Osher Center Network Categories (September 2026)

The **Osher Center for Integrative Health at Northwestern University** brings together faculty, clinicians, researchers, educators, trainees and staff united by a shared commitment to advancing integrative health, whole-person care, health equity, and the therapeutic relationship.

This collaborative community fosters innovation across clinical care, research, education, community engagement and planetary health. Serving as a central hub, the Osher Center connects people and ideas across disciplines, strengthens partnerships, amplifies collective impact and creates new opportunities for meaningful interdisciplinary collaboration.

Participation categories:

	Members	**Osher Affiliates**		**Community Ambassadors**	
Eligibility	**Northwestern** faculty and trainees (must have a faculty appointment at Northwestern University)	**Northwestern** non-faculty clinicians, staff	**Non-Northwestern** clinicians, researchers, educators and community partners who make a meaningful contribution to Osher programs through research, education or community-academic partnership	Community laypersons and clinicians with an interest in integrative medicine.	Philanthropic advisory council members (IMAWARE) and Friends of Osher
	e.g., Osher physicians, APPs, PsyD, PhD NM/FSM//Lurie/SRAL clinicians and researchers	e.g., Osher clinic acupuncturists, chiropractic, massage therapists, registered dietitians, class instructors, RN, MA, staff NM Non-Osher categories as above. (e.g., in other regions, offices/clinics)	e.g., Non-Northwestern clinicians and researchers who teach in Osher programs Community grant partners		
Website listing	Member page (top tab)	Osher affiliate webpage (under Osher Network top tab)	Osher affiliate webpage (under Osher Network top tab)	Not listed	IM AWARE Council (latter under About Us top tab)

Benefits					
Community					
Be part of a multidisciplinary network of faculty, clinicians, researchers, educators and staff engaged in integrative health.	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Participate in Osher Center meetings, special events, lectures, workshops and networking opportunities.	✓	✓	✓	(✓) Only those open to the public.	✓
Become a member of the Osher Collaborative, an international network of 11 Osher Centers for Integrative Health, with access to education, pilot grants, working groups and speaking opportunities.	✓	✓			
Become a member of Northwestern's institutional membership in the Academic Consortium for Integrative Medicine and Health.	✓	✓			

Research & Scholarship					
Eligible for Northwestern Osher pilot funding opportunities and seed grants	✓	✓	Only in partnership with a Northwestern faculty		
Eligible for Osher Collaborative funding initiatives (pilot grants, travel grants)	✓	✓			
Participate in multisite research projects and collaborative scholarship initiatives.	✓	✓	✓		
Join working groups focused on research, clinical innovation, education, implementation science, health equity, planetary health and related topics.	✓	✓	✓		
Share research findings, publications and innovations through Osher Center communication channels.	✓	✓			

Education & Professional Development					
Contribute to educational programming for students, trainees, clinicians and community members.	✓	✓	✓		
Present your work through Osher Center seminars, grand rounds, webinars and other educational forums.	✓	✓	✓		
Visibility & Outreach					
Be featured in Osher Center communications, newsletters and affiliate directories.	✓	✓	✓		
Share news, publications, programs and events with the broader Osher Center community.	✓	✓			
Engage with regional and national networks advancing integrative health and whole-person care.	✓	✓			

MEMBER and NORTHWESTERN AFFILIATE Expectations

To support a vibrant and engaged community, Osher Center Network participants are expected to:

Eligibility

- Hold an appointment, employment affiliation or training position at Northwestern University or Northwestern Medicine.
- Demonstrate ongoing work, scholarship, education, clinical practice or community engagement that aligns with the mission and values of the Osher Center for Integrative Health at Northwestern University.

Engagement

- Contribute through your work to at least one area of Osher Center activity, such as research, education, clinical innovation, community engagement, health equity or planetary health.
- Share relevant accomplishments, publications, presentations, grants or initiatives that may be highlighted by the Osher Center.

Professional Standards

- Maintain good standing with the institution, organization or professional licensing body through which you are employed, appointed, credentialed or certified.
- Conduct activities in a manner consistent with Northwestern University's values, policies and standards of professional conduct.
- Promote respectful, inclusive and collaborative engagement across disciplines and communities.

Representation

- When appropriate, identify yourself as an Osher Center member or affiliate in professional biographies, presentations, publications, websites and other outreach activities.
- Acknowledge the Osher Center's support or affiliation in relevant activities when applicable.