email admin@ngapoumana.org.nz if you cannot use a credit card and we will try to find an alternative solution.

If I am struggling to pay my membership fee, can I get any help?

Please get in touch via email admin@ngapoumana.org.nz if you are struggling with membership fees.

If I'm not a member, can I still apply for Scholarships?

During 2020, you will still be able to apply for Scholarships if you are not a paying member, however from 2021 you will have to be a paying member to be eligible for the Scholarships.

What do I get out of my membership?

Ngā Pou Mana members can get over \$4,000 worth of value from their membership each year by taking advantage of the following opportunities:

- Whanaungatanga - access to a network of Māori allied health kaimahi and students
- Scholarship awards - recognition of Māori allied health excellence
- Support - collective supervision, training, mentoring, job and research opportunities, tautoko grants
- Advocacy for culturally responsive, safe work and study environments
- Access to members only portal - current information, resources, news and research
- Discounted training and wānanga opportunities for cultural and professional development
- Ability to leverage off the collective voice of Māori allied health to influence change across health and workforce development systems

Can I get a refund if I change my mind?

If you change your mind about the membership, you are able to get a refund if you contact us within 14 days of becoming a member. After this period, we will not process refunds.

Can I get a discount if I sign my team/organisation up for membership?

At this stage there are no discounts for team or organisation sign ups. Each individual from the organisation will be charged as per our rates and fees:

- \$99 Students
- \$199 if earning below \$35,000 gross per annum
- \$299 if earning above \$35,000 gross per annum

However, there may be other benefits for your organisation like being able to promote your organisation, employment, or any news you would like advertised via our communications to the membership. You will also have access to Māori allied health expertise that you can take back to your organisation.