

Association of American Medical Colleges

## Council of Teaching Hospitals Rules and Regulations

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At the meeting of the institutional members of the Association of American Medical Colleges, November 2, 1965, the Association authorized the formation of a Council of Teaching Hospitals.

**Purpose and Function.** The Council is organized to provide, as a part of the program of the AAMC, special activities and programs relating to teaching hospitals. For this purpose, a teaching hospital is defined as an institution with a major commitment in undergraduate, post-doctoral, or post-graduate education of physicians. Each medical school may nominate and recommend to the Council for membership affiliated teaching hospitals. Other eligible institutions may become members by virtue of meeting specific requirements in teaching programs as may be set up by the Council and approved by the AAMC Assembly. The Council will hold educational meetings, conduct and publish studies, take group action on various issues concerning the teaching hospital and participate in policy making of the Association through its elected officers and representatives.

Nature of the Program of the Council. As a part of the AAMC, the Council of Teaching Hospitals develops, through the appointment of study groups, information concerning specific items or problems of hospital operation as they relate to the goals, purposes and functions of the Academic Medical Center. The Council conducts meetings for the presentation of papers and studies relating to education in hospitals. In addition to the COTH-AAMC Annual Meeting, other educational programs are conducted on a regional basis.

Membership in the Council. Hospitals as institutions are members of the Council and each institution designates a person for the purpose of representation in the Council. Eligibility for membership in the Council is determined on the basis of one of the two following criteria:

a. Teaching hospitals which have approved internship programs and full, approved residencies in at least 4 recognized specialties including 2 of the following: Medicine, Surgery, Obstetrics-Gynecology, Pediatrics and Psychiatry; and, which are elected by the Council of Teaching Hospitals;

or

b. Those hospitals nominated by an AAMC Medical School Institutional Member or Provisional Institutional Member, from among the major Teaching Hospitals affiliated with the Members and elected by the Council of Teaching Hospitals.

Council of Teaching Hospital members are organizations operated exclusively for educational, scientific, or charitable purposes.

**COTH Officers, Executive Committee, and Assembly Mem**bers. COTH officers and new executive committee members, and new representatives to the AAMC Assembly are elected annually by all COTH members. Each COTH institutional member is entitled to one vote.

There are nine (9) members of the Executive Committee, serving for three-year terms. Each year three (3) members are elected. In addition, the immediate Past Chairman, the Chairman, the Chairman Elect, and the Council of Teaching Hospitals' representatives on the Executive Council of the AAMC are ex-officio members of the Executive Committee. The Executive Committee meets as deemed necessary by the Chairman. The Executive Committee is authorized to conduct the business of the Council between meetings of the institutional members.

**Operation and Relationships.** The Council of Teaching Hospitals reports to the Executive Council of the AAMC, and is represented on that Council by three (3) COTH members. Creation of standing committees and any major actions are taken only after recommendation to and approval by the Executive Council of the AAMC.

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The voting rights of the Council of Teaching Hospitals members in the Assembly of the AAMC are as follows: COTH is authorized to designate 10 percent of its members, up to a maximum of 35, each of whom shall have one vote in the Assembly. The Assembly is the constituent delegate body to which the AAMC Executive Council is responsible.

**Staff, Expenses for Attendance at Meetings, and Dues.** The Council of Teaching Hospitals will be provided adequate staff for the conduct of its work. The Executive Committee of COTH appoints standing and ad hoc committees. The committees meet as deemed necessary, with expenses of these meetings paid for by COTH.

The activities of the Council of Teaching Hospitals are financed by its members through appropriate dues established at a current rate of \$700.00 per year.

T. Stewart Hamilton, M.D. Chairman Executive Committee Council of Teaching Hospitals

Approved by the Executive Committee of the Council of Teaching Hospitals, the Executive Council of the AAMC, and the COTH Institutional Membership at its Annual Business Meeting, Monday, November 3, 1969.

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