

BY-LAWS

OF

**NORTH AMERICAN CHINESE MEDICAL PHYSICISTS
ASSOCIATION**

Article I. Name

The name of the Organization shall be North American Chinese Medical Physicists Association (NACMPA).

Article II. Jurisdiction

The Organization headquarters shall be located in Delaware and the Organization shall have the authority to solicit members primarily employed in North America.

Article III. Objectives

The objectives of the Organization are (1) to promote interests in the field of physics in medicine and biology, (2) to improve the practice of medical physics in its application to human health care, (3) to provide a forum for scientific exchange and interactions for medical physicists in North America, China, Taiwan, Hong Kong and other Asian Oceanic Countries and regions, and (4) to organize activities to promote scientific exchange of information in medical physics worldwide.

It is organized exclusively for charitable, scientific, and educational purposes as defined under section 501 (C) (3) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1954 (or the corresponding provision of any future United States Internal Revenue Law). No part of the net earnings of the Organization shall insure the benefit of, or be distributable to, its members, trustees, officers, or other private persons, except that the Organization shall be authorized and empowered to pay reasonable compensation for services rendered and to make payments and distributions in furtherance of the purposes set forth herein. No substantial part of the activities of the Organization shall be the carrying on of propaganda, or otherwise attempting to influence legislation, and the Organization shall not participate in, or intervene in (including the publishing or distribution of statements) any political campaign on behalf of any candidate for public office. Notwithstanding any other provision of these articles, the Organization shall not carry on any other activities not permitted to be carried on by (a) a corporation exempt from Federal Income Tax under section 501 (C) (3) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1954 or the corresponding provision of any future United States Internal Revenue Law, or (b) a corporation, contributions to which are deductible under Section 170 (C) (2) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1954 or any other corresponding provision of any future United States Internal Revenue Law. In the event of dissolution of the Organization, the Executive Committee, with the approval of the Board of Directors of the Organization shall pay or make provision for the payment of all the liabilities of the Organization. The residual assets of the Organization will be turned over to one or more organizations which themselves are exempt as organizations described in sections 501 (C) (3) and 170 (C) (2) of the

Internal Revenue Code of 1954 or corresponding sections of any prior or future Internal Revenue Code, or to the Federal, State, or Local government for exclusive public purpose, as the Executive Board shall determine.

Article IV. Membership

Section 1. There may be Full Members, Emeritus Members, Associate Members and Corporate Members.

Section 2. Full Members of the Organization shall be persons who are practicing medical physics, in hospitals, clinics, academic institutions, or in industry in North America.

Section 3. Associate Members of the Organization shall be persons who are interested in the purpose of the Organization, including medical physicists outside North America, and administrators, sales, marketing, and technical professionals in and outside North America.

Section 4. Emeritus Members are persons who have been a member of the Organization with good standing, have completed a career in medical physics in North America, and have retired from the field of medical physics.

Section 5. Corporate members are commercial vendors that share the same objectives of the Organization.

Section 6. Organization Membership dues shall be the same for Full Members and Associate Members. There shall be no dues for Emeritus Members. Dues shall be set up by the Executive Committee of the Organization, approved by the membership, and payable to the Organization at such time as determined by the Executive Committee.

Article V. Officers, Executive Committee, Board of Directors and Tenure

Section 1. The current officers of the Organization shall be the President, the President Elect, the Secretary, and the Treasurer. Eligibility to hold office is defined in Article VI of the By-Laws.

Section 2. The Executive Committee shall consist of the current officers. They shall be responsible for the affairs of the Organization. A majority of the Executive Committee shall constitute a quorum.

Section 3. The Board of Directors shall consist of the President, the President-Elect, the two most recent Past-Presidents and a Member At Large. The Chairman of the Board is the most recent Past-President.

Important matters, including monetary expenses over US\$3000, shall have the majority approval of the Board.

Section 4. The terms of office shall be two years for the President and the President-Elect, and two years for the Secretary, the Treasurer, and the Board Member At Large. After the two-year term, the President-Elect becomes the President and the President becomes the most recent Past-President. The Secretary and the Treasurer shall take office in alternative years. The terms of office start at the beginning of the calendar year following the annual business meeting. All current officers and the Board Member At Large must step down for at least one year before they are eligible for re-election. .

Section 5. Elections of Officers shall be conducted at the annual business meeting. The annual business meeting will be held between June and September of each calendar year, which can be at the time of the AAPM Annual Meeting. Elections of the Secretary and the Treasurer shall be in alternative years. The President-Elect and the Board Member At Large shall be elected every two years.

Section 6. If an officer resigns, or is unable to fulfill his/her duties as determined by the Board, or ceases to be a full member of the Organization, the vacancy so created shall be filled for the remainder of the current term. For the President position, it will be automatically filled by the President-Elect. For the Chairman of the Board it will be automatically filled by the immediately previous Past-President. For other officers and the Board Member At Large, the position will be filled by election through email ballot, or by direct election by the membership at the annual business meeting if it occurs within three months of the scheduled annual business meeting, or by the current officers and the newly elected officer(s) for the vacant position if it occurs between the annual business meeting and the new calendar year.

Article VI. Election and Nomination Committee

Section 1. Nominations for officers and the Board Member At Large shall be made by a Nominating Committee, consisting of two most recent Past-Presidents, and the Board Member At Large. The chairman of the Nomination Committee is the Chairman of the Board.

Section 2. The Nominating Committee shall select at least one nominee for each elective office, or two nominees if there are more than two candidates. A nominee shall be a Full Member of good standing to be eligible for election. Two Full Members of the Organization can submit nomination candidates. No nominee shall be eligible for election without his/her consent.

Section 3. A notice listing the nominees under Section 2 shall be sent to the membership at least two weeks before the election at the annual business meeting or the deadline for returning the mail (email) ballots.

Section 4. The Officers and the Board Member At Large shall be elected by Full Members of good standing.

Article VII. Meetings

Section 1. The business calendar year shall run from January 1 to December 31.

Section 2. Organization business meetings shall be held at times to be arranged by the Executive Committee during the calendar year. There shall be at least one business meeting per year. A petition of at least one-third of the membership shall cause a special meeting to be held.

Section 3. The Annual Business Meeting has traditionally been held during the annual meeting of the American Association of Physicists in Medicine (AAPM). Alternatively, it may be held in conjunction with a national or international conference in medical physics or related fields. A minimum of two elected officers and 10% of the membership shall constitute a quorum.

Article VIII. Amendments

Section 1. Amendments to the By-Laws shall have the majority support of the Board of Directors, and shall require the approval of the membership. This shall be conducted at the annual business meeting or by mail (email) ballot. Only Full Members of good standing are eligible for voting. A simple majority (51% or more) of the voting members shall decide the vote.

Section 2. Intended amendments should be circulated to the Membership at least four weeks prior to the annual business meeting or the deadline for returning mail (email) ballots.

Dated this 10th day of November, 2007



Signed by C-M Charlie Ma President Zhiheng Wang Secretary

For North American Chinese Medical Physicists Association