

FLORIDA SOCIETY OF HEALTH SYSTEM PHARMACISTS – POLITICAL ACTION COMMITTEE

PHARMACISTS FOR IMPROVED HEALTHCARE OUTCOMES

CHARTER and BY LAWS

MISSION

Pharmacists for Improved Healthcare Outcomes is the official political action committee (PAC) for the Florida Society of Health System Pharmacists (FSHP). Its mission is to help advance the profession of pharmacy through the support of those legislators who support the advancement of the pharmacy profession. The FSHP PAC solicits contributions from pharmacists, pharmacy technicians, pharmacy students, pharmacy residents, and other health care associates who want to support the profession of pharmacy.

PAC COMMITTEE AND OFFICERS

The Pharmacists for Improved Healthcare Outcomes PAC (FSHP PAC) will be managed by a PAC committee. This committee will be overseen and the PAC officers which consists of the PAC Chair, Treasurer, FSHP counsel and lobbyist, and the immediate past president of FSHP. Other ad hoc PAC committee members will be represented by members of FSHP from across the state of Florida. Ad hoc members will consist of one pharmacist from each regional FSHP chapter. Additionally, there will be one pharmacy student member added to the committee. Committee appointments will change at the same time as other FSHP officers and councils – August of each year. Application for appointments will be available on the FSHP website. All PAC committee members must be FSHP members.

FSHP Administrative Staff will assist and provide support to the FSHP PAC, however, no direct monetary funds will be provided from FSHP to the FSHP PAC.

The PAC will maintain compliance with the Florida Division of Elections. An outside organization (e.g. PAC Financial Management) will be utilized to maintain compliance with the Division of Elections. Distribution of funds to legislators will be according to all State and Federal laws and will be coordinated with the FSHP counsel/lobbyist and PAC treasurer. A summary of all distributions will be provided to the full PAC committee at their regular scheduled meetings.

To ensure appropriate financial oversight, the PAC chair or treasurer will provide the FSHP Board of Directors an update of the financial status on a quarterly basis. This update will include an overview of current PAC funds, a contributions summary, and a distribution summary. Any ongoing contribution efforts will be provided.

PAC OFFICERS and EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

PAC Chair:

The FSHP PAC Chair will consist of a three (3) year term. The PAC Chair is responsible for the overall execution of the PAC. The PAC Chair will be responsible for organizing all efforts to raise contributions to the PAC. The PAC chair will sit on the FSHP Legal and Regulatory council and will oversee distribution of funds to legislators or other political events or needs. The PAC Chair will set up regularly scheduled meetings of all PAC committee members. The PAC Chair will be appointed by the Board of Directors of FSHP. To be nominated for the PAC chair, one must have been an AD Hoc member for at least one year.

PAC Treasurer:

The PAC Treasurer will serve a 3 year term and be responsible for oversight of the PAC funds. The Treasurer will manage the bank account and disperse all funds under the direction of the committee. The Treasurer will give an overview of current PAC funds and distributions at each PAC meeting. To be nominated as the PAC Treasurer, one must have been an Ad Hoc member for at least one year. The PAC Treasurer will be appointed by the FSHP Board of Directors.

Immediate Past President of FSHP:

The Immediate Past President of FSHP will serve on the PAC for one year during their tenure as immediate past president. This individual will serve a one year term as an officer of the FSHP PAC. Their term will start in August 1st following their change to immediate past President of FSHP.

AD HOC Members (12 members):

Ad Hoc members will serve to support the PAC officers. They will be appointed by the PAC Chair and immediate past president of FSHP. The PAC chair will solicit members from each regional chapter to be Ad Hoc members as ideally there is one member from each regional chapter. Ad Hoc members will be responsible for fund raising efforts in the regional area along with general statewide fundraising efforts. Ad Hoc members must be FSHP members and ideally served as an officer of the regional chapter – although this is not a requirement.

Pharmacy Student Member:

The student member will be appointed by the PAC Chair. The student member will be an officer of a current student chapter of FSHP. The student member will be responsible for coordinating fundraising efforts by the various student chapters of FHSP.