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To join **on-line** or to renew your membership **on-line** – visit [www.prisms.org](http://www.prisms.org)

To join or renew **by mail**, please complete and mail this 2017 membership form with your check.

Please indicate if this is a  **NEW** or  **RENEWING** membership. Thank you!

**MEMBER NAME(s):** \_\_\_\_\_

(Mr. / Mrs. / Ms. and first and last names of all joining)

**ADDRESS:** \_\_\_\_\_

**CITY:** \_\_\_\_\_ **STATE/PROVINCE:** \_\_\_\_\_ **ZIP:** \_\_\_\_\_

**COUNTRY:** \_\_\_\_\_ **EMAIL:** \_\_\_\_\_

**PRIMARY PHONE #(s):** \_\_\_\_\_

(Please specify type as Home, Cell, and / or Work)

**Parent-to-Parent Program & Volunteer status (optional):**

- I would like to be contacted by other families to provide support.  
 I would be interested in volunteer opportunities with PRISMS.

SMS PERSON'S FULL NAME: \_\_\_\_\_

DATE OF BIRTH (mm/dd/yyyy) : \_\_\_\_\_ GENDER (M/F): \_\_\_\_\_

RELATIONSHIP  
(to SMS person):  Parent  Relative  Professional  Grandparent  Other \_\_\_\_\_

### 2017 Annual Membership Payment Information (US\$)

- Your PRISMS membership is for the calendar year – **January thru December**. Thank you for joining us!
- \$35 - SMS Parent / Caregiver / Relative / Friend
- \$40 - International SMS Parent. Payment by credit card or international money order/cashier's check obtained at your local bank denominated in US dollars. Payment by check or draft in your local currency. Please contact your bank for the current foreign exchange rate or obtain a rate using [www.xe.com](http://www.xe.com).
- \$55 – Physician / Health or Other Professional
- \$55 - Other Organization (please specify) \_\_\_\_\_
- If you would like to join PRISMS but cannot afford membership, please make as generous a contribution as you can afford at this time and specify the amount in the box below. We will welcome you to PRISMS.
- Basic membership dues do not cover all PRISMS annual operating costs. Please consider making an additional contribution to support PRISMS programs and operations. Thank you!

**2017 Annual Membership Payment Information:** (Mail to: PO Box 206528, Dallas, TX 75320-6528)

**For your security - all credit card payments can be made on-line at - [www.prisms.org](http://www.prisms.org)**

Click on the **Membership** tab, and then the **"online!"** button to reach the application screen.

If paying by check, please return this form with your membership payment to the address above.

Enclosed is my: \_\_\_ Check Check # \_\_\_\_\_ Membership dues: \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Additional Contribution: \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Members name (print): \_\_\_\_\_ **date processed:** \_\_\_\_\_

*We appreciate your support and participation!*

All PRISMS contributions are tax deductible under 501(c)3 of the IRS Code, to the extent allowable by law.  
PRISMS keeps all information confidential and will not share or distribute personal information to anyone else without authorization.

New PRISMS members become part of a rapidly growing globally engaged organization with proactive members who share the same mission: "to provide information and support to SMS families, sponsoring research and fostering partnerships to raise awareness and understanding of SMS."

Membership is open to **all** interested in supporting and engaging with the SMS community. Our membership includes parents, siblings, grandparents, friends, educators, researchers, therapists, advocates and more! PRISMS membership is for the calendar year January-December.



### **6 REASONS WHY IT'S IMPORTANT TO BECOME A PRISMS MEMBER**

#### ***Meet new families that are just like you***

- Your Regional Representative will help you get in contact with other families in your area. He or she will also answer any questions you may have, and offer guidance and support.
- Many regions have informal family gatherings throughout the year. If we don't know who you are or how to contact you, you'll miss out on an important opportunity to find support and meet others in your unique situation.

#### ***Access to the International SMS Conference***

- As a member, you'll receive regular updates on the **PRISMS International "Building Bridges of Hope" Conference** directly to your email and a decreased registration fee for the event.

#### ***Foster research and scientific awareness***

- Becoming a member is critical to furthering research. Our membership list provides us with the latest number of cases of Smith-Magenis Syndrome. That number will give us an opportunity to accelerate research initiatives into Smith-Magenis Syndrome.
- As the go-to source of information about SMS for the scientific community, an updated membership list helps us to direct researchers to families interested in propelling research forward.
- With membership you gain access to research updates sent directly to your email, including information on the latest in SMS research following each SMS Research Symposium.

#### ***Make an impact on issues important to you***

- Having a clear picture of how many families are affected by SMS will help us to raise awareness of SMS and its related conditions among national and local lawmakers, federal agencies, and other non-profits in the special needs community.
- There's strength in numbers. It's important that we're able to show the impact of our community.
- An updated membership number will help us to gain support from additional donors and funders.

#### ***Join a growing international community***

- We encourage families, researchers, and educators around the world to become part of our organization. Membership is open to everyone.
- PRISMS has members from more than 10 countries.

#### ***Stay in touch with PRISMS***

- As a member you will receive quarterly Spectrum Journals via email with the latest news about families, research, and the organization.
- You'll also get the latest news and information from PRISMS emailed to you about critical topics such as our international conference, research studies or updates on key developments that affect your family.

***Won't you become a member today? We look forward to getting to know you and your family!***

Visit [www.prisms.org/us/how-to-help/become-a-member](http://www.prisms.org/us/how-to-help/become-a-member)

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