TENNESSEE SOCIETY OF HEALTH-SYSTEM PHARMACISTS

CONSTITUTION

Article I. Name and Objectives

(a) Name

This organization shall be known as the "Tennessee Society of Health-System Pharmacists", herein referred to as "TSHP".

(b) Objectives

The objectives of TSHP shall be:

1. To insure that the benefits, protection and counsel of qualified pharmacists are available to patients, health care institutions, members of the health professions, educational institutions, state and local governments and regulatory bodies, and to the public at large.

2. To assure a high quality professional practice through the establishment and maintenance of standards of professional ethics, a program of continuing education, and training programs for students and those practitioners who are new to institutional pharmacy, and through dissemination of pharmaceutical knowledge and techniques by providing a forum for the interchange of information among pharmacists and members of other health care professions.

3. To encourage and foster quality patient care through rational drug therapy and research in pharmacy practice and pharmaceutical sciences.

4. To foster through appropriate methods, the advancement of the pharmacy profession, especially as it applies to the institutional setting, through dissemination of information concerning the pharmacist’s role on the health care team.

5. To assist in providing an adequate supply of qualified institutional pharmacists.

6. To support ASHP's purposes as stated in the ASHP Charter, Article Third.

Article II. Membership and Definitions

(a) Membership

The membership of TSHP shall consist of active, associate, and honorary members.

(b) Definitions

1. Active Members — Pharmacists licensed by any state, district or territory of the United States who have paid dues as established by TSHP and who support the objectives of TSHP.
2. Associate Members — Individuals who have paid dues as established by TSHP, who support the objectives of TSHP, and who do not qualify for active membership.

3. Honorary Members — Individuals who are, or have been especially interested in and who have made outstanding contributions to pharmacy practice in Tennessee, and who support the objectives of TSHP.

Article III. Officers

The officers of TSHP shall be a President, a President-Elect, a Secretary/Treasurer, and a Secretary/Treasurer-Elect.

The President-Elect shall be elected annually for a term of one year and shall ascend upon completion of the term to the office of President whose term is one year. The Secretary/Treasurer-Elect shall be elected annually for a term of one year and shall ascend upon the completion of the term to the office of Secretary/Treasurer, whose term is also one year.

Article IV. Executive Committee

The Executive Committee of TSHP shall consist of the officers of TSHP and the Immediate Past President.

Article V. Student Chapter

Organizations of students in an accredited college of pharmacy may affiliate with TSHP upon approval of the Executive Committee.

Article VI. Affiliation

The TSHP may affiliate with other organizations under the conditions set forth in the By-Laws.

Article VII. Meetings

The TSHP shall conduct an Annual Meeting including a Business Session as specified in the By-Laws.

Article VIII. Amendments

Every proposition to amend this Constitution shall be submitted to the Executive Committee in writing by two or more active members at least ninety (90) days prior to an Annual Meeting. The proposed amendments shall be presented at the next Annual Meeting Business Session with a recommendation from the Executive Committee. Upon approval by a majority of the members present at the Annual Meeting Business Session, the proposed amendments shall be submitted to the entire membership by mail ballot. Approval by two-thirds of the votes cast is required to amend this Constitution.

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