

The Statute Of The Serbian Medical Association

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GENERAL PROVISIONS

Article 1.

The Serbian Medical Association (in the further text Association) is the social organization of the doctors of medicine and dental medicine (in the further text doctors) of the Republic of Serbia whose aim is to improve the medical protection of the population, to stimulate the usage of medical and other scientific achievements, the development of the medical scientific research and to propose the standards for the system of medical protection and the organization of the medical service of the Republic of Serbia.

In the Association there are: The Medical Association of Vojvodina of the Serbian Medical Association, The Medical Association of Kosovo and Metohija of the Serbian Medical Association and The Academy of Medical Science of the Serbian Medical Association.

Article 2.

The Association is the part of The Union of Medical Associations of Yugoslavia.

Article 3.

The activity and work of the Association takes place on the territory of the Republic of Serbia with the possibility of establishing of branches outside of The Republic of Serbia.

Article 4.

For the realization of assignments and aims The Association is organized as a functional unit with the integral, professional, social and economical connectivity of all the organizational forms of The Association which is achieved on delegate principle.

Besides The Medical Association of Vojvodina of the Serbian Medical Association, The Medical Association of Kosovo and Metohija of the Serbian Medical Association (in the further text: the Medical Association of Vojvodina, the Medical Association of Kosovo and Metohija) and the Academy of the Medical Science of the Association, the other organizational forms are the branch of Belgrade, district branches, community and basic branches as well as specialist sections.

Article 5.

All the organizational forms from the subsection 2, of the Article 4, of the Statute have the obligation to inform the Association of their activities through the Association Secretariat and to answer all the announcements of the Assembly, the Presidency or the Executive Committee of the Association to achieve complete coordination of all decisions and activities.

All the organizational forms have material and financial obligation to the Association all in accordance with this Statute and the decisions of the Assembly of the Association.

Article 6.

The headquarters of the Association is at 19 George Washington St, Belgrade.

Article 7.

The Association has the characteristic of the legal person.

The Association does its duty under the name: **The Serbian Medical Association**. The action of the Association is public.

The Association for all its obligations that have become due in the legal turnover with the third party is responsible with the own property in the whole.

Article 8

The president, two vice-presidents and general secretary of Association with limited authorities according to the decisions of the Assembly, the Presidency of the Assembly and the Executive Committee of The Serbian Medical Association present the Association.

Article 9.

The Association Secretariat does the professional, legal, financial, publishing, administrative, technical and other activities of the Association.

Article 10.

The Association has its stamp and its seal.

The stamp is round with the following text: "THE SERBIAN MEDICAL ASSOCIATION- BELGRADE ", founded on April 22nd 1872, and The Staff of Asclepius with the snake in the middle of the stamp.

The seal is rectangular with dimensions of 7x 13 cm.

The stamp and the seal are in the possession of the Medical Association of Vojvodina, the Medical Association of Kosovo and Metohija, the Academy of Medical Science of the Serbian Medical Association (in the further text: Academy), the branch of Belgrade, district, community and basic branches and specialized sections of the Association.

The text on the seal and the stamp is written in the Serbian language, in Cyrillic's, and in the places where the ethnic groups live the text is written in the languages of these groups according to the law.

Article 11.

In the Association and also in its organizational activity forms the collective work is organized and applied as well as personal and collective responsibility.

Article 12.

All organizational activity forms within the Association are obliged to introduce their own normative provisions brought into line with this Statute.

The consent to the provisions mentioned in the subsection 1, of the Article is given by the Presidency of the Assembly of the Association.

The Medical Association of Vojvodina, the Medical Association of Kosovo and Metohija, the Academy, the branch of the city of Belgrade, branches and sections are allowed to start work not until after the adoption of their normative provisions (the decision of foundation, regulations, the book of rules and statutes) at the conference of the Presidency of the Assembly of the Association.

All organizational activity forms of the Association have in accordance with their own normative provisions a claim upon establishing temporary or permanent commissions, boards, actives, working groups and other bodies aiming at more effective work.

II THE AIMS OF THE ASSOCIATION

Article 13.

The aims of the Serbian Medical Association founded under the Constitution and the laws of the Republic of Serbia are as follows:

- the continuous advancement of the health care of people,
- putting forward suggestions to improve and protect the population at all levels of health care service,
- permanent professional working on of doctors of all profiles in order to follow and to be in the course as well as to apply the latest medical field knowledge,
- to follow and to keep encouraging the application of ethical principles in doctors' work,
- organized and constructive suggesting to the state and social organizations, bodies and community groups which would allow for doctors working conditions in accordance with the current achievements in order to provide the patients with more efficient medical care as well as to evaluate the work of doctors as laid down by the law and the collective agreement.

- taking care of traditions from the past days of the Serbian, Yugoslav and world medicine,
- the cooperation with the medical associations within the Union of the Medical Associations of Yugoslavia and also the cooperation with various medical associations of other countries due to constant exchange of professional and scientific experience as well as the cooperation with other organizations going for improving caring within society.

III THE ASSOCIATION ASSIGNMENT

Article 14.

For the purpose of realization of the aims setting out in the Article 13, above of the Statute the Association has the following assignments:

- to provide the opportunity for each member of the Association to impact on targeting and make contributions to achieve goals of the Association through the organizations they belong to,
- to be opened for all positive influence of the social community and to take an active part in all the fields of social life concerning protecting the health of people and improvement on caring system as well as on working and living environments,
- to assist in all segments of the social community and to put forward the ideas referring to protection of the health of people and further improvement in it as well as to coordinate the process of harmonizing and enacting the unique medical viewpoints. to have an effect with expert and scientific arguments on the legal enactments covering the protection of the health and environment,
- to define the most adequate way to bring a lot more young doctors in the Serbian Medical Association immediately after finishing the faculty,
- to support the appropriate application of all ethical regulations and standards and to develop suitable conditions of undisturbed work for employees in the Association Secretariat as well as for publishing work including adequate space, finances and corresponding technical equipment.

IV THE WORK OF THE ASSOCIATION

Article 15.

The activity of the Association covers:

- the coordination and integration of work of The Medical Association of Vojvodina, The Medical Association of Kosovo and Metohija, The Academy, the branch of the city of Belgrade, of work of district, community and basic branches and the other forms of the Association activities,
- taking part in studying and monitoring of health caring system and health service management including suggestions about measures and how best to approve them,
- the organizations of congresses, symposia, seminars and other similar expert and scientific gatherings and conferences in cooperation with the health institutions, faculties and likes of them,
- the encouragement to scientific-research work in all medical science fields and similar sciences but especially through the activity of the Academy,
- direct cooperation with the pro per authorities and stating opinions on the bills and normative provisions which are there to regulate all in the health caring system and the medical service management,
- taking part in the activity of the Union of Medical Associations of Yugoslavia,
- the cooperation with the state authorities, organizations, community groups, chambers, different associations, etc,
- the cooperation with the international medical associations and participation in the international expert and scientific gatherings,
- the cooperation with The World Health Organization,
- the cooperation with the medical and dental medicine students' organizations,
- the submission of proposals for the syllabuses at the Faculties of Medicine and Dental Medicine as well as the postgraduate studies,
- awarding and giving recognitions to the members of the Association, best students graduated from the Faculty of Medicine or the Faculty of Dental Medicine and the other meritorious people,
- suggesting that some prominent members of the Association earn 3;. social award in recognition of their success,

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- suggestion of prominent members of the Association for the Serbian Academy of Science and Arts,
- the publishing activity of the Association developing through expert journals, supplements, miscellaneous publications and brochures,
- the issue of forms for a medical certificate and collection of historical documents and materials in the field of medicine and other similar sciences,
- collecting, obtaining, safe keeping and using of librarian materials in the medicine field and field of other similar sciences,
- and doing other activities in order to achieve particular aims of the Association.

V THE MEMBERS OF THE ASSOCIATION

1. Full members of the Association

Article 16.

Every doctor is eligible to apply for the full membership of the Association at his/her own dem and after declaring it in writing and after accepting the Statute of the Association. Also, every full member of the Association has to pay regularly the annual membership subscription. A full member of the Association is provided with a membership card. Unemployed doctors pay 25% and retired ones 50% of the membership subscription.

2. Claims and Duties of the Members

Article 17.

A full member of the Association is entitled to take part in all activities of the Association and has a claim upon being chosen for any bodies of the Association.

Article 18.

Full members of the Association have the following duties:

- 1) to support a good reputation of the Association and the doctor's vocation holding on to the code of medical ethics as well as to other similar ethical standards,
- 2) to direct their activities to the accomplishment of the basic objectives and assignments of the Association determined by this Statute,
- 3) to pay the membership subscription regularly and to carry out the other obligations to the Association.

Article 19.

Those doctors who are not the members or have given up being the members of the Association do not have right:

- 1) to vote or to be chosen for the bodies of the Association, for the branches or specialist sections and to speak for them, as well,
- 2) to publish their expert or research works in the publications of the Association, the branches or specialist sections,
- 3) either to be awarded or to be given the public honors of the Serbian Medical Association, also they are not allowed to be recommended by any of the Association bodies for any plaudits or awards from the society.

3. The Termination of the Membership

Article 20.

The membership of the Association can be suspended:

- 2) by withdrawing from the Association,
- 3) due to unpaid membership subscription for one year but after addressing a written notice,
- 3) after becoming aware of the final judgment by which the sentence was pronounced with imposing a ban on exercising of doctor's activities,
- 4) in case of death.

4. The Honorary Members of the Association

Article 21.

The honorary members of the Association are chosen by the Presidency of the Association Assembly but on the suggestion of the Academy, the Executive Board, branches and the specialist sections.

Doctors, scientific or educational workers and same goes for any other citizens of Yugoslavia or foreign citizens having made a considerable contribution to ward the medical science development, health-care education of people or influenced on the activity of the Association in any other ways are allowed to be the honorary members of the Association.

5. The Benefactors of the Association

Article 22.

Every citizen of Yugoslavia or a foreign citizen as well as a corporation having made a present to the Association or bequeathed the worthwhile movables, the real estate or personal finances (legates, pious endowment, funds, etc.) is allowed to become a benefactor of the Association. The Assembly comes to a decision about a benefactor of the Association on the suggestion of the Presidency of the Association Assembly.

VI THE ORGANIZATION OF THE ASSOCIATION

Article 23.

The objectives and assignments of the Association are accomplished through the following organizational forms of activity:

The Medical Association of Vojvodina, The Medical Association of Kosovo and Metohija, the branch of the city of Belgrade, district, community and basic branches, specialist sections, sub-specialist sections, intersection boards, commissions and other bodies and organs of the Association.

The special organizational form of the Association activity is the Academy.

Article 24.

The Medical Association of Vojvodina and the Medical Association of Kosovo and Metohija are based on the same principles as the Serbian Medical Association.

The Medical Association of Vojvodina and the Medical Association of Kosovo and Metohija get the capacity of a legal person and they develop their own statutes in accordance with the Statute of the Serbian Medical Association.

Article 25.

The branches and specialist sections set their own provisions and with them they also regulate and control the membership subscription of the Association.

The collected subscriptions as well as the other incomes of the section-branch are paid to the transfer-account of the Association and this money is on the special account of the Association.

The sections - branches use the money said in the previous paragraph of this article individually and their expenses must be planned only up to the available financial resources.

Article 26.

The basic branch is a basic organization unit of the Association.

The basic branch can be formed in a health centre where there are at least 20 doctorsthe association members.

In the health centre where there are no conditions to form basic branches or independent doctors, the assets of doctors who will be joined to the territorial closest branch can be formed.

Article 27.

By the decision of forming the basic branch the questions of organization, activities, mandates, duties, responsibilities etc., are regulated in details according to the Statute.

Article 28.

The organs of the basic branch are: The Assembly, The Presidency of the Assembly and the president of the Assembly of the basic branch.

Article 29.

The highest managing organ of the basic branch is the Assembly.

The Assembly of the basic branch that has fewer than 150 doctors- members of the Association is consisted of all members.

In a health centre where there are more than 150 doctors - members of the Association, the delegates constitute the Assembly.

The number of delegates in relation to the number of members is defined by the decision of formation a branch.

Article 30.

The Presidency of the Assembly of the basic branch is the collective organ of members who are chosen by the Assembly of the basic branch.

The mandate of the members of the Presidency lasts 2 years as well as the mandate of the members of the Assembly with the possibility of one more election.

The Presidency chooses among its members the president who is also the President of the branch with the same mandate as all the other members of the Presidency and the Assembly.

Article 31.

The basic branches can have the capacity of legal person.

Article 32.

The basic branch chooses one delegate for the Assembly of the local branch, while the branches that have more than 150 members, on every new 150 members choose one delegate more.

2. Community branches

Article 33.

In order to connect and coordinate the work, two or more basic branches can form the community branch.

In the community where there is only one health centre the local branch is directly formed.

Article 34.

The organs of the community branch are: The Assembly, The Presidency of the Assembly and the President of the Assembly of local branch, while the community branch which has the capacity of legal person chooses the financial commission consisted of three members at least.

The members' mandate in the organs of community branch last 2 years with the possibility of one more election.

The community branches can have the capacity of legal person.

Article 35.

The Assembly of community branch is the highest organ of controlling and is consisted of the delegates of basic branches.

The election mode and the number of delegates from the basic branches in the Community Branch Assembly are organized in conformity with the Regulations of work of the community branch.

The Community Branch Assembly that has fewer than 150 doctors is consisted of all the members.

Article 36.

The Community Branch Assembly chooses among its members the delegates for the district branch according to the work regulations of the district branch.

Article 37.

The Assembly of the community branch chooses among its members the members of the Presidency, as well as its executive organ in conformity with the work regulations of the community branch.

The Presidency of Assembly chooses among its members the President of the Presidency of the Assembly who is also the President of the community branch.

3. The District Branches

Article 38.

In the aim of work cooperation and successful solution of common questions, interest and aims, the basic and community branches gather into a district branch.

District branches can form two or more community branches.

Article 39.

A district branch can have the capacity of legal person.

Article 40.

The organs of a district branch are: The Assembly, The Presidency of the Assembly and the President of the District Branch.

If the branch has the capacity of legal person the financial commission of three members is also chosen.

Article 41.

The highest managing organ of a district branch is the Assembly of the District Branch.

The Assembly of the district branch that has fewer than 150 members of the Association is consisted of all the members.

In the district branches where there are more than 150 doctors, The Assembly is constituted of delegates.

The mandate of the members of the Assembly lasts 2 years with the possibility of one more election.

The election mode and the number of delegates of community branches who are elected for the District Branch Assembly are regulated by the work regulations of district branch, which is in accordance with this Statute.

Article 42.

The Presidency of a district branch is the executive organ of the Assembly, which is elected by the District Branch Assembly among its members.

4. The District Branch of the city of Belgrade

Article 43.

In the aim of work cooperation and more successful solution of common questions, interests, aims, basic and community branches in Belgrade and independent doctors gather into the branch of the city of Belgrade.

Article 44.

On the territory of the city of Belgrade the basic branches are formed in: health centres, clinics, clinic hospitals, institutes, specialized individual hospitals and the Military Medical Academy.

In the aim of work coordination and connection, basic branches and suitable clinic hospital centres can form community branches.

Article 45.

The provisions of this Statute, which regard to basic, community and district branches, also relate to all branches on the territory of Belgrade.

Basic and community branches as well as the branch of Belgrade bring their normative provisions where the questions of their activities, organizations, mandates and further connections are regulated according to the provisions of this Statute.

5. Specialist Sections

Article 46.

In the purpose to realize the aims and duties of the Association, there are and also can be established within the Association special sections in different fields of medicine and dental medicine regulated by the Rulebook of specializations and sub-specializations. The specialist sections gather the members of the Association of particular fields in the aim of better expert work in the particular fields of medicine.

Article 47.

As a particular method of work the intersectional committees can be formed to gather some experts of groups of different specialties that treat specific problems and in the same time surpass the field of one specialty.

Article 48.

The decision of formation the specialist sections is brought by the Presidency of the Association on own initiative or at the proposal of at least 20 members specialists of the particular field of medicine.

The decision of forming the intersectional committees is brought by the Presidency at the proposal of at least 20 members who treat the particular problem with the accord of parent sections the members - proposers belong to.

The provisions of this Statute for the organization of intersectional committees are the same as for the provisions for the specialist sections.

The member of a specialist section of the Serbian Medical Association can be every doctor-specialist who is the member of the Association. The doctors who are not the specialists for the particular field of medicine as well the doctors who are interested in that field can attend the meetings of the specialist sections.

Article 49.

The organs of the specialist sections are: the Assembly, the Presidency and the financial commission whose mandate lasts two years.

According to the rulebook for specialist sections of the Association it can be provided that the Assembly of the section is consisted of all the members of the section (smaller sections) or is constituted on the principle of delegates (the sections with more than 100 members).

The Presidency of the Section Assembly chooses among its members the President of the Presidency who is also the President of the Section.

The Mandate of the President lasts two years with the possibility of one more election.

Article 50.

From the moment of formation specialist sections of the Association are obligated to keep files of their members, to send them to the Secretariat of the Association and to inform about all changes in the section.

The sections have the obligation to send their answers and opinions about different requests of the Association within 30 days from the day of the request reception.

Article 51.

The section Assembly can choose the honorary presidents of a section on the proposal of the Presidency of the Section Assembly.

On the proposal of the Presidency the Assembly of the section chooses the members-cooperators of the section (not doctors) and the work rulebook of the specialist section regulates this.

Article 52.

The rulebook of work of the Association Specialist Section regulates all the questions about activities, organ election, responsibilities, duties etc, in accordance of this Statute.

The Section Assembly brings the work rulebook of the section on the proposal of its Assembly Presidency and it comes into force after the confirmation of the Presidency of the Serbian Medical Association Assembly.

VII The Academy of Medical Science

Article 53.

For the purpose of medical, scientific and research work as well as the other Association activities of the permanent importance for the improvement of health protection and health condition of the population, there is the Academy of Medical Science (in the further text: the Academy) within the Association.

Article 54.

For the aim of expert and scientific research, the Academy especially does the following assignments and duties:

1. follows and supports the development of scientific work, fundamental and applicable research in the all fields of medicine and contributes the permanent development of medical thoughts in that way,
2. follows and study the system of health protection and the organization of the health service and on the basis of that defines the scientific basis of system and the principles for their modern organization,
3. defines the doctrinaire attitudes about the specific question in medicine, dental medicine and other similar sciences essential for the work and development of the expert and scientific work in these fields,
4. with its activity and on the basis of the defined attitudes, supports the development of scientific research in the health and other institutions,
5. determines its scientific programme of the importance for the development and the encouragement of the health condition of population as well as the modern health service organization. With its action the Academy realizes the complete cooperation with the authorities to whom it suggests its opinions,
6. suggests to authorities and medical institutions the methods and the ways of programming the scientific work especially for those problems which are of the importance for the national pathology,
7. follows and explores according to scientific competency, the tuition at the Faculties of medicine and dental medicine and in the cooperation with them the Academy gives its suggestions for the modern process of education (undergraduate and postgraduate) of medical workers.
8. on the basis of its doctrinaire attitudes influences on the scientific research and its development in medicine, dental medicine and other similar sciences,
9. submits its doctrinaire and expert attitudes to the authorities and institutions and upgrades the social importance of scientific work in the area of medical protection and the evaluation of scientific work,
10. follows and studies the problems of health protection and health service during the state of emergency and gives the activity instructions in these circumstances,
11. according to the expert and scientific facts reached with the methods of modern and scientific research, the Academy gives its suggestions for the coordination of plans and programmes for the expert and scientific improvement of medical workers,

12. publishes its expert and scientific publications.

Article 55.

The Academy works under the name "The Academy of Medical Sciences of the Serbian Medical Association".

The address of the Academy is in Belgrade, 19, Džordža Vasiingtona Street.

The Academy is a specific organizing unit of the Serbian Medical Association and it does not have the capacity of legal person.

Article 56.

The Work mlebook of the Serbian Medical Association regulates the Academy work method and other questions related to the Academy work.

The Academy Assembly brings the mlebook mentioned in the previous paragraph. After the Association Presidency accepts the Academy work mlebook, the Academy can start working.

Article 57.

The members of the Academy are chosen among the members of the Serbian Medical Association who have promoted the medical thoughts and scientific research with their scientific and expert work.

The Academy Assembly elects the members of the Academy at the suggestion of the Presidency of the Academy Assembly.

The members of the Academy can be full, honorary and associate members.

The provisions of this Statute apply to all the questions that are not regulated by the Academy work mIebook.

VIII The Association Organs

Article 58.

The Association organs are:

1. The Assembly
2. The Presidency of Assembly
3. The President, The Vice- president and the General Secretary
4. The Executive Committee
5. The Financial Commission
6. The Committee of Ethics
7. The Commissions

1. The Association Assembly

Article 59.

The Assembly is consisted of:

1. The delegates of the district branches; 1 delegate per 150 members,
2. 1 delegate from every specialist section which has more than 100 members,
3. 5 delegates of the Academy of Medical Science,
4. 3 delegates of the branch of the Military Medical Academy,

The mandate of the Assembly delegate lasts two years with the possibility of one consecutive election.

Article 60.

The action of the Assembly is public as arule.

The publicity of the Assembly is achieved with the free presence of the Association members, the representatives of authorities and organizations as well as the presence of the media.

Article 61.

The activity of the Assembly is shown through the sessions.

The sessions are held, as circumstances require, but once a year at least. The Assembly can be held if more than a half of delegates are present.

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The decision of the Assembly is legally valid if it is declared by the two thirds of the present delegates.

Article 62.

The Assembly sessions are convened by the president of the Association or in his absence by the vice- president.

The president of the Association is obligated to call a session if it is demanded by:

The Medical Association of Vojvodina, the Medical Association of Kosovo and Metohija, the Academy, The Presidency, The Executive Committee, three district branches or a third of the Association.

Article 63.

The president of the Association is obligated to call a session at least 45 days from the reception of the Assembly session demand.

According to the rule the call to a session of the Assembly is delivered to the delegates and the other invited at least 10 days ahead, except in the particular circumstances 7 days before session.

Article 64.

The Assembly does the following assignments:

1. sets the Statute and other general official papers of the Association
2. sets the Standing Orders of the Assembly
3. brings the decisions about the costs and usage of the Association resources above the limit anticipated for the Association organs
4. brings the decisions and considers the questions that are not the responsibility of any other Association organs
5. chooses the Presidency of Assembly
6. chooses 5 members of the Financial Commission
7. chooses the honorary representatives of the Association under the suggestion of the Presidency

8. defines the domain of work, the development politics and the aspects of Association activities in purpose of realization expert and social interests and aims in the field of medical care,
9. defines the general number of the members of the Academy of the Serbian Medical Association,
10. controls the financial plan and final account of the Association
11. does other assignments anticipated by the provisions of the Statute, other general acts or regulations of the Association

2. The Presidency of the Assembly of the Association

Article 65.

The Assembly of its delegates constitutes the Presidency of Assembly (in the further text the Presidency).

The Presidency is an executive organ of the Assembly which manages the Association between two sessions of the Assembly.

Article 66.

The Presidency is a collective organ where all its members have equal rights, duties and responsibilities.

Article 67.

The members chosen by the Presidency are:

1. one delegate from the district branches, but the branches with more than 500 members choose a delegate more for 500 new members
2. three delegates from the dental medicine section
3. two delegates from the Academy of the Serbian Medical Association
4. two delegates from the district of the Military Medical Academy .

Article 68.

The Presidency mandate lasts two years with the possibility of one consecutive election.

The Presidency among its members chooses a president, two vice-presidents and a general secretary of the Association, whose mandate s last as long as the Presidency mandate.

Article 69.

The activity of the Presidency is shown through the sessions.

The president of the Association calls the sessions and runs the Presidency.

The vice- president calls and runs the session if the president is unable.

The presidency is obligated to call and run a session once in the period of three months or more frequently if it is needed.

A session can be convened if a half of the Presidency members are present.

Every decision of the Presidency is legally valid if it has been declared by the two thirds of present members.

Article 70.

The Presidency carries out the following assignments:

1. chooses the Executive Committee among the members of the Presidency,
2. chooses a president, two vice-presidents and a general secretary of the Association among the members of the Presidency,
3. chooses a president and members of the jury for the annual award of the Serbian Medical Association,
4. chooses a president and the members of the Publishing Council of the Association according to the law and this Statute,
5. chooses the members of the permanent and temporary commissions,
6. appoints general and responsible editors, members of the editorial committee, magazines, papers and other Association publications according to this Statute and general provisions of the Association and makes the publishing schedule,

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7. gives the consent to the choice of candidates of the Academy of Medical Sciences for the candidates of the Serbian Academy of Sciences and Arts,
8. completes and manages the decisions, conclusions and suggestions of the Association Assembly,
9. organizes and manages the Association activity according to the Statute, authorities and decisions of the Association Assembly,
10. gives the activity schedule and the financial plan of the Association,
11. gives the Rulebook of work,
12. gives the decisions about awards, medallions, certificates of merit, scrolls of honor of the Association at the suggestion of the Award Commission and the Acclaim Commission of the Association,
13. makes the decision about the membership subscription fee as well as about its arrangement and about the subscription rate for the Association publishes,
14. makes the decision about the foundation and annulment of the specialist sections according to the established criteria,
15. defines the proposal of the Statute as well as the proposal of amendments of the Statute by the Assembly,
16. defines the proposal of the Rulebook of the Assembly and other normative provisions suggested by the Association Assembly,
17. gives the consent to normative provisions of the Academy, branches and specialist sections of the Association as well as to the statutes of the Medical Association of Vojvodina and the Medical Association of Kosovo and Metohija,
18. accepts the financial plan and final account of the Association, within the additional verification of the Association Assembly,
19. supplies to the Assembly with the work report,
20. prepares sessions of the Association Assembly and calls the Assembly into the sessions,
21. gives the consent to the general provisions of the Secretariat and names its head of the Secretariat,
22. chooses the Committee of Ethics and commissions of the Association,
23. suggests the honorary members and benefactors of the Association,

24. does other assignments of the Association given by this Statute, general provisions, decisions or conclusions of the Association Assembly, laws and other official documents,etc.

Article 71.

The other members of the Association, the presidents of branches, sections and other Association organs can attend the sessions if they are needed or invited.

The president of the Association decides about the need of somebody's attendance.

Article 72.

The questions about the Presidency's duties, not regulated by this Statute, are in details regulated by the Presidency Standing Orders.

The Presidency Standing Orders are given by the Presidency on the suggestion of the Executive Committee.

The Presidency Standing Orders also include the provisions of working manner of the Executive Committee.

3. President, vice-presidents and general secretary

Article 73.

Only the members who have achieved remarkable results in the Serbian Medical Association through sections, branches and other organs can be chosen for a president, vice-presidents or a general secretary of the Association.

Article 74.

The mandate of the president of the Association lasts two years with the possibility of one consecutive election.

Article 75.

The provisions from the article 74. of this Statute refers to the vice-presidents and the general secretary of the Association as well.

Article 76.

The rights and the obligations of the President are as follows:

- presents and holds the brief for the Serbian Medical Association With all the rights and authorities given by the Statute and the law,
- calls the sessions of the Assembly, the Presidency and the Executive Committee and manages their work,
- signs all the decisions and other provisions given by the Assembly, the Presidency and the Executive Committee and is responsible for their realization,
- the president of the Association is at the same time the president Of the Assembly, Presidency and Executive Commirtee,
- is responsible for the working legality of the Serbian Medical Association,
- organizes, directs and coordinates the work of the Serbian Medical Association and cooperates with the Ministry of Health of the Republic of Serbia, The Institute of Medical Care of the Republic of Serbia, The Faculties of Medicine and Dental Medicine as well as with all other organizations and societies in the field of health,
- controls the work of all the organs of the Association and the Secretary of the Association,
- some of the authorities of this domain the president is allowed to delegate to the vice-president and the general secretary of the Association in the purpose of the more efficient work.

Article 77.

In the absence or the inability of the president the vice-presidents fulfill his duties and obligations under his authorization.

According to the article 76. of this Statute, the vice-president can permanently do the assignments authorized by the president, the Presidency or the Executive Committee.

Article 78.

The general secretary carries out the decisions of the Association organs and directly coordinates and supervises the work of the organizational Association forms, working groups and the Secretariat of the Association.

He/ she takes care of the completion of some regulations of the Statute and other provisions of the Association and is responsible for its completion in time.

He/ she signs alongwith the president the provisions and the decisions of the Assembly, the Presidency, The Executive Committee, the Secretary of the Association and other organs and forms of the Association.

He/ she helps the president to do the organizational and administrative assignments. He/ she controls the legality of the work of the Secretariat and the Association organs.

4. The Executive Committee of the Presidency

Article 79.

The Executive Committee of the Presidency is an executive organ of the Presidency, which carries out and is concerned about the realization of the decisions and the conclusions of the Presidency between two sessions.

Article 80.

The Executive Committee of the Presidency is constituted of 13 members and they are: a president, 2 vice-presidents, a general secretary, a president of the Academy and 8 more members among the Presidency where one member at least is the member of the Medical Association of Vojvodina, the Medical Association of Kosovo and Metohija, the Military Medical Academy branch and the Dental Medicine section.

The president of the Association or the vice-president in the absence of the president calls for and runs the Executive Committee sessions.

Article 81.

The Executive Committee of the Presidency does the following assignment:

1. prepares the draft of the Statute as well as its amendments on the suggestion of the Commission for the normative provisions,
2. prepares the suggestion of the Standing Orders of the Presidency, the suggestions of the rulebook, decisions and conclusions given by the Presidency,
3. prepares the work report and delivers it to the Presidency,
4. prepares the sessions of the Presidency and the Assembly,
5. prepares the suggestion of the Presidency working programme,
6. solves the urgent current questions of the Association between two sessions,
7. analyses and prepares the suggestion of the financial plan and final account and delivers it to the Assembly to be adopted,
8. cooperates with the branches and sections,
9. supervises the work of the Secretariat of the Association,
10. proposes to the Presidency the frames of the Publishing Council and names the editors-in chief and managing editors and members of the editorial boards of the magazines, papers and other Association editions,
11. executes the duties of the Presidency,
12. constitutes the suggestion for the members of the Committee of Ethics, all commissions and committees of the Association,
13. constitutes the form of the medical certificate, medical-care card and other medical forms and decides their prices,
14. does other assignments given by the Statute, other general provisions, decisions, conclusions and suggestions of the Presidency.

5. The Financial Commission of the Association

Article 82.

The Financial Commission of the Association controls the entire material-financial business of the Association and controls the application of the articles referring to the financial business.

The Financial Commission is consisted of 5 members.

The mandate of the Financial Commission members lasts two years with the possibility of one consecutive election.

Article 83.

The rights and the duties of the Association Financial Commission are regulated by the Standing Orders of the Financial Commission given by the Presidency on the suggestion of the Commission for the normative action of the Association.

6. The Committee of Ethics

Article 84.

The Presidency chooses the Committee of Ethics among the members of the Association.

The Committee of Ethics is consisted of the doctors who enjoy the high reputation and trust due to their expert, scientific and ethic qualities.

Article 85.

The Committee of Ethics is consisted of the president and 14 members.

The provisions of the Presidency mandate refer also to the Committee of Ethics.

Article 86.

The assignment of the Committee of Ethics is to take the attitude referring to the mental, physical and social conditions of the population according to the Code of ethics of medical workers and other ethics regulations.

The specified Committee provisions are regulated by the Standing Orders given by the Presidency of the Association on the suggestions of the Commission for the normative action.

7. The Commissions of the Association

Article 87.

The Association has the regular and temporary commissions for the purpose of analyzing certain questions and preparation of suggestions to the Assembly, the Presidency and Executive Committee.

The Presidency of the Association establishes the following commissions: The Award Commission, The Honor Commission, The Commission of the Serbian Medical Association Award Presentation, The Commission of the Branch Cooperation, The Commission of the Section Cooperation, The Commission of the Health Care Organization, The Commission of the proposition for the Serbian Academy of Sciences and Arts, The Commission for the cooperation with the Medical Chamber and other health organizations, The Commission for the head doctor's position, The Commission for the international cooperation, The Commission for the normative provisions, etc.

Article 88.

The permanent commissions of the Association have according to the rule: president, and eight members. The commissions are appointed by the presidency and those are consisted of the members of the Association whose mandate s last two years with the possibility of one consecutive election. The commissions choose the president among their members whose mandate lasts as long as the mandates of the commissions' members.

Article 89.

The Association also can form temporary commissions.

The Presidency or the Executive Committee decides about the temporary commission formation and their members' appointment.

Article 90.

The commissions are obligated to make the reports to the organs by which they have been founded.

Article 91.

Through the provisions of the commissions development, their duties and assignments as well as the method of work, the number of members in details and other questions are regulated.

7.a. The Commission for the head doctor's position

Article 92.

The Commission for the head doctor's position gives the opinion for the reappointment of primaries to the republic organ responsible for the health. The method of the reappointment is regulated by the Standing Orders of Commission for the head doctor's position set by the Presidency.

IX PUBLIC RELATIONS AND PUBLISHING

Article 93.

The informing of the Association members and the citizens about the Association work and activities is achieved through the Association press called " Informator" and also through the organizations of the expert meetings and other manifestations, press, radio, televisions and other media. In that way the principle of the public informing is achieved.

Article 94.

For the purpose of achieving the principle of publicity in the work of the institutions the Association and successful work of its members, the Association publishes the following: the magazine "Serbian records department for the medicine in the whole", "Dental Harold of Serbia", supplements of The Serbian Archive, the paper "Doctor", "Informator", as well as the publications issued by the specialist sections, the Academy of Medical Science and branches.

Article 95.

The Medical Association of Vojvodina and The Medical Association of Kosovo and Metohija have their own publications.

Article 96.

The Association prints and issues the medical certificates forms, medical cards as well as other medical forms.

Article 97.

The Association founds the Publishing Committee for achieving the good quality-programme in publishing conception.

The Publishing Committee is consisted of the president of the Publishing Committee and the editors-in chief of magazines.

The mandate of the Publishing Committee members and president lasts 2 years with the possibility of the consecutive election.

Article 98.

The editorial commissions and editors-in chief with the 2 years mandate with the possibility of one consecutive election are chosen for magazines, papers, books, textbooks, etc, said in the Article 94. of the Statute.

Article 99.

The programme conception and the plan of the publishing activity for the magazines, papers and other publications from the Article 94. of this Statute is regulated by the Presidency on the suggestion of the Publishing Committee.

Article 100.

The number, the composition and the activity as well as all other questions concerning the Publishing Committee are regulated by the special Standing Orders set by the Presidency.

Article 101.

The branches, specialist sections and the Academy can publish their own magazines and papers if they are provided finances, but with the previous agreement obtained by the Presidency and on the suggestion of the Publishing Committee of the Association.

**X COOPERATION WITH OTHER HEALTH
ORGANIZATIONS AND ASSOCIATIONS**

Article 102.

The Association cooperates with the Medical Association of Montenegro and foreign medical associations and organizations.

This cooperation includes the experience exchange, coordination of activities and procuring reciprocal help.

The Association organizes the cooperation with the specialist organizations, The Medical Chamber, The Chamber of Health Institutions and other organs and institutions with similar aims.

XI AWARDS AND HONORS

Article 103.

The Association gives awards, medallions, scrolls of honor and certificates to all honorary members, expert and scientific workers, students of medicine and dental medicine for the honors and activities in the field of medical science and medical care.

The awards of the Association are given to the honorary legal persons.

Article 104.

There are the annual awards which are given to the doctors and students on April 22nd, on the day of the Association foundation, by The Commission for the awards and The Commission for the honors whose members' number and work duty are provided with the rulebook defined by the Presidency rulebook.

This rulebook regulates all the questions referring to the awards, medallions, scrolls of honor and certificates giving.

XII PROPERTY AND MATERIAL-FINANCIAL RESOURCES OF THE ASSOCIATION

Article 105.

The property of the Association is consisted of the movable and real property.

The Association Assembly, the Presidency, the Executive Committee and the Secretariat of the Association manage, control and look after the Association property.

The material and financial resources are consisted of the regular and additional incomes.

The regular incomes are:

- subscription,
- the incomes accomplished through the Association activity (through the participation fee at the seminars, symposiums, expert meetings, the incomes gained from the selling forms, publishing as well as scientific research in the field of medicine)
- the incomes accomplished by the offices renting
- etc.

The additional incomes are:

- the financial support of the organs, organizations and unions in the form of donations and subventions,
- wills, gifts and charities raised by the Association members and other people,
- incomes from the contract based jobs.

Article 106.

The Secretariat of the Association controls and keeps records of the Association movable and real property as well as material and financial resources according to the legal provisions and normative provisions of the Association.

Article 107.

The president, the vice presidents, the general secretary and the head of the Secretary according to their duties are the order-issuing authorities for the financial plan of incomes and outgoings of Association.

Article 108.

The President, the vice presidents and the general secretary of the Association decide about the use of the resources (one by one) to the amount determined by the separate decision of the Presidency.

The head of the Secretariat, on the basis of the organ's decision and the order of president, vice presidents and general secretary of the Association, signs as the orderissuing authority the entire financial documentation of the Association and decides about the procurement to the amount defined by the Presidency according to all those mentioned in the previous Article.

The accountant for the compition of the financial plan of the Association and the financiai plan of the Secretariat of the Serbian Medical Association is a head of the accounting department.

Article 109.

The money and other values which the Association receives as a present for a specific purpose can be used for that specific purpose and are managed separately on the Association account.

XIII THE MUSEUM AND THE ASSOCIATION LIBRARY

Article 110.

The Association has its own Museum and Library.

The property of the Museum and Library is the property of the Association.

Article 111.

The Museum is the expert instituti on for the purpose of keeping and securing material and culturai goods of all past, present and future activities of the members of the Association and Serbian medical science in the whole.

Material and culturai goods of the Museum are collected from the donations of individuals and institutions.

Article 112.

The Museum creates the security conditions as well as the conditions for the keeping historical tradition of the Association and Serbian medicine as a cultural achievement and for this reason the museum sorts out materials and makes them approachable to the experts as well as to the public.

Article 113.

The museum cooperates with the related institutions in the country and abroad, and along these lines exchanges the experience and goods of the importance and interest for the presentation of past, present and future Association activities and medicine in general.

Article 114.

The museum has the board that rules the museum and takes care the completion of its assignments. The board members are named by the Presidency every second year with the possibility of one consecutive election.

The museum has the expert manager who directly leads and does the assignments set by special Standing Orders on the basis of attitudes and conclusions of the Museum Board and the Presidency of the Association.

Article 115.

The Library presents the separate organizational unit of the Association doing the assignments regulated by the Law of the library action.

The Library is allowed to do the librarian activity in cooperation with other organizations according to the contract.

Article 116.

The Librarian materials are consisted of the printed, written and copied materials whose contents are approachable and for this reason the library creates and maintains the catalogues according to the clients' needs.

Article 117.

In addition to the librarian activities specified by the Law, the library collects, analyses, keeps and uses the materials of the fields of great importance for the action of the Association, particularly in the field of medicine and similar science.

Article 118.

The library has the files of its material according to the Standing Orders of files of librarian material. The material of the library is kept in the conditions set by the Standing Orders of conditions for the librarian material s keeping.

Article 119.

The type of the expert duties and the type and the degree of professional competence to do them, the Library regulates under the provisions of the Standing Orders of expert duties type in the library, the type and the degree of professional competence.

Article 120.

The Library uses and manages the cultural goods set by the Law of cultural goods under the rules regulated by this Law.

Article 121.

The Association can form special funds variety forms of help and activities. The work and other questions with reference to fund are regulated by special rules set by the Presidency on the suggestion of the Commission for the normative action.

XIV THE ASSOCIATION SECRETARIAT

Article 122.

There is the Secretariat consisted of the workers who have signed the contract with the head of the Association Secretariat for doing the expert, legal, financial, publishing, administrative, technical and other assignment of the Association.

The head of Secretariat manages its work. He/ she is responsible for his/ her work to the Presidency of the Association Assembly and to the president of the Association. The head of the Secretariat, on the suggestion of the Executive Committee of the Presidency, is named by the Presidency according to the legal provisions.

The Presidency on the suggestion of the Executive Committee, brings the decision about the internal Secretariat organization while the Executive Committee on the suggestion of the head of the Secretariat, brings the decision about the systematization of the work positions.

Article 123.

For the place of the head of the Secretariat, according to the Orders of the job systematization and assignments of all the employees of the Secretariat, the candidate has to meet the following requirements:

- university degree- graduate in legal law, 5 years of experience at least on the same or similar duties and the active knowledge of one foreign language.

Article 124.

Work, mutual rights, duties and responsibilities of the Association Secretariat and The Serbian Medical Association are achieved in accordance with the agreement between the Serbian Medical Association and the Secretariat and all in accordance with the law.

XV THE PROCEDURE OF STATUTE AMANDMANTS

Article 125.

The initiative for the amendments of the Association Statute can be launched by:

- The Assembly of Association

- The Presidency of the Association Assembly
- The Executive Committee of the Presidency of the Association Assembly
- The Medical Association of Vojvodina
- The Medical Association of Kosovo and Metohija
- The Academy of Medical Sciences
- A third of the Association members
- Three district branches at least.

Article 126.

The argued initiative for the Statute amendments is considered by the Presidency of the Association Assembly, and also it defines the suggestion of the Statute amendments and submits it to the Association Assembly within 60 days from the day of the initiative submission.

Article 127.

The procedure of the Statute amendments is identical with the procedure of the above-mentioned Statute adoption.

XVI TRANSITIONAL AND FINAL PROVISIONS

Article 128.

As this Statute comes into force, all the normative provisions of the Association as well as the importance of general provisions that are in contrast to the regulations of this Statute will be adjusted with its regulations within one year.

Article 129.

In the case of work termination of the Association, the Association property will be delivered to the Assembly of the community Stari Grad until the new organization has been founded.

The Presidency of the Association is obligated to inform the authorized state organ about the termination of the Association in due time for the purpose of erasing from the register.

Article 130.

On the day of coming into force of this Statute, the validity of the Statute of the Serbian Medical Association which was registered at the City- Secretariat of Interior Affairs of the city of Belgrade on November 5th, 1991. expires.

Article 131.

This Statute comes into force the day after the publishing and will be applicable after its registration in the Register of social organizations and civil associations.

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The Ministry of Interior Affairs of the Republic of Serbia, Secretariat in Belgrade, The Border Police Department, for foreigners and state affairs, The Department of State Affairs in accordance with article the 12. of the Law of social organizations and civil associations registration, (The Official Gazette of The Republic of Serbia no. 57/82) registrates

NOTATION

which establishes the fact of the registration of the Statute amendment of The Serbian Medical Association, filed under number 10, on September 30th, 1983.

Belgrade, 12/06/2000

Head of Department

LIEU- TENANT

Nadezda Savija

(signature)

(stamp: Republic of Serbia, Belgrade,
The Ministry of Interior Affairs)