Title: Policy & Guideline 11: Membership categories policy

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Section 7 of the ADOHTA Ltd. Constitution defines a member. This policy defines the category of membership and the eligibility and member entitlements. The purpose of this policy is to define the eligibility of membership types of ADOHTA.

1. Full member

- a. Eligibility: Current registration as a Dental Hygienists, Dental Therapist and/or Oral health therapist with the Australian Health Practitioner Regulation Agency.
- b. Entitlements:
 - Voting member
 - Unrestricted access to all member benefits

2. Loyalty Full member

- a. Eligibility: Current registration as a Dental Hygienists, Dental Therapist and/or Oral health therapist with the Australian Health Practitioner Regulation Agency. To be eligible for this category you are required to have been a member for the last 3+ years of full continuous service. Fees are to be paid by 31 July each year to retain loyalty discount.
- b. Entitlements:
 - Voting member
 - Unrestricted access to all member benefits
 - Discounted member fees as determined by the Board of Directors

3. Life member

- a. Eligibility: Life Members may be appointed by the Board of Directors in recognition of individuals contribution to the Association, the Branches and the Oral Health Professions or for other reason deemed appropriate by the Board. Life members must have held membership of the Association at any point in time. A nomination by the individual or other must be submitted with supporting evidence for the Board. A vote of 50% or greater in support will pass the individual as an ADOHTA Life member.
- b. Entitlements:
 - Voting member
 - Unrestricted access to all member benefits
 - Member fees are waived

4. Graduate member

- a. Eligibility: Current registration as a Dental Hygienists, Dental Therapist and/or Oral health therapist with the Australian Health Practitioner Regulation Agency. To be eligible the person must have graduated from their initial training program [Bachelor of Oral Health or equivalent] in the last 6 months.
- b. Entitlements:
 - Voting member
 - Unrestricted access to all member benefits

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5. Student member

a. Eligibility: Currently enrolled in a training program in Australia for entry into the Dental Therapy, Dental Hygiene or Oral Health Therapist professions. Membership is free for the duration of their undergraduate degree [Bachelor of Oral Health or equivalent] and including up to 6 months following graduation up until the renewal period following their graduation. Students are required to enter their Student ID number and the Name of the University they are studying at for verification of eligibility.

b. Entitlements:

- Non-voting member
- Restricted access to member benefits as determined by the Board of Directors

6. Associate member

- a. Eligibility: An Associate member is an individual who is not eligible to be registered as a Dental Hygienists, Dental Therapist and/or Oral health therapist with the Australian Health Practitioner Regulation Agency. An Associate member may be engaged in the industry of dental and oral health but not working as a Dental or Oral Health Therapist or Hygienist Board Approval is Required.
- b. Entitlements:
 - Non-voting member
 - Restricted access to member benefits as determined by the Board of Directors

7. Legacy member

- a. Eligibility: A Legacy member is an individual who were formerly registered as a Dental Hygienists, Dental Therapist and/or Oral health therapist with the Australian Health Practitioner Regulation Agency. A Legacy member may have retired from their career or moved to a non-clinical role within or outside of the dental industry -Board Approval is Required.
- b. Entitlements:
 - Voting member
 - Unrestricted access to all member benefits