

AAFP Delegate and Alternate Delegate Procedures, Selection, and Required Experience

I. Procedures

Call for nominations made 120 days in advance of annual meeting and nominations accepted up to 90 days prior to the annual meeting. Candidates may submit preference for a desired position, but this will not be guaranteed. Leadership Development Committee members who are candidates will recuse themselves due to a conflict of interest. These aforementioned vacancies shall be appointed by the IAFP President or acting Committee chair if the President is also a candidate.

Position is 2-year term, limited to 3 consecutive terms (6 years) unless a seated delegate or alternate is approved for candidacy to run for national office by the policies and procedures outlined by AAFP. Approved candidates for national office who are also seated as Delegate or Alternate Delegate and have completed a maximum number of consecutive terms, may extend by one term in order to participate in the AAFP board or officer election process.

Lifetime limit on terms as Delegate or Alternate Delegate will be 6 terms or 12 years cumulative, inclusive of terms spent running for national office. Barring unexpired terms, approved candidates for national office who are also seated as Delegate or Alternate Delegate and have reached their lifetime term limit may still seek one additional term in order to participate in the AAFP board or officer election process.

In the event of the resignation, death, or incapacity of the AAFP Delegate or Alternate Delegate to serve, the Board of Directors shall elect an Alternate Delegate for the unexpired portion of the term. (Bylaws Ch. 8, Sec. 3) Unexpired and vacant terms for Delegate or Alternate Delegate may be filled as 1-year or 2-year appointments (or less, as applicable for unexpired terms) at the discretion of a majority vote of the Board. One-year terms filled in this manner shall not be included in lifetime term limits.

No more than half the delegation (two out of four individuals) may serve concurrently on the IAFP board.

The Congress of Delegates Observer position is applied for separately as a 1-year term with a two-term limit. As stated in the Administrative Rules to the Bylaws; "This position is designed for developing leaders to gain exposure to Congress of Delegates while also participating in IAFP board meetings." No other prerequisites are needed to apply for this position. Funding for the Congress of Delegates observer is limited to travel expenses to the Congress of Delegates and IAFP board meetings.

II. Selection

Current and former Board members who express an interest should do so by application no less than 120 days prior to the annual meeting for a term beginning immediately following the conclusion of the annual meeting. The application and an up-to-date CV should be submitted to the IAFP Chief Executive Officer(s) for presentation to the Leadership Development Committee of the IAFP Board of Directors.

The Leadership Development Committee may only slate as many candidates as there are open positions.

III. Required Experience

1. Served a total of three years in any position on the IAFP Board.
2. Attended a minimum of one Congress of Delegates meeting in any capacity.
3. Maintains a working knowledge of Parliamentary Procedure.