It’s already April. In years past, that meant the SVS membership application process was closed for the year. But for 2018, SVS has moved to a new system, with membership applications reviewed quarterly.

Yearly deadlines are March 1, June 1, Sept. 1 and Dec. 1 – four chances a year to become a member of the world’s premier vascular care organization. The first group of applicants were informed of their status early in April.

“This is great news,” a prospective member wrote the SVS. “I’ve tried to apply for membership twice now, but missed the March 1 deadline both times. Now I have a chance in June – and this year I’m going to do it!”

Membership benefits include professional prestige, legislative advocacy, research opportunities and information, practice tools and resources, discounted registration for educational programs, free publications and events for networking with members from across the country and the globe.

Members also receive access to an expanded program of personal and practice benefits such as disability insurance and retirement plans. Active members are also enrolled in the “Find A Specialist” online referral program for patients on vascular.org.

Application materials and more information are available at vsweb.org/JoinSVS. Send questions on membership or benefits to membership@vascularsociety.org.

SVS welcomes members of the vascular team, and now offers a new section specifically for physician assistants.

The SVS is also the management home for the Society for Vascular Nursing. SVN welcomes nurses and nurse practitioners in the vascular setting at many levels and ranges of expertise. For more information, visit svnnet.org.

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