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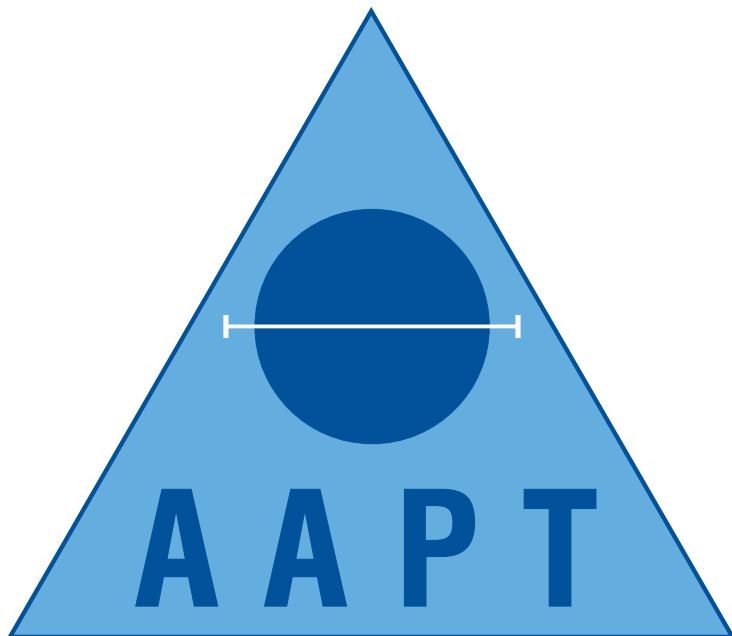
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Application Form for the AAPT

Level of Membership (Please tick as appropriate)

Application Type

New	<input type="checkbox"/>	Re-registration	<input type="checkbox"/>	Previous Membership No.	<input type="text"/>
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Fellow	<input type="checkbox"/>	Member	<input type="checkbox"/>	Student	<input type="checkbox"/>	Affiliate	<input type="checkbox"/>	Associate	<input type="checkbox"/>
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Personal Details

Surname	<input type="text"/>	Title: (Mr / Mrs / Miss / Ms)	<input type="text"/>	Date of Birth	<input type="text"/>
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Forname(s)	<input type="text"/>	Any Previous Names	<input type="text"/>
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Contact Details

Home Address	<input type="text"/>
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Town / City	<input type="text"/>	Postcode	<input type="text"/>
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Contact email	<input type="text"/>	Contact Telephone No.	<input type="text"/>
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Employer Name & Address	<input type="text"/>
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Town / City	<input type="text"/>	Postcode	<input type="text"/>
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Employer Telephone No.	<input type="text"/>	Fax	<input type="text"/>
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Professional Details

Employment Speciality

Paediatric	<input type="checkbox"/>	Medical	<input type="checkbox"/>	Fiscal / Coroner	<input type="checkbox"/>	Forensic	<input type="checkbox"/>	Locum	<input type="checkbox"/>
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Job Banding / Grade	<input type="text"/>	Training Responsibility? (Please Tick)	Yes	<input type="checkbox"/>	No	<input type="checkbox"/>
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Employment History

Date From	Date To	Employer	Job Grade
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Professional Qualifications - NB Photocopies must be included with your application

Date Awarded	Qualification	Awarding Body
<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
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Registrant Declaration

I, the undersigned, apply for membership of the Association of Anatomical Pathology Technology, I will abide by the Code of Conduct and declare that the foregoing statements are correct.

Signature _____ Date _____

Proposal from current AAPT member

(only applicable to Students, Associates and Affiliate applications, those applying for the Fellow or Member grades do not need a proposer)

Full name and membership number _____ Signature _____ Date _____

The AAPT: a recognised voice for mortuary staff across the UK and beyond

The Association of Anatomical Pathology Technology (AAPT) was formed in 2003.

Members of the AAPT are predominantly employed as Anatomical Pathology Technologists (APTs) in both hospital and public mortuaries: but we also welcome Mortuary Assistants, medical staff and other healthcare scientists.

The AAPT is committed to working with the appropriate authorities & organisations to help ensure, and improve, the professional, educational and practical standards for technologists across the United Kingdom and beyond.

Through the development of qualifications and best practice literature, the AAPT can set standards to ensure the dignity of deceased patients and relatives.

Code of Conduct

Members of the AAPT adhere to a professional Code of Conduct. They must:

- Uphold the dignity and reputation of the Association by applying the highest standards of conduct, honesty and integrity in their personal and professional behaviour
- Exercise their professional practice and skill, within the agreed and known limits of their professional knowledge with judgement and responsibility
- Maintain, develop and keep up to date their professional competence and skills.
- Observe the legal and ethical framework appropriate to their current and future roles
- Recognise the beliefs and values of the wider general public, the users of the service and professional colleagues, treating them on a fair and equitable basis
- Ensure their own beliefs and values do not prejudice or compromise their ability to carry out their professional roles and duties.
- Educate professional peers, colleagues and the wider general public about anatomical pathology technology and its practice
- Promote the study and activity of anatomical pathology by promotion of the values, aims and objectives of the Association of Anatomical Pathology Technology.

Influence

The Department of Health has approached the AAPT to comment on every major consultation document relating to death, bereavement, post mortem consent and emergency planning. The AAPT also has strong professional representation links with:

- The Royal College of Pathologists
- Institute of Biomedical Science

- Royal Society for Public Health
- Human Tissue Authority
- Academy for Healthcare Science
- Science Council
- Home Office
- and many other relevant stakeholders

This two-way communication with national organisations and government departments has given technologists a voice that had previously been unheard in the corridors of power.

Events

The major event of each year is the Annual Conference. This informative meeting provides a stimulating lecture programme with renowned speakers. It also allows the opportunity to socialise with other delegates and network with commercial partners. One day practical workshops on the taking of consent have been held in liaison with the Human Tissue Authority, the AAPT are also happy to bring such training locally into your workplace.

A growing regional network across the UK is allowing technologists to share knowledge at a local level. Groups have already been formed in London & the South East, the South West and Scotland.

CPD & Website

The AAPT website is an excellent resource tool for technologists, healthcare science colleagues and for those wishing to pursue a career as an APT. The site has a domain that is for members only, including a popular forum for the swapping of general and technical information and opinion. There is also a Facebook group for members only and a Twitter feed @AAPTtweets

A Learning Zone area features on-line learning known as Read, Test & Reflect (RTR), whereby members can test their knowledge on the most up-to-date articles and guideline documents relating to anatomical pathology technology.

It is the personal duty of any professional to keep their knowledge and skills up to date so that they remain competent to practise. The AAPT CPD scheme encourages APT staff to maintain, improve and extend their knowledge, skills and practice.

The Members Area also now includes an on-line CPD recording portfolio, with the ability to reflect upon each and every activity undertaken.

The scheme is a free to all members of the Association regardless of grade. For members who achieve a high standard of CPD activity, a special Award Certificate will be presented.

AAPT believe APTs should be regulated

The AAPT has been in regular communication with the Department of Health and other stakeholders and a path emerged for Anatomical Pathology Technologists to achieve statutory regulation.

Regulation via registration is extremely important as a tool for ensuring that the public receive excellent services provided by professionals who are held accountable for their actions. In this way the sole aim of any registration process is to provide protection for the public.

On September 1st the successful migration of voluntary registers from the Voluntary Registration Council (VRC) to the Academy for Healthcare Science (AHCS) took place.

To date there are 70+ APT's on the voluntary register held by the Academy of Healthcare Science.

The AAPT is also a Member Body of the Science Council and will be seeking to award Chartered Scientist, Registered Scientist and Registered Science Technician depending on job role, qualification and experience as an APT.

Becoming a Member

The membership grades are as follows and you must join at the grade that matches your job, qualifications and experience:

• Fellow

A Fellow of the AAPT will hold, as a minimum qualification, the RSPH Diploma or Level 4 Diploma **and** have four year's post qualification experience. The fee is £50 per annum, with the AAPT subscription running from 1st April to 31st March each year (half price from 1st September)

• Member

A Member of the AAPT will hold, as a minimum qualification, the RSPH Certificate or Level 3 Diploma in Anatomical Pathology Technology. This grade will also apply to those who have obtained the RSPH Diploma, but have less than four year's post-qualification experience. The fee is £40 per annum with the AAPT subscription running from 1st April to 31st March each year (half price from 1st September)

• Student

A Student member of the AAPT will be employed in a hospital or public mortuary as a trainee APT. The fee is £25 per annum with the AAPT subscription running from 1st April to 31st March each year (half price from 1st September)

Offer: Students on their first year of the Level 3 Diploma in Anatomical Pathology Technology can join for £10.00 in that year

• Associate

An Associate member of the AAPT will be working as a Mortuary Assistant or equivalent. The fee is £25 per annum with the AAPT subscription running from 1st April to 31st March each year (half price from 1st September)

• Affiliate

The grade of Affiliate is open to biomedical scientists, embalmers, pathologists, bereavement officers and other

healthcare science professionals who wish to be affiliated to the AAPT. The fee is £50 per annum, with the AAPT subscription running from 1st April to 31st March each year (half price from 1st September)

RSPH Level 3 Diploma Anatomical Pathology Technology – External Assessment

AAPT are always looking for keen Certificate & Diploma qualified APTs to train to become external assessors for the assessment of practical mortuary skills required by the RSPH Level 3 Diploma students.

External assessors are integral and invaluable to the process of seeing trainee APTs qualify to APT level.

Please note you do not need to be a mortuary manager / senior APT to be an external assessor, you just need to fit the criteria and be in a position to offer a commitment of 1 or 2 days per year to visit trainees to complete assessment in their workplace. You will also need excellent verbal and written communication skills to ensure completion of the associated RSPH assessment report documentation.



Ellen, trainee Anatomical Pathology Technologist:

"Every day as an APT is different and brings with it plenty of opportunity to learn new information and techniques.

Only 9 months into the role I booked myself a place to attend the AAPT conference in Cardiff and I was so delighted to be there. It is amazing to be a part of a community of APTs and related professionals, for the knowledge, shared experiences and support, not to mention adding to the betterment of the career itself.

In being a trainee APT I have found my forever job, the career I have always wanted, that fills me with pride to do and to tell anyone who will listen, about"



Alexandria, Anatomical Pathology Technologist:

"I joined AAPT upon recommendation via my training course and my eyes were opened into a whole new world of our profession.

Wanting to continually improve on a professional level and learn from others, in turn to improve the experience of bereaved relatives. We only have one chance to guide, support and care. I want to be the best I can and through the AAPT I gain so many ideas and support from other members.

I feel that the AAPT is like a big family and getting to know other members really makes it more personal, together we can really make a difference. With my membership I feel that I can grow further and avoid stagnating in my role, with regular events, website support and social media we are constantly making the Anatomical Pathology Technologist role more recognised.

If you are serious about your profession and really want to strive to develop on a personal and professional level, I couldn't recommend joining enough!