



## Change of Status Information

Dear Doctor:

To initiate your change of status, you will need to complete a form for the Indianapolis Medical Society. For a copy of the form, please phone the IMS Membership Secretary, Tyna McCauley at 639-3406.

This one form will suffice for the Indianapolis Medical Society, the Indiana State Medical Association and 7th District. If you need information regarding closing your practice (if applicable), please advise.

Upon acceptance of your status change by IMS leadership, this change will allow you to continue membership with our organization, but be dues exempt.

Listed below are the categories and their criteria. If you feel you qualify for any of these categories, please fill out a Change of Status form and return to our office. If you are an AMA member, you will need to contact their office for their Change of Status criteria at 1-800-262-3211.

- Disabled**      **A Physician who is unable to practice in his/her chosen profession and may be permanently disabled. An attending physician statement must be provided.** This change would apply to IMS, ISMA, and the AMA. If this is a temporary disability, the change would apply on a year-to-year basis. This change will exempt you from dues as long as you remain in the Disabled category; however, if you are interested in receiving publications, you will be billed at a later date.
- Hardship**      **A Physician who has submitted proof that he/she is undergoing undue financial hardship. A financial statement must be provided.** This change would apply to IMS, ISMA and the AMA, would apply on a year-to-year basis, and exempt you from dues as long as you remain in the Hardship category; however if you are interested in receiving publications, you will be billed at a later date.
- Inactive**      **A Physician who has chosen voluntary inactivity prior to the age of 70 who has ceased the practice of medicine.** This change will exempt you from future dues at the county level. If you are interested in receiving publications, you will be billed at a later date.

Once you have returned your Change of Status form, your request will be presented to the Executive Committee, which meets the third Tuesday of each month. Upon approval, you will be notified, and the change information will then be forwarded to the Indiana State Medical Association. Please contact us right away if you need clarification or have any questions.