



CONSTITUTION
OF THE
STUDENT ASSOCIATION
OF THE
AMERICAN COLLEGE OF OSTEOPATHIC
FAMILY PHYSICIANS
(SAACOF)

ARTICLE I

Name

Section 1 – The name of this organization shall be: The Student Association of the American College of Osteopathic Family Physicians.

ARTICLE II

Objectives

The Objectives of the SAACOF Shall Be:

Section 1 – To advance the standards of family practice in the field of Osteopathic Medicine and Surgery by encouraging and improving the educational opportunities for the training of family physicians in all branches of Osteopathic Medicine and Surgery.

Section 2 – To encourage establishment and/or expansion of residency programs in family medicine departments within hospitals.

Section 3 – To establish and promote a general understanding of the scope of the services rendered by the family physician and his/her relationship to other specialty groups.

Section 4 – To promote and maintain high moral and ethical standards in the practice of Osteopathic Medicine and Surgery.

ARTICLE III

Membership

Section 1 – The membership of this Association shall consist of one (1) class: Active

Section 2 – Each applicant for active membership in this Association shall be required to present evidence that he/she conforms to the following standards:

- a. Student Status in a School or College of Osteopathic Medicine
- b. Student membership in the American Osteopathic Association

Section 3 – All Active members shall have the right to vote and hold office in the Student Association of the American College of Osteopathic Family Physicians

ARTICLE IV

Anti-Discrimination

Section 1 – The National Student Executive Board or the local SAACOFPP Chapters shall not refuse membership on the basis of race, religion, color, sex, sexual preference, disability, national origin or creed.

ARTICLE V

Amendments

Section 1 – Amendments to this Constitution shall be made during the Spring National Convention of the American College of Osteopathic Family Physicians with the following provisions:

- a. Written notice containing the substance of the proposed amendment has been sent, not less than sixty (60) days prior to such meeting, to all delegates of the Student Association of the American College of Osteopathic Family Physicians.
- b. A proposed amendment is passed by a simple majority vote of the delegates present and seated for voting.
- c. Amendments approved by the process listed in b. above must receive final approval by the Board of Governors of ACOFP before they become effective.