

# Acupuncturists of Hawaii

## Board of Directors

### Code of Ethics

Directors of the Board are committed to the very highest ethical conduct, in carrying out its requirements under state and federal laws. Directors agree to:

1. Recognize that the primary responsibility of the Board is to advise and evaluate the Acupuncturists of Hawaii organization to best meet the membership needs of the entire profession.
2. Work with fellow Board members in a spirit of harmony and cooperation in spite of differences of opinion that may arise during discussion.
3. Base my personal decision upon all available facts in each situation; vote my honest conviction in every case, abide by and support the final majority decision of the board.
4. Keep in mind that as an individual I have no legal authority outside the meetings of the Board, and I will conduct any relationships with the staff, the local citizenry and news media on the basis of this fact.
5. That the Board Chairperson or designee serves as the official spokesperson and that the individual Board members will not represent themselves as speaking for the Board.
6. Resist every temptation and outside pressure to use my position to benefit either myself or any other individual or agency apart from the total interest of the association.
7. Review and analyze the association mission regularly.
8. Bear in mind that the Board accomplishes its responsibility to advise and evaluate the association by reviewing the policies by which the association is to be governed, but that the administration of the programs and the conduct of association business are the responsibility of the President.
9. Welcome and encourage active participation by stakeholders in establishing policy.
10. Assure the orderly operation of the Board by bringing potential agenda items to the Board Chairperson/President before bringing proposed agenda items to the Board table.
11. Be honest in requesting only authorized and legitimate reimbursement of expenses.
12. Be familiar with the duties imposed by law upon me as a member of the Board; to understand those duties and powers as set forth in the By-Laws; and to faithfully carry out those powers and duties to the best of my ability.

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