Application to Establish a New ISTAART Professional Interest Area
Professional Interest Areas (PIAs) are an assembly of ISTAART members with common research specialties or interest. PIAs provide a forum for networking and education, offer mentoring and career guidance for junior scientists, and help researchers and practitioners share the latest techniques and information.

Professional Interest Areas are composed of at least 25 individuals and are open to ISTAART members only. Current PIAs include:

- Alliance of Women Alzheimer’s Researchers
- Atypical Alzheimer's disease and Associated Syndromes
- Biofluid Based Biomarkers
- Clinical Trials Advancement and Methods
- Design and Data Analytics
- Diversity and Disparities
- Down syndrome and Alzheimer’s disease
- Electrophysiology
- Immunity and Neurodegeneration
- Neuroimaging
- Neuropsychiatric Syndromes (NPS) in Neurodegenerative Disease
- Non-pharmacological Interventions
- Nutrition, Metabolism, and Dementia
- Reserve, Resilience and Protective Factors
- Perioperative Cognition and Delirium
- Subjective Cognitive Decline
- Technology

Instructions & Guidelines

The application process consists of three easy steps:

1. **Provide Contact Information for the Organizers:**
   Each PIA may have up to three organizers (two are required). Organizers must be active ISTAART members.
   - Name
   - Organization/Institution
   - E-mail
   - Phone
   - Country

2. **PIA Information**
   - Proposed PIA Name
   - Statement of Need
   - PIA Objectives
   - Description of anticipated activities, including long term goals
   - List any disclosures of relationships, if any, between the proposed PIA activities and any professional or commercial organization other than ISTAART

3. **Professional Interest Area Petition**
   - Provide a list of a minimum of 25 ISTAART members (excluding the organizers). **NOTE: All non-ISTAART members listed will be required to join ISTAART within 30 days of pending PIA approval.**

Please submit the completed application to ISTAART@alz.org.

If you have any questions, please contact Yumeka Brown at 312.335.5871 or ybrown@alz.org.

Application Review Process

Your submitted application will be reviewed by the ISTAART Advisory Council. The primary PIA organizer will be notified within five weeks of the council’s review.

PIA organizers may be invited to give a short (5 minute) presentation to the ISTAART Advisory Council, over the phone, or in person.

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ISTAART- Application for Establishment of a Professional Interest Area (PIA)

Organizer Information

Each PIA application must name at least two organizers, but may have up to three. Organizers must be active members of ISTAART.

Primary Organizer Contact Information: (Required)
Will the primary organizer serve as the PIA Chair/Co-chair? _____ Yes _____ No

Name: ____________________________
Organization/Institution: ____________________________
E-mail: ____________________________ Phone: ____________________________
Country: ____________________________

Second Organizer Contact Information: (Required)
Will the secondary organizer serve as the PIA Chair/Co-chair? _____ Yes _____ No

Name: ____________________________
Organization/Institution: ____________________________
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Third Organizer Contact Information: (Optional)

Name: ____________________________
Organization/Institution: ____________________________
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PIA Information

Please detail the purpose, goals, objectives, and activities of your proposed PIA. The ISTAART Advisory Council will review this information in considering your request. Additionally, should your PIA application be granted, sections of this information may be made available to ISTAART members in print, online, or via e-mail.

Proposed PIA Name

Statement of Need

Please describe why the proposed PIA is needed. Questions to consider: What is the need within the field? Who would benefit from this PIA? Is there another PIA, group, or organization that serves the same purpose? (See PIA Overview for a complete listing of current PIAs)

PIA Objectives

Please list up to three objectives. Examples include: Develop and advance clinical and research applications of brain imaging in Alzheimer's disease and related disorders; Develop and submit Featured Research Sessions for consideration at the Alzheimer's Association International Conference (AAIC); Provide support for young, new, and established investigators by providing a forum for the presentation of research findings to an expert audience for constructive feedback.

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PIA Information (continued)

Description of anticipated short term goals (first 6-12 months)
Please describe specific activities such as manuscripts, meetings, conferences, specific research initiatives, etc.

Description of anticipated long term goals (+12 months)

List any disclosures of relationships, if any, between the proposed PIA activities and any professional or commercial organization other than ISTAART:

Describe the desired ways the PIA would interact with and at the Alzheimer’s Association International Conference (i.e. submit a proposal for a Featured Research Session, encourage PIA members to submit individual oral and poster abstract submissions, etc.)

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# PIA Petition

Per the guidelines for establishing a Professional Interest Area within ISTAART, a minimum of 25 members are required.

**Proposed PIA Name:**

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*NOTE:* Any non-ISTAART members listed below will be required to join ISTAART within 30 days of pending PIA approval.

The undersigned request the formation of a Professional Interest Area within ISTAART:

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