

Articles of Association

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Article 1 | Name

Under the designation "International Association for Anthroposophic Pharmacy (IAAP)", an association exists in accordance with Art. 60 to 79 of the Swiss Civil Code with its registered office in Dornach, Switzerland, Medical Section at the Goetheanum, School of Spiritual Science.

Article 2 | Purpose, objective, and tasks

The IAAP is a non-profit international umbrella organisation for the national associations or sections, and individual members, of anthroposophic pharmaceutical practitioners.

The purpose of the IAAP is to improve the national and international care of everyone through the increased implementation and integration of anthroposophic pharmacy into national and international healthcare systems.

In detail, the objective and tasks are as follows:

- Representation of anthroposophic pharmaceutical practitioners in the anthroposophic medical movement and in public life at international level.
- Drawing up standards for training and advanced training in anthroposophic pharmacy to improve the supply of anthroposophic medicinal products in manufacturing, and advice for patients, physicians and therapists regarding such products.
- Drawing up standards for the quality, safety and efficacy of anthroposophic pharmacy and supporting their implementation in healthcare systems.
- Promotion of research in anthroposophic pharmacy.
- Preparation of and support in the preparation of anthroposophic pharmaceutical publications and training materials for anthroposophic pharmacy for international recognition in pharmaceutical professional circles.
- Building a collaborative network of anthroposophic pharmaceutical practitioners
- Initiating / coordinating international activities in anthroposophic pharmacy and in cooperation with partner organisations and medical specialist groups.

Article 3 | Membership

The IAAP is made up of national associations for anthroposophic pharmacy or sections for anthroposophic pharmacy within an anthroposophic medical association, co-opted members, individual anthroposophic pharmaceutical practitioners and honorary members.

3.1. Members with voting rights

3.1.1 National associations or sections

Members of the Association are national associations for anthroposophic pharmacy, recognised by the IAAP, or anthroposophic pharmaceutical sections within an anthroposophic medical association that delegate a pharmacist trained in anthroposophic pharmacy or practitioner trained in anthroposophic pharmacy to represent them in the IAAP. The IAAP Executive Board shall decide on admission.

3.1.2 Co-opted members

Experts can be appointed as co-opted members by the IAAP Executive Board for defined areas of responsibility.

3.2 Members without voting rights

3.2.1. Individual members

Individual pharmacists or pharmacy practitioners from countries without a national association or section may be admitted to the IAAP by the Executive Board.

3.2.2 Honorary members

Persons who have rendered outstanding services to anthroposophic pharmacy, irrespective of their training, may be appointed honorary members by the Executive Board.

3.3 Admission/resignation and expulsion of members

3.3.1 Admission

The declaration of joining must be in writing. The admission of new members shall be reviewed and undertaken by the Executive Board. A rejection must be justified in writing by the Executive Board and confirmed by the Delegate Meeting.

3.3.2 End of membership

Membership shall end upon death, resignation or exclusion.

3.3.3 Declaration of resignation

The declaration of resignation must be submitted in writing to the Executive Board at least one month before the end of the calendar year. In the event of non-compliance with this deadline, the membership will be extended by one year.

3.3.4 Complaints

Complaints about members of the IAAP will be received and examined by the Executive Board. The Executive Board shall draw up a recommendation to the Delegate Meeting on the measures to be taken.

3.3.5 Expulsion

Expulsion is effected by the Delegate Meeting at the request of the Executive Board in the event of gross offences against the interests or objectives of the IAAP or for other due cause. The member concerned must be given the opportunity to justify themselves.

Article 4 | Criteria for the recognition of national associations and sections

The following criteria must be met for a national association or anthroposophic pharmaceutical section to be recognised by the IAAP: The association has a constitution in which the aim and purpose of promoting anthroposophic pharmacy is enshrined. Full members of the respective national association or an anthroposophic pharmaceutical section must be able to demonstrate knowledge of anthroposophic pharmacy.

Article 5 | Individual members and their representation in the IAAP

Individuals from countries without a national society as defined by the IAAP can apply for individual membership of the IAAP. For an individual member to be admitted to the IAAP, the person concerned must be a pharmacist and have completed advanced training in anthroposophic pharmacy.

The individual member agrees with Art. 3.2.

Article 6 | Organisation

The organs are:

- Delegate Meeting (= Members' meeting)
- Executive Board
- Auditors

Article 7 | Delegates Meeting (= Members' Meeting)

The Delegate Meeting is the supreme body of the Association and shall be held at least once a year. The President shall issue invitations to the Delegate Meeting at least four weeks in advance, announcing the agenda items.

The Delegate Meeting is quorate if the members have been duly invited and informed of the agenda items to be discussed. The Delegate Meeting is quorate if at least half of the voting rights are present. Voting rights may be transferred in writing to other members with voting rights. However, only one additional voting right can be accepted per member. Motions can be submitted to the President 10 days before the meeting.

An extraordinary Delegate Meeting shall be convened if 1/5 of the voting members or the Executive Board so request. This must also be announced four weeks in advance and must take place within three months of the application at the latest.

Article 8 | Tasks of the Delegate Meeting

The following business is reserved for the Delegate Meeting:

- 8.1 Election of the Executive Board, the President and the Auditors.
- 8.2 Approval of the annual report, the annual financial statements and the budget.
- 8.3 Discharge of the Executive Board and the Auditors.
- 8.4 Affiliation with other associations/ societies.
- 8.5 Amendments to the Articles of Association with a two-thirds majority of the voting rights present.
- 8.6 Dissolution of the Association by a two-thirds majority of the voting rights present.
- 8.7 Determination of the annual membership fee.
- 8.8 Decisions on motions submitted by the Executive Board or by members.
- 8.9 Decisions on the expulsion of members by a two-thirds majority of the voting rights present.
- 8.10 Decision on the measures recommended by the Executive Board in the event of complaints procedures.

Article 9 | Executive Board

The Executive Board shall consist of at least 3 members (at least 3 countries must be represented).

The President shall be elected at the Delegate Meeting and shall represent the interests of the IAAP externally, prepare the annual report and convene the Delegate Meeting. In all other respects, the Executive Board shall constitute itself and enact rules of procedure.

The term of office is three years. Re-election is possible. The Executive Board shall constitute a quorum at official meetings within its scope of work if at least half of its members are present and shall pass its resolutions by a simple majority. The President shall vote on this committee. In the event of a tie, his/her vote shall count double. Minutes must be kept of the Executive Board meeting.

Article 10 | Authorisation to sign

The President shall be authorised to sign together with an authorised member of the Executive Board. The Treasurer shall be authorised to sign in accordance with the rules of procedure of the Executive Board.

Article 11 | Auditors

The Auditors shall be two members elected by the Delegate Meeting for a term of three years. The Delegate Meeting may also appoint an external auditor for a period of three years. The Auditors shall examine the receipts and annual financial statements and submit a written report to the Executive Board for the attention of the Delegate Meeting.

Article 12 | Election and voting rules

Members with voting rights have the right to vote and be elected. They can be elected to bodies of the Association. Voting shall be open. Votes shall only be conducted by secret ballot if 1/3 of the voting rights present so request. A simple majority is required, except for amendments to the Articles of Association, exclusion of members and dissolution of the Association. In such cases, a two-thirds majority of the voting rights present shall apply.

Article 13 | Resources

The Association's sources of income are

13.1 Membership fees

13.2 Donations, grants, sponsoring

The funds shall be used exclusively to fulfil the purpose of the Association in accordance with Art. 2. All purposes are of a non-material nature and not profit-oriented.

Article 14 | Financial year

The financial year runs from 1 September to 31 August

Article 15 | Liability

Only the Association's assets shall be liable to third parties. The personal liability of the members is excluded.

Article 16 | Dissolution

The Association may be dissolved by resolution of an Extraordinary Delegate Meeting convened for this purpose. In the event of dissolution, any assets of the Association shall be transferred to an organisation with similar objectives.

These Articles of Association were adopted at the General Meeting on 26 June 2024 and replaced the version dated 18 November 2022

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