

*“Why should I join AsMA and ASPS?”*

*“Chunky, listen.... Navy, Joint Program Military Education (USAF, Command and Staff College) as well as other official coursework, specializations and qualifications are much more important for my career.”*

*Folks, I've heard this from everyone. The senior leadership in both the Air Force and Navy will tell you that yes, there are several career milestones that are necessary, and I agree. However, AsMA and AsPS memberships are win-win for you also. Let me tell you what AsMA and AsPS can do for you.*

- Make you a better Aerospace Physiologist....? Yes, absolutely! Active Membership in AsPS as well as AsMA will make you a better Aerospace Physiologist (words spoken to me by Captain Rich Jehue, USN). The AP certification process will increase your knowledge, teach you things you thought you knew, and give you a USN BUPERS Specialty Code or a USAF Personnel Certification Code. Association with International Aeromedical Experts will broaden your knowledge, create liaisons and open career opportunities to you.*
- Give you a greater chance for promotion and career advancement....? Yes. As advice to fellow Aerospace Physiology professionals, especially to USAF Captains / Majors and USN Lieutenants / Lieutenant Commanders, your membership will have a holistic affect on your professional career. It's not just the personnel code recognized by USAF and USN, but the overall association with a professional organization, publication of your work in the AsMA journal (through your efforts) as well as association with international field experts that can increase your chance of promotion.*
- Enrich your life, your career and have fun....? Of course. You will meet fellow professionals and make lifelong friendships. You will reap the benefits of your career by what you put into your career. It frankly is that simple. Get involved.*

*These aspects above are the reasons I have re-energized my membership with AsPS and AsMA. It's a win-win proposition.*

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