

**CONSTITUTION**

Article I – Names and Objectives

- 1. Name: The name of this organization shall be “The New York City Society of Health-system Pharmacists, Inc., hereafter referred to as the Society. The Society is a not-for-profit organization as defined under Chapter 501c of the New York State Business Code.
- 2. Objectives: The objectives of the Society shall be:
  - 2.1. To promote rational, patient oriented drug therapy and drug use control in organized health care settings.
  - 2.2. To assist in providing an adequate supply of qualified health-system pharmacists.
  - 2.3. To assure a high quality of professional practice through the establishment and maintenance of standards of professional ethics, competency, education and through the promotion of economic security.
  - 2.4. To promote research.
  - 2.5. To disseminate pharmaceutical knowledge by providing for outlets for interchange of information among hospital pharmacists and members of allied specialties and professions.
  - 2.6. To foster rational drug use in society through advocating appropriate public policies toward that end.

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Article II – Membership

- 1. The membership of the Society shall consist of active, associate and honorary members as provided in the Bylaws. All active and associate members shall be members of the New York State Council of Health-system Pharmacists, hereafter referred to as the Council. Active members are encouraged to be members of the American Society of Health-system Pharmacists.
- 2. Active members shall be pharmacists who are currently practicing pharmacy in an organized health care setting. Active members must meet any and all provisions and standards set forth by the Council and support the objectives of the Council.

Article III – Officers

The officers of the Society shall be the President, Immediate Past President, President-Elect, Secretary, and Treasurer. The officers shall be elected as provided in the Bylaws.

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Article IV – Board of Directors

There shall be a Board of Directors consisting of the elected officers of the Society, hereafter called the Board. Chairpersons of standing committees and special committees, not otherwise members of the Board, may be considered non-voting ex-officio members of the Board.

Article V – Affiliations

The New York State Council of Health-system Pharmacists

- 1. The Society shall be affiliated with the Council and shall foster the objectives of that organization. The Council shall represent and speak for the Society and its members in matters of State concern.
- 2. The Society shall be represented in the Council as described in the Constitution and Bylaws of the Council.

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Article VI – Amendments

Every proposition to alter or amend this Constitution shall be submitted in writing to the Chairperson of the Constitution and Bylaws Committee for the City Society, by two or more active members at least seven days in advance of a Board of Directors meeting. The Committee shall submit the amendment(s) with its recommendations for approval or disapproval to the Board at its next regular meeting. If a majority of the Board approved the propositions, it shall be submitted to the Board of Directors of the Council for its approval. If approved, the amendment(s) shall be submitted by Secretary to all active members of the Society for a vote. An amendment will require a two-thirds affirmative vote of the active members present to be approved. The Secretary shall notify the membership of the outcome of the vote before the next general membership meeting.

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