

ROYAL CHILDREN'S HOSPITAL MEDICAL ALUMNI

CONSTITUTION



1. NAME

The Association shall be called
The ROYAL CHILDREN'S HOSPITAL MEDICAL ALUMNI.

2. OBJECTS

The objects of the Association shall be –

- 2.1 to foster social contacts between past members of the medical staff and to provide the opportunity to share experiences;
- 2.2 to stimulate the maintenance of hospital traditions and the recording of the hospital history;
- 2.3 to keep members in touch with the activities of the hospital;
- 2.4 to assist the development of the hospital and promote its interests.

3. MEMBERSHIP

Membership is open to:

- (a) Medical or Dental graduates who have been members of the medical staff at the Royal Children's Hospital campus (including Resident Medical Officers and Registrars who have subsequently pursued a career in any branch of paediatrics or child health) and have ceased to have an active medical or dental appointment at the Royal Children's Hospital campus, or have reached the age of 65
- (b) Former Professional and Scientific senior staff at the RCH campus.
- (c) The spouse or partner of a deceased member

All who wish to join the Alumni should complete an application form.

4. **MEETINGS**

- 4.1 ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING. The Annual General meeting of the Association shall be held not later than November in each year.
- 4.2 SPECIAL GENERAL MEETING. A Special General Meeting shall be convened by the Executive Committee on the request of the President or ten (10) or more members of the Association. The request shall be in writing and set out the purpose(s) for which the meeting is proposed to be called.
- 4.3 ORDINARY MEETINGS. Ordinary Meetings shall be convened by the Executive Committee and shall be held if possible at least three times in each financial year.
- 4.4 Four weeks written notice shall be given for all General Meetings.
- 4.5 The quorum for General Meetings shall be ten (10).
- 4.6 Unless there are special reasons to the contrary, meetings shall be held at the Royal Children's Hospital.

5. **OFFICE BEARERS and EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE**

- 5.1 Office Bearers shall be President, Vice-President, Secretary and Treasurer and the Office Bearers shall constitute the Executive Committee of the Association.
- 5.2 Office Bearers shall be elected annually at the Annual General meeting and shall be eligible for re-election provided that no President shall be elected continuously for a period in excess of two years.
- 5.3 The Executive Committee shall appoint a member of the Association to fill any casual vacancy on the Executive Committee.
- 5.4 The Executive Committee may co-opt members of the Association to the Executive Committee.
- 5.5 The Executive Committee may meet and regulate its business as it thinks fit.
- 5.6 The Executive Committee may establish and determine the functions of Advisory Committees consisting of such members as it thinks fit (whether members of the Association or not) for the purposes of information, advice or assistance.

6. **FINANCIAL**

The financial year shall end on 30th June each year.

7. **ANNUAL SUBSCRIPTIONS**

7.1 The Annual Subscription shall be determined each year at the Annual General Meeting and shall apply from July 1st of the next financial year.

7.2 Annual subscriptions shall be due on 1st July in each financial year and members more than 3 months in arrears shall cease to be members, provided that members reaching the age of 80 before the 30th June in any financial year shall pay no annual subscriptions in any subsequent financial year but shall retain all the rights and privileges of members.

7.3 The Executive Committee shall have the power to impose extra levies on members of the Association, subject to a resolution to that effect being passed at a General Meeting of the Association.

8. **ALTERATIONS TO THE CONSTITUTION**

This Constitution may be altered by a resolution passed by a two-thirds majority at an Annual General Meeting provided that four weeks written notice of the proposed alteration be given to members prior to the Meeting.

9. **WINDING-UP OF THE ASSOCIATION**

If upon winding-up or dissolution of the Association there remains after satisfaction of its debts and liabilities any property whatsoever the same shall be paid or transferred to the Royal Children's Hospital for the specific purpose of developing the Hospital's Archive Section.

Revised at the Annual General Meeting on November 22nd 2016.

Professor Garry Warne AM
Honorary Secretary