

# ILLINOIS ACADEMY OF AUDIOLOGY

## BYLAWS

### ARTICLE I

The Illinois Academy of Audiology (hereafter designated as Academy) is incorporated in the State of Illinois and is organized for the purpose of promoting the public good by fostering growth, development, recognition, and status for the profession of Audiology and its members.

### ARTICLE II

#### MEMBERSHIP

- 3.1 Membership. The Academy shall consist of Professional Members, Associate Members, Legacy Professional Members, and Student Members.
- 3.2 Professional Members. A Professional Member is one who has a graduate degree in audiology from a regionally accredited academic institution. An active Illinois license is not required; however, Professional Members cannot have violations of the law on record that have not been adjudicated by the licensing agency.  
Recent graduates may apply for the Professional Membership with a reduced rate. A Recent Graduate is one who possess a graduate degree from an accredited academic institution and applies for Professional Membership within one year following graduation. Upon the next renewal year, the converting member will pay the fee associated with Professional Membership. This is a one time offer.
- 3.3 Associate Members. An Associate Member is one who is not an audiologist but who wishes to remain informed and provide input regarding the activities of the Academy. Associate Members hold all rights and obligations of a Professional Member, except they shall not vote or hold office. Associate Members may participate on designated committees at the discretion of the Board of Directors and the committee chairperson. Associate Members are prohibited from using affiliation with the Academy for the promotion of commercial products or services.
- 3.4 Legacy Professional Members. A Legacy Member is an audiologist who is at least 65 years old and has been a Professional Member of the Academy for at least. Legacy Members hold all rights and obligations of a Professional Member.
- 3.5 Student Members. A Student Member is one who is pursuing a professional degree in audiology, as verified by a regionally accredited residential institute of higher learning. Full-time student enrollment shall be verified by the Vice-President of Membership prior to approval. An individual who would otherwise qualify as a Professional Member who is pursuing a doctoral degree on a full-time basis may apply to become a Student Member. Student members hold all rights and obligations of Professional Member membership, except they shall not

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Signed by Board of Directors January 30, 2020

