



# INTERNATIONAL MEDICAL INTERPRETERS ASSOCIATION

Leading the advancement of professional interpreters

## IMIA Approves New Student Membership Category with Reduced Rate

As part of its ongoing commitment to comprehensive education specific to and beyond the medical interpretation field, The IMIA is proud to announce that it will be offering a new membership category for students. IMIA Student Members are offered a \$30 per year membership—fully 50% off the standard rate—designated for new members with proof of student status. "We look forward to assisting our students in achieving their long term goal of becoming Nationally Certified Medical Interpreters. We want students to become affiliated with the profession early, so that they benefit from networking and early job connections," said Iliana Rivera, IMIA Membership Committee Chairperson and Language Service Coordinator at Washington Regional Medical Center.

"Education is fundamental to the mission of the IMIA, and this student rate communicates that commitment in dollars and cents. New professional growth will only come from new ideas springing from individual and collaborative research, the engine of innovation. This Student Rate creates avenues for students in academia and expert medical interpreters to come together around matters of import in this field," stated Abbott Thayer, IMIA Conference Committee Chair and Program Director of the Blue Sky Cultural and Linguistic Institute.

Take advantage of this rate today while registering for the IMIA Conference in Miami Beach, Florida on January 18-20! This is for new memberships, not renewals, and proof of student status must be emailed to [info@imiaweb.org](mailto:info@imiaweb.org) or faxed to + 1 866 406 464.

To see special rates for the conference, as well as to join the IMIA as a member, please visit <http://www.imiaweb.org/members/application.asp>.

### **About the International Medical Interpreters Association:**

The International Medical Interpreters Association is a US-based international organization committed to the advancement of professional medical interpreters as the best practice to equitable language access to health care for linguistically diverse patients. Founded in 1986, with over 2,000 members, most providing interpreting services in over 70 languages, the IMIA is the oldest and largest medical interpreter association in the country. While representing medical interpreters as the experts in medical interpreting, membership to the IMIA is open to those interested in medical interpreting and language access. We currently have a division of providers, corporate members, and trainers. Policy makers, health care administrators, and others interested in medical interpreting are also welcome to join us as associate members. The IMIA is recognized as the standard-setting organization for the profession of medical interpreters.