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# RULES AND REGULATIONS OF THE ORGANIZATION OF RESIDENT REPRESENTATIVES THE ASSOCIATION OF AMERICAN MEDICAL COLLEGES

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The Organization of Resident Representatives was established with the adoption of the Association of American Medical Colleges bylaw revisions of November, 1991.

#### Section One--Name

The name of the organization shall be the Organization of Resident Representatives (ORR) of the Association of American Medical Colleges

#### Section Two--Purpose

The purpose of this organization shall be 1) to provide a mechanism for the interchange of ideas and perceptions among resident physicians and others concerned with medical education, 2) to provide a means by which resident physician views on matters of concern to the Association may find expression, 3) to provide a mechanism for resident physician participation in the governance of the affairs of the Association, 4) to provide a forum for resident physician action on issues that affect the delivery of health care, and 5) to provide professional and academic development apportunities.

#### Section Three-Wembership

Members of the Organization of Resident Representatives shall be resident physicians or fellows when designated by the member organizations of the Council of Academic Societies of the Association of American Medical Colleges that represent chairs of medical school clinical departments or directors of residency programs accredited by the Accreditation Council for Graduate Medical Education (ACGME). Two resident representatives shall be designated by each of these member organizations by a process appropriate to the governance of the designating organization. The terms of the two resident designates shall be staggered such that one new resident appointment will be made annually. The selection process should involve resident input to the extent possible by the organization's administrative structure and governance. The president or chair of the organization will respond to the Association with the names of the two resident physicians the organization wishes to designate.

To the extent that a specialty recognized by the ACGME with accredited residency training programs is not represented on the ORR by either a CAS member program director or clinical

chair group, a member society may submit a letter of interest to the ORR stating a desire to designate two resident physicians to the ORR. Upon approval by the ORR administrative board and Executive Council of the AAMC, the society will be asked to forward the names of the resident physicians the society wishes to designate.

Members of the ORR shall be designated to serve for a two-year term and may be reappointed by the societies for another two-year term if they meet membership requirements.

Each member of the Organization of Resident Representatives shall be entitled to one vote at meetings of the ORR.

#### Section Four--Officers and Administrative Board

The officers of the Organization of Resident Representatives shall be as follows:

- 1) The chair whose duties shall be to:
  - a) preside at all meetings of the ORR
  - b) serve as ex-officio member of all committees of the ORR
  - c) communicate all recommendations and actions adopted by the ORR to the Executive Council
  - d) represent the ORR on the Executive Council
- The chair-elect whose duties are to preside or otherwise serve in the absence of the chair and to succeed the chair in that office at the completion of his/her term of office. If the chair-elect succeeds the chair before the expiration of his/her term of office, such service shall not disqualify the chair-elect from serving a full term as chair.

The term of office of the chair and chair-elect shall be one year.

There shall be an administrative board composed of the chair, chair-elect, immediate past chair and six members-at-large. The term of office of the members-at-large shall be for one year, and this service shall not disqualify them from serving a full term as chair-elect, chair and immediate past-chair if so elected. The chair-elect and members-at-large will be elected annually at the time of the annual meeting of the Association of American Medical Colleges. Members-at-large may be re-elected to the administrative board providing they fulfill membership requirements. Those members serving as officers or administrative board members shall be designated resident representatives by their respective Council of Academic Societies member organization. Retiring officers and administrative board members shall be non-voting members at the annual meeting. The Council of Academic Societies' organizations who are represented by retiring officers or administrative board members shall designate a total of two voting resident representatives to the annual meeting.

Nominations for chair-elect and the administrative board will be accepted with appropriate supporting materials (curriculum vitae and a statement of intent) prior to the annual meeting. Additional nominations may be made by the membership of the Organization of Resident Representatives at the time of the election.

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Candidates for each respective office will be allowed to provide a brief oral summary of their qualifications and interest in the Organization of Resident Representatives prior to the casting of ballots. Election will be by closed ballot. The first to be called will be for chair-elect. The nominee receiving the most votes shall be elected. In the event of a tie, a run-off election will be held.

The next ballot will be for members-at-large of the administrative board. The individuals receiving the highest number of votes shall be elected. In the event of a tie, a run-off election will be held.

The administrative board shall be the Organization of Resident Representative's executive committee to manage the affairs of the Organization of Resident Representatives and to take any necessary interim action that is required on behalf of the Organization.

#### Section Five--Representation on the AAMC Assembly

The Organization of Resident Representatives is authorized twelve seats on the AAMC Assembly. Representatives of the Organization to the Assembly shall be determined according to the following priority:

- 1) the chair of the Organization of Resident Representatives
- 2) the chair-elect of the Organization of Resident Representatives
- 3) the immediate past-chair of the Organization of Resident Representatives
- 4) members-at-large of the administrative board of the Organization of Resident Representatives
- 5) additional members as designated by the chair of the Organization of Resident Representatives

#### Section Six--Meetings, Quorums and Parliamentary Procedure

Regular meetings of the Organization of Resident Representatives shall be held in conjunction with the Association annual meeting.

Special meetings may be called by the chair upon majority vote of the administrative board provided that there is at least thirty days notice given to each member or the Organization of Resident Representatives and appropriate funding for a special meeting is available.

A simple majority of the voting members shall constitute a quorum.

Formal actions may be taken only at meetings at which a quorum is present. At such meetings decisions will be made by a majority of those present and voting.

Where parliamentary procedure is at issue, <u>Roberts Rules of Order</u> shall prevail, except where in conflict with Association bylaws.

All Organization of Resident Representatives meetings shall be open unless otherwise specified by the Chair.

#### Section Seven--Operation and Relationships

The Organization of Resident Representatives shall relate to all three Councils of the Association of American Medical Colleges and shall be represented on the Executive Council by the chair and the chair-elect of the Organization of Resident Representatives.

#### Section Eight--Adoption and Amendments

These Rules and Regulations shall be adopted and may be altered, repealed, or amended by a two-thirds vote of the voting members present and voting at any annual meeting of the membership for which thirty days prior written notice of the Rules and Regulations change has been given, provided that the total number of votes cast in favor of the changes constitutes a majority of the Organization's membership.