

NYSCHP BYLAWS

CHAPTER II. OFFICERS

- ARTICLE I. Composition: The officers of the Council shall be the President, Immediate Past President, President-Elect, Vice President of Public Policy and Treasurer.
- ARTICLE II. Nomination of the President-Elect: The Committee on Nominations shall present to the House of Delegates the name(s) of the candidate(s) together with a brief review of their professional background for the office of President-Elect.
- ARTICLE III. Election of the President-Elect: The Executive Director shall submit by mail, to every active member of the Council, the names of the candidates, together with a brief review of their professional background. The member shall indicate on the ballot his/her choice of a candidate for the office and return it to the Executive Director by mail within thirty days of the date printed on the ballot.
- ARTICLE IV. Ballots: The ballots of dues paid active members only, postmarked within thirty days of the date printed on the ballot, shall be submitted by the Executive Director to the Board of Canvassers, who shall count the votes. The Board of Canvassers shall certify to the President and Executive Director the results of the election. The Executive Director shall notify all candidates of the results of the election. The results shall be published in a publication of the Council to be distributed to the membership.
- ARTICLE V. Election of Vice President of Public Policy and Treasurer: The Vice President of Public Policy and Treasurer shall be nominated by the Board of Directors and elected by a majority vote of the members present at a meeting of the House of Delegates on alternate years for a two-year term of office. The election of the Treasurer shall be on alternate years with election of the Vice President of Public Policy.
- ARTICLE VI. Installation of Officers: The President-Elect, shall assume a place on the Board of Directors beginning with installation at the Annual Meeting of the Council following election and shall be installed as President at the next Annual Meeting of the Council. The Vice President of Public Policy and Treasurer shall be installed at the meeting at which they are elected by the House of Delegates.
- ARTICLE VII. Duties

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- A. President: The President shall be the principal elected official of the Council and shall be so recognized at all Council programs and activities. With approval of the Board of Directors, the President shall appoint all committee chairpersons. He/she shall appoint additional committees as needed. Except as otherwise provided, he/she shall fill all vacancies by appointment. He/she shall be an ex-officio member of all committees. He/she shall be a member of the Board of Directors and serve as its Chairperson. He/she shall be a member of the Executive Committee and Committee on Finance and shall serve as Chair of the Executive Committee. He/she shall prepare an address for presentation at the Annual Meeting.
- B. Immediate Past President: The Immediate Past President shall be a member of the Board of Directors and Executive Committee and Committee on Finance to provide support and advice on Council matters as deemed appropriate by the President. He/she shall serve as Vice Chairperson of the House of Delegates and, in the absence of both the President and President-Elect, shall serve as Chairperson of the Board.
- C. President-Elect: The President-Elect shall be a member of the Board of Directors and Executive Committee and Committee on Finance and shall serve as Vice Chair of the Executive Committee. He/she shall perform the duties of the President when the President is unable to do so. He/she shall assume other responsibilities as directed by the President and shall prepare an address for presentation at the Annual Meeting.
- D. Vice President of Public Policy: The Vice President of Public Policy shall be a member of the Board of Directors and Executive Committee and Committee on Finance and serve as primary liaison for the Council with legislative bodies and regulatory agencies.
- E. Treasurer: The Treasurer shall serve as a custodian of the Council's funds. He/she shall invest and disburse them at the direction of the Board of Directors. The Treasurer shall be a member of the Board of Directors and Executive Committee and Committee on Finance and shall serve as Chair of the Committee on Finance. He/she shall prepare periodic statements on the financial condition of the organization and present a report and financial statement to the House of Delegates at the Annual Meeting.

ARTICLE VIII. Vacancies: The Board of Directors shall fill all vacancies in the list of

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candidates which may occur by death or resignation after the adjournment of the Annual Meeting of the Council and prior to issuance of ballots. If the President becomes unable to perform the duties of his office, the President-Elect shall immediately ascend to the office of President. If both the President and President-Elect become unable to perform the duties of their offices, the Board of Directors shall appoint, from its membership, a President to serve for the balance of the unexpired term. At the next Annual Meeting of the Council, nominations shall be presented by the Committee on Nominations for the offices of President and President-Elect. They shall be elected according to the provisions of these Bylaws. If the Vice President of Public Policy or the Treasurer becomes unable to perform the duties of the office, the Board of Directors is empowered to fill such vacancy until the next Annual Meeting with nominations made according to the provisions of these Bylaws.