

Notice to Members: Proposed Bylaws Changes

Background: AAFP adopted several [Bylaws changes](https://www.aafp.org/content/dam/AAFP/documents/chapter_executives/restricted/chex_mix/bylaws-changes-2018.pdf) (https://www.aafp.org/content/dam/AAFP/documents/chapter_executives/restricted/chex_mix/bylaws-changes-2018.pdf AAFP Login Required to view) to membership eligibility and requirements. As a constituent chapter of the AAFP, the Illinois Academy of Family Physicians' Bylaws are being amended to reflect AAFP's revisions. Per IAFP Bylaws, notice of the amended language below shall be given to all members 30 days prior to the meeting at which the proposals are to be voted upon. In this instance, the Board of Directors will meet Aug. 28th to adopt these amended Bylaws.

Note: The AAFP Congress of Delegates approved a new category of membership, "transitional member" to allow all medical school graduates to remain members for up to two years following graduation from medical school, as they continue to seek a residency placement.

Effect on IAFP Bylaws: <https://www.iafp.com/assets/docs/aboutIAFP/iafp-bylaws-may2017.pdf>

- Under Chapter 3, Section 3, a sentence shall be added to reflect: "**Transitional members may not be officers of the Academy.**"
- Under Chapter 6, Section 2, "transitional" shall be added after, "student" so that the section reads: "Dues for Supporting, Resident, ~~and~~ Student, and **Transitional** members shall be determined annually by the Board of Directors using a formula similar to that prescribed in Section 1."

In addition, the following clean-up language is proposed for Chapter 3, Section 3:

Current Bylaws read:

For membership classifications there are additional privileges that IAFP confers:

- Inactive members shall not be entitled to vote or hold office but shall have the privilege of the floor.
- Life members shall have the privilege of the floor and be entitled to vote at any regional level, but shall not be eligible to hold office at the regional or state level.
- Honorary membership in the AAFP may be proposed by IAFP.
- Resident members shall be entitled to vote but may not be officers in the IAFP.
- Student members may not be officers of the Academy.

Amended Language: *Delete, as marked by strikethrough, and addition by underline, so that it reads:*

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- Resident members shall be entitled to vote but may not be officers in the IAFP.
- Student members may not be officers of the IAFP Academy.
- Transitional members may not be officers of the IAFP.