

NZOA Policies and Procedures - NZOA New Zealand Joint Registry Participation Policy	
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Background

All surgeons who perform arthroplasty are required to provide data to the NZOA Joint Registry.

When surgeries are performed in private the surgeons are required to pay a fee to the Registry. This enables the Registry to perform its functions of entering and storing data, and analysing the data to provide surgeons with individual surgeon reports each year and to publish the Annual Report. Health New Zealand – Te Whatu Ora and ACC contribute funds to offset NZJR costs for publicly funded arthroplasty. The individual surgeons reports are required to be reviewed annually with a colleague. This audit performs an important role in enabling members to provide continuous improvement in the quality of health care. Confirmation of this audit is also a requirement for members to be compliant with their annual CPD reporting.

Invoicing

Participating surgeons are invoiced on a quarterly basis. Reminders will be sent to non-payers. Failure to pay the required fees within 3 months or to provide a valid and accepted explanation for non-payment or partial payment within that timeframe will result in the surgeon being considered to be a non-participant. They will not be entitled to receive their individual surgeon report for review which will mean they cannot meet their CPD reporting requirements.

Failure to meet CPD requirements is a breach of the Code of Conduct potentially leading to cessation of membership.