Application for membership of AMLA/amicus-MSF

Please complete in block capitals

About you

Surname

Forenames D.O.B

Home address

Postcode

Home telephone E-mail address

Your employer

Employer's name

Employer's address

Postcode

Membership Status

☐ Full ☐ Reduced ☐ Student ☐ Retired

Your payment

You can pay your subscription in 3 different ways but direct debit is the easiest to administer, leaving more of the union's resources for direct services to members.
I wish to pay by:

☐ Credit Card ☐ Cheque ☐ Direct Debit

Credit Card

I wish to pay ☐ Annually ☐ Half-yearly ☐ Quarterly ☐ Monthly

I wish to pay by ☐ VISA ☐ Mastercard/Access

Card number

Expiry date The sum of £

Cheque

I wish to pay ☐ Annually ☐ Half-yearly ☐ Quarterly ☐ Monthly

Check No The sum of £

Political Fund (contribution) notice Northern Ireland

I hereby give notice that I am willing, and agree, to contribute to the political fund of Amicus the union and I understand that I shall in consequence be liable to contribute to that fund, and shall continue to be so liable unless I deliver at the Amicus MSF Centre or some Regional Centres of the Union a written notice of withdrawal; I also understand that after delivering such a notice of withdrawal I shall still continue to be liable to contribute to the political fund until the next following first day of January.
The Political levy is currently 9p per week.

Signature Date

Equal opportunities

AMLA/amicus wants to provide the best possible services to all our members, and target information to meet your needs. All information will be treated in the strictest confidence and will not be revealed to any third party.

Do you regard yourself as person with a disability? YES ☐ NO ☐

Which broad ethnic group do you belong to?

☐ White ☐ Afro-Caribbean ☐ Asian ☐ Other (please specify)

Signature Date

Please return application form with payment/ credit card details to

Amicus
MSF Centre
FREEPOST BFH 1338
London EC1B 1FN

Instruction to your Bank/Building Society to pay by Direct Debit

Please fill in the whole form including official use box using a ballpoint pen and send to:
Amicus, MSF Centre, FREEPOST BFH 1338, London EC1B 1FN

Name(s) of account holder(s)

Bank/Building Society account number

Branch Sort Code

Name and full postal address of your Bank and Building Society

To: The Manager Bank/Building Society

Address

Postcode

Reference number (Amicus membership number)

Instruction to your Bank or Building Society

Please pay Amicus Direct Debits from the account detailed in this instruction subject to the safeguards assured by Direct Debit Guarantee. I understand that this instruction may remain with Amicus and, if so, details will be passed electronically to my Bank/Building Society.

Signature(s) Date

For Amicus official use only. *This is NOT part of your instruction to your Bank/Building Society*
I wish to pay the sum of £

☐ Annually ☐ Half-yearly ☐ Quarterly ☐ Monthly

My preferred payment date is Month commencing

Bank and Building Societies may not accept instructions to pay Direct Debit for some types of accounts.

This should be detached and retained by the Payer.

The Direct Debit Guarantee

This guarantee is offered by all Banks and Building Societies that take part in the Direct Debit Scheme.
The efficiency and security of the Scheme is monitored and protected by your own Bank and Building Society.

If the amounts to be paid or the payment dates change, Amicus will notify you **10** working days in advance of your account being debited or as otherwise agreed.

If an error is made by Amicus or your Bank or Building Society, you are guaranteed a full and immediate refund from your Branch of the amount paid.

You can cancel a Direct Debit at any time by writing to your bank or Building Society. Please also send a copy of your letter to Amicus.

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AMLA
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If you are a Medical Laboratory Assistant, you will find increased scope, support and benefits in your profession through the Association of Medical Laboratory Assistants - your new voice.

Chairman's message

Hello and welcome to AMLA. My name is Maureen Jenkins. I am a Medical Laboratory Assistant (MLA) and have worked in the National Health Service for over 30 years. I am based in the Biochemistry Department, Stobhill Hospital, part of North Glasgow Trust Hospitals.

Obtaining recognition and a voice for MLAs has been something I have hoped for since the introduction of the grade. The only way forward for MLA staff is through education and training, provided at a pace suitable to the individual and AMLA will have these high on the list of priorities for members.

I would urge every MLA to become a member of AMLA. This task is very daunting and new to us, but we have a potential membership of more than 2,000 people. Together we can build a solid foundation, make a difference and prepare the way for our future as a professional group with a very valid contribution to make within the NHS.

Maureen Jenkins

What is the Association of Medical Laboratory Assistants (AMLA)

AMLA is the professional body which has been introduced to provide advice and guidance on education and training for Medical Laboratory Assistants and to promote the professional capabilities and aspirations of this group employed in hospital laboratories throughout the National Health Service.

AMLA will also provide staff with the opportunity to make a contribution to decisions which will affect their ability to practice within their given discipline and their future status within the service.

The main objectives of AMLA are to:

- remove any untrained, unqualified perception of the grade and develop a professional status
- encourage uniform national standards of proficiency
- extend and improve vocational and academic training and education
- enhance job package and encourage recruitment
- raise the profile of the MLA post throughout the NHS
- introduce a grading structure and the ability to progress through career gateways
- introduce a voluntary register for members
- develop a code of practice
- give accessibility to state registration

Benefits of membership

Support and advice will be available through:

- a dedicated phone line, website and email address
- fellow association members
- members of the AMLA Council

In addition to the benefits of belonging to the professional body for MLAs, we are now able to offer members of AMLA the further benefit of membership of our association agreement with amicus. Amicus is a trade union with a well renowned record of representing health professionals (particularly healthcare scientists) in industrial relations and professional issues. Amicus recognises that health professionals need the facility to pursue professional issues, particularly where these are inextricably linked with industrial relations issues.

Benefits of joint membership

- Professional advice and assistance
- Free legal, financial and pensions advice
- Training and education courses available
- Workplace representation resources available in areas such as unfair treatment, disciplinary matters and grievances
- MLA staff will benefit from baseline grade changes
- Career structure to allow the development of MLA staff through to senior support staff

Amicus has campaigned and negotiated tirelessly on behalf of all its members in the health sector to achieve fair outcomes in Agenda for Change. Amicus members have recently voted in favour of Agenda for Change being tested in the Early Implementer trusts, but they have reserved any final decision on Agenda for Change until 2004, when we will be able to assess how it has worked within the Early Implementer trusts, and how the outcomes will affect our members.

Subscription rates

Single Membership

Subscriptions for membership of AMLA are due on 1 October each year. Please note that your first payment of £30 must be made by cheque.

Joint membership

If you are already a member of amicus and wish to extend this to become a member also of AMLA you need to complete the joint application form. Your current subscription rate will be adjusted to the joint membership rate.

Contracted In (including political levy)

	MONTHLY	QUARTERLY	HALF YEARLY	YEARLY
Full	£11.75	£35.25	£70.50	£141.00
Reduced*	£6.81	£20.43	£40.86	£81.72
Retired				£34.68
Student				£34.68

Contracted Out

	MONTHLY	QUARTERLY	HALF YEARLY	YEARLY
Full	£11.38	£34.08	£68.16	£136.32
Reduced*	£6.42	£19.26	£38.52	£77.04
Retired				£30.00
Student				£30.00

*Reduced rate is for members earning less than £195.00 gross per week. Please note that subscription rates are available in euros on request, for MLAs in the Irish Republic.

Please note that you **need only complete one application form** and forward it to the address given on it If,however, you wish to pay by direct debit, currently available only for joint membership, please complete the direct debit form and return with your completed joint application form to the *amicus* office.

If you have any queries about subscriptions contact AMLA on 020 7713 8050 or email mail@amlauk.org.

Application for membership of AMLA

Please complete all questions in block capitals

About you

Surname

First name and initials

Male/Female Date of Birth

Contact tel. number

Email address

Home address

postcode

Higher education qualifications

Photocopies of certs, in English, should be attached.

Your employment

Your current post

Your employer

Work address

postcode

Work tel Work Fax

Payment

Pay by cheque

Cheques should be made payable to AMLA

Please find enclosed my cheque for payment of £30

I apply to become a member of AMLA. If accepted, I undertake to observe the AMLA rules.

Signature Date

Please return application form with payment to
AMLA, 12 Coldbath Square, London EC1R 5HL