**VAPP GUEST INFORMATION FOR APPLICANTS**

The category of VAPP Guest enables non-members of the VAPP to participate in the VAPP’s Professional Development program.

This is one way in which the VAPP seeks to make itself open to the wider psychoanalytic community and to broaden and enhance its linkages to that community.

VAPP Guests can participate in the VAPP’s Professional Development events with the exception of those that are designated for members only.

There is an annual fee set each year by the VAPP Council.

To be a VAPP Guest, applicants need to have:

* relevant clinical experience
* a significant period of psychoanalytic psychotherapy supervision (a minimum of 6 months of weekly supervision or equivalent)
* input of psychoanalytic theory (eg. Introductory course, Seminar series, Reading Groups)
* a favourable reference from a recent supervisor regarding clinical practice

A VAPP Guest also needs to be familiar with and accept the VAPP Code of Ethics.

APPLICATION PROCESS

All enquiries regarding applying to be a VAPP Guest should be directed to the VAPP Administrative Officer  (telephone: 03 9428 2303 or email to vappadmin@vapp.asn.au ).

Any further queries regarding the process or eligibility can be discussed with the Chair or Secretary of the VAPP Membership Committee.

External applicants are asked to attach a letter of application together with a current Curriculum Vitae to the VAPP Administrative Officer.  The letter should briefly outline the applicant’s interest in and experience of psychoanalytic psychotherapy and should include the name of a referee who has had recent supervisory experience of the applicant’s work.

Applications will be considered by the VAPP’s Membership Committee, which will make recommendations to the VAPP Council.   Successful applicants will then be notified and provided with details for payment of the fee.

VAPP Guests are notified via email of Professional Development events.

New VAPP Guests are asked to notify the VAPP Administrative Officer when they will be attending their first Professional Development evening so that the VAPP President can welcome them and introduce them to others at the meeting.