

BYLAWS OF THE ILLINOIS COUNCIL OF HEALTH-SYSTEM PHARMACISTS

ARTICLE I. MEMBERSHIP

Section I. MEMBERS

The membership of the Council shall consist of individuals who have paid dues and are interested in the objectives of the Council as stated in Article I of the Council Constitution. Membership shall consist of the following:

(a) PHARMACIST MEMBERS

Pharmacist members individually licensed to practice pharmacy shall have the right to vote and to serve as an officer of the Council or in any other elected or appointed position. Recent pharmacy graduate and resident/fellow members retain the same rights and privileges as pharmacist members.

(1) Recent graduate: An individual licensed to practice pharmacy that joins the Council within 12 months of graduation from a college of pharmacy or completion of a pharmacy residency or fellowship.

(2) Pharmacy resident/fellow: An individual licensed to practice pharmacy and currently enrolled in a full-time pharmacy residency or fellowship program.

(b) ASSOCIATE MEMBERS

Associate members receive all the benefits of pharmacist full members except voting privileges or the ability to hold office unless otherwise noted.

1. Supporting Member: Individuals which include non-pharmacist allied health professionals, pharmaceutical industry representatives, and non-pharmacist college faculty.

2. Student Member: Individuals enrolled full-time in a pharmacy degree program at an accredited college of pharmacy. Student members may vote and hold office in their own student chapters.

3. Technician Member: Individuals registered as technicians or certified technicians. Technician members shall have the right to serve as technician representative and to vote in the election of the technician representative.

(c) RETIRED MEMBERS

A pharmacist or pharmacy technician who has reached the age of at least 65 is eligible for retired member status. Retired members are entitled to all membership rights and services of their previous membership category. In a case of extenuating circumstances of a member of ICHP, who is younger than the age of 65, special consideration will be made upon request to convert a member to retired member status.

(d) HONORARY MEMBERS

Persons who shall be elected for life by unanimous vote of the Board of Directors from among individuals who have made outstanding contributions to pharmacy practice. Honorary members may vote or hold office if otherwise eligible for pharmacist membership.

Section II. LOCAL AFFILIATION

Each Pharmacist, Associate, Retired, or Honorary member shall hold membership in the local affiliate of his/her choice or be assigned by the Executive Vice President to membership in a local affiliate based on geographic location.

Section III. NETWORKS

Each member of ICHP may hold membership in one or more Networks of ICHP.

Section IV. DUES

Dues shall be collected by the Council. The Board of Directors shall establish, consistent with other provisions of these bylaws, dues and membership periods for all members.

- (a) Five dollars (\$5.00) of the student membership will be returned in the form of a rebate directly to the student chapter with which the student is affiliated.
- (b) Dues for technician members shall be no more than one half (1/2) the dues rate established for pharmacist members.
- (c) Dues of retired members and retired technician members' shall be assessed at no more than one-half the rate of active pharmacist and technician members, respectively.
- (d) No dues shall be assessed of honorary members.
- (e) Dues for a Network may be initially set at 50% of each member's regular dues. The dues for each Network shall be reviewed by the ICHP Board yearly. The dues amount may be readjusted yearly, based on the financial needs of each group.
- (f) To qualify for student dues, Pharm. D. students must state the name of the college or school of pharmacy that he/she or she is enrolled in and year of graduation on the membership application and subsequent renewal notices.
- (g) To qualify for pharmacy resident/fellow dues, the resident must state the name of the residency/fellowship program and the date of expected completion of the residency/fellowship on the membership application.
- (h) Joint/spouse membership dues shall be less than twice the dues of a pharmacist membership.
- (i) Stepwise increase in pharmacist membership dues upon graduation from pharmacy school is as follows:
 - 1. Starting with the first renewal post-graduation, the dues will be approximately one-half the dues of a pharmacist member rounded off to the nearest dollar.

2. Starting with the member's second renewal post-graduation, the dues will be the dues of a pharmacist member
3. To qualify for the above stepwise post-graduation dues structure, the member must state date of graduation and college or school of pharmacy attended on the membership application.
4. Pharmacy resident/fellow members are exempt from this stepwise structure until completion of the residency/fellowship. The pharmacy resident/fellow member will begin the stepwise dues structure at the time of their first renewal post-residency/fellowship.

Section V. APPLICATIONS

Applications for pharmacist, associate, retired, and network membership shall be completed on a standard form and forwarded to the ICHP office. Dues must accompany the membership application.

Section VI. PERIOD OF MEMBERSHIP

(a) **PHARMACIST, ASSOCIATE, RETIRED MEMBERS, AND NETWORK MEMBERS**

The period of membership shall coincide with either the calendar year or a period of one (1) year beginning and ending on the first day of any other established billing cycle. Membership to the Council and the obligation for dues shall continue unless a member's resignation is received prior to the end of the established billing cycle in which dues have been paid. A member will also be carried on the roster for sixty (60) days from the end of the established billing cycle and will be dropped from the roster if dues are not paid.

(b) **HONORARY MEMBERS**

Honorary members shall be members for life.