

**OCTOBER 10 & 12, 2008  
PROPOSAL C.  
(REVISED SEPTEMBER 19, 2008)**

**PROPOSAL:**           **MODIFY CSHP BYLAWS ARTICLE VI, SECTION 1,  
CLASSIFICATION AND VOTING MEMBERS TO INCLUDE  
TECHNICIAN MEMBERS**

**SUBMITTED BY:**    CSHP Board of Directors

**DATE:**                August 18, 2008

**DESCRIPTION OF CURRENT SITUATION:**

1.     Currently, the membership categories that are established exclude technicians from the active member category.
2.     Current CSHP policy does not allow technicians to vote in chapter's elections.
3.     Currently there are chapters allowing technicians to vote on issues and in their general elections.
4.     Currently there are chapters wanting to allow technicians to vote in their Chapter's elections; requesting changes to their bylaws.
5.     Currently there are Pharmacists and a Technician on the Board of Directors, which is to be representative of the CSHP membership community.
6.     The profession of pharmacy is changing whereby technician roles and responsibilities are expanding. This need to be reflected within CSHP.

CSHP Bylaws state that changes to the Bylaws can be made following the procedure below:

**DESCRIPTION OF DESIRED SITUATION:**

1.     CSHP advocates the advancement of the role of pharmacy technicians (Goal 2 Pharmacy Practice)
2.     This change would:
  - a.     Support goal #3 Organizational Directions and Goal #4 Membership Value of the CSHP Strategic Plan 2006-2009.
  - b.     Encourage Pharmacy Technician membership involvement
  - c.     Change how Technicians are regarded within the organization bringing a sense of equality, value, and contribution to CSHP Technician members.
  - d.     Recognize Pharmacy Technicians as partners in the pharmacy profession.
  - e.     Brings value to the CSHP community
3.     To encourage Chapters to establish a Technician Liaison and provide opportunities for Technicians within the Chapters

**PROPOSED ACTION(S):**

Revise CSHP Bylaws as follows:

ARTICLE IV - MEMBERSHIP  
SECTION 1. CLASSIFICATION AND VOTING MEMBERS

(a) Classification. Membership shall consist of the following classifications:

- (i) Active Members. Active members shall be pharmacists licensed by any state, district, or territory of the United States who support the purposes of CSHP.
- (ii) Resident/Fellow Members. Resident/Fellow members shall be enrolled in a pharmacy residency/fellowship program, who supports the purposes of CSHP.
- (iii) Honorary Members. Honorary members may be elected from among individuals who are or have been especially interested in, or who have made outstanding contributions to, pharmacy practice in organized health care settings. Honorary members shall not pay dues but may hold office and vote if otherwise eligible for active membership.

**(iv) Technician Members. Technician members shall be technicians licensed and or employed or retired by any state, territory, district of the US who support the purpose of CSHP, may be individuals who are employed or experienced as pharmacy technicians or employed by any government entity, and who support the purposes of CSHP**

**(v)** Associate Members. Associate members in the Society shall consist of supporting members, and student members ~~and technician members~~. Associate members shall receive publications and general communications of the Society, may attend meetings, may be granted the privilege of the floor, but shall not be entitled to hold an elected office, except as otherwise provided in these Bylaws

(A) Supporting members may be individuals other than licensed pharmacists who support the purposes of CSHP.

(B) Student members may be individuals enrolled in professional degree programs in an accredited college of pharmacy, in a pharmacy residency program, or in a technician-training program, and who support the purposes of CSHP.

~~(C) Technician members may be individuals who are employed or experienced as pharmacy technicians and who support the purposes of CSHP.~~

(b) Voting Members. Unless otherwise provided in these Bylaws, the term "voting member" as used in these Bylaws refers solely to Active, Resident/Fellow, and Honorary Members, provided the Honorary Member is otherwise eligible for active membership. **Technician Members may vote in chapter elections.** Other persons associated with the corporation may be referred to as members even though they are not voting members and no such reference shall confer active membership on anyone within the meaning of Section 5056 of the California Corporations Code. No person entitled to vote on any matter or in any capacity shall be entitled to more than one vote on each matter submitted to a vote by virtue of serving in any

- multiple capacity (i.e., no cumulative voting). (c) Membership Definition. Members shall be identified as “new” or “renewing”
- (i) New Member – a member who has joined CSHP for the first time and has never previously been a member in any category in the Society.
  - (ii) Renewing Member – a member who has been a member of CSHP at any time in the past. Renewing members may have a membership lapse of an unlimited time period. Upon re-activating a membership at any time, the member is defined as a “renewing” member. This includes members who may change categories, such as from pharmacy student member to new practitioner member or from new practitioner member to active member.