

CANADIAN ASSOCIATION OF EMERGENCY PHYSICIANS

CONSTITUTION

ARTICLE 1:        NAME

An association of Canadian physicians active in Emergency Medicine shall be known as the "Canadian Association of Emergency Physicians".

ARTICLE 2:        DEFINITION

This association has been founded to promote emergency health services in Canada.

OBJECTIVES

- A. To study and recommend standards of Emergency Medical Care in Canada.
- B. To foster research and education in the field of Emergency Medicine.
- C. To promote coordination of community, provincial and national emergency care facilities and personnel.
- D. To provide representation for Canadian physicians who are engaged in the practice of Emergency Medicine.

ARTICLE 3:        ORGANIZATION

This shall be a nonprofit educational organization. No part of its earnings or net income shall accrue to the benefit of any individual and no officer or member of the association will receive or be entitled to receive financial profit from the operation of the association.

ARTICLE 4:        MEMBERSHIP

Eligibility

Membership is open to any physician who has significant interest and is active in the practice of Emergency Medicine in Canada.

Application

Those interested in membership shall apply to the Secretary-Treasurer.

ARTICLE 4:        MEMBERSHIP - Cont'd

Fees

Annual fees shall be proposed by the Executive for approval by the membership at each annual meeting. The founding membership fees shall be fifty dollars.

Termination of Membership

Resignation of membership may be made in writing to the Association's Secretary-Treasurer. Nonpayment of fees within one month of notification of delinquency shall be presumptive of resignation.

ARTICLE 5:        GENERAL MEETING

An annual meeting shall be held at such time and place as may be determined by the Executive Committee and announced at least six months prior to such meeting.

Those members present at an annual meeting shall constitute a quorum.

Voting

If a member has the proxy vote of other individual members of the Organization he may exercise the right to use those votes, having given prior notification to the Executive Committee of such an arrangement.

ARTICLE 6:        EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

The officers of the Organization shall be:

1.        President
2.        Vice-President
3.        Secretary-Treasurer
4.        Past President

These officers shall be elected at the annual meeting allowing for proxy votes. They shall take office immediately.

The Executive shall appoint ad-hoc members to the Executive Committee representing emergency medicine on a nation wide basis. There shall be a minimum of four members appointed in this fashion and they shall all be members of the Association.

ARTICLE 6:            EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE - Cont'd

The management and control of the Association shall be invested in the Executive Committee.

Three members of the Executive Committee shall constitute a quorum.

The Executive Committee shall meet at the call of the President.

ARTICLE 7:            COMMITTEES

The Executive Committee may appoint such committees as they deem advisable from time to time from the general membership.

ARTICLE 8:            BY-LAWS

Changes in the Constitution of By-Laws may be adopted or amended by a two-thirds majority at the annual meeting and notification of this proposal must be communicated to all membership at least sixty days prior to such annual meeting.