

WHAT DO I GET AS A MEMBER OF THE ISCP?

‘CHARTERED PHYSIOTHERAPIST’ TITLE USE OF THE TITLE “CHARTERED PHYSIOTHERAPIST”.

Only current members of the ISCP (or current members of CSP) can use the title ‘Chartered Physiotherapist’, use the letters MISCP, use the “Member of ISCP” logo, and benefit from ISCP communications promoting the profession. The title ‘Chartered’ has been proven in research to resonate with the public and can sway the decision of a member of the public toward choosing their therapist.

‘Another major benefit of the title ‘Chartered Physiotherapist’ is that Irish Health Insurance companies will only reimburse patients for their physiotherapy treatments when they have been provided by a ‘Chartered Physiotherapist’

INSURANCE PROTECTION FITNESS TO PRACTISE LEGAL DEFENCE INSURANCE POLICY

This provides all current practicing members with automatic access to a free legal defence insurance policy that provides up to €250,000 cover per individual claim (up to €500,000 per annum aggregate cover) for legal advice, support and representation and other associated costs for members from a specialist regulatory legal firm in the event of complaints being made against them to CORU.

Discounted Access to an excellent Professional Indemnity Insurance Scheme-

- €6.5 million Professional Indemnity Insurance cover at discounted rates (save 65%).
- Free practicing Professional Indemnity Insurance for services provided voluntarily.

PROFESSIONAL PRACTICE ADVICE AND SUPPORT

Exclusive professional advice and networks: Tailored advice and information to individual members regarding professional issues, professional practice, professional behaviour, duty of care, scope of practice, and roles and responsibilities. Through our Employment Groups and Interest Groups you can also access peer advice and experience.

PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT

Continuing Professional Development opportunities (CPD): CPD is the lifeblood of a vibrant professional practice. Your Society membership affords you access to a wide range of national, regional and online Professional Development Services and Supports.

Significantly discounted ISCP CPD activities and opportunities: This includes exclusive access to a range of member's only events and approximately 42% discount on non-member rates to attend Society-run CPD events (including the Annual Conference).

E learning Courses: Free access to Physiopedia Plus (PP+) online CPD. This resource allows you to accrue CPD points online at times that suit you best.

Online CPD portfolio: Your CPD portfolio is a valuable tool in proving your compliance with the regulator's requirements.

Bursaries/Research Funding: Up to €25,000 in bursaries is available annually to members via our Branches and Clinical Interest Groups.

PROFESSIONAL SPECIAL INTERESTS

When you join one or more of the 13 Interest Groups (IGs), 3 Employment Groups (EGs) you can learn from and support fellow professionals at all career stages. This opportunity is exclusively available to current members.

REGIONAL NETWORKING

Automatic free membership of your local Branch and access to its activities.

KEEPING YOU INFORMED

We strive to keep you informed about the latest physiotherapy and ISCP news, campaigns and developments. All members receive:

- Weekly e-zines.
- 4 First Hand newsletters a year.
- Physiotherapy Practice and Research Journal twice yearly.
- Exclusive access to the Members Area of the ISCP website.
- Job advertisements.

EXCLUSIVE MEMBER OFFERS

These include:

- Medray online uniform / clothing store.
- Elsevier Professional Publishers – 15% discount on selected publications purchased.
- Discounted Physitrack video-based exercise programs and outcome measures.
- Discounted People Handling and Manual Handling DVDs.
- HMCA Health Benefits.
- Omega Financial Management Services (including Day 1 income protection policy, pension policies and wealth management services).
- Access to discounted Group Health Insurance.

CONNECTING YOU INTERNATIONALLY

Access to the Chartered Society of Physiotherapy global network – most of the benefits of CSP membership for €40 per annum (only available to non-UK based physiotherapists who are a member of their national physiotherapy professional body).

APA (Australia) and APTA (USA) also offer similar packages to members of ISCP.

Access to resources, guidelines, news updates and promotional materials from the World Confederation for Physical Therapy (WCPT) – we are the sole membership organisation in Ireland affiliated to the WCPT.

Access to membership organisation benefits from WCPT sub-groups and networks e.g. eligibility to apply for international recognition as a sports physiotherapist.

ADVOCACY AND PROMOTION

Your membership enables the ISCP to:

Lead advocacy campaigns on behalf of the physiotherapy profession – a significant part of our work is to advocate for change with government, Department of Health and the HSE. From the Protection of Titles to improved conditions in the Public Service, the ISCP is at the forefront of defending your profession.

Devise and develop awareness campaigns promoting Chartered Physiotherapists in the media and through social media channels.

Educate the public and policy makers of the outcomes patients can receive through a programme of therapy with a physiotherapist.