

BYLAWS OF THE OREGON PHARMACISTS FUND
Approved November 2013

Name. The name of this organization is the Oregon Pharmacists Fund (hereinafter referred to as the "Pharmacists Fund" and also may be referred to as the "Oregon Pharmacists Political Action Committee" or "Oregon Pharmacists PAC.")

The name of the fund may be abbreviated to OPF.

Address. The Pharmacists Fund's address is 89358 Cranberry Lane, Bandon, Oregon 97411.

Nature. The Oregon Pharmacists Fund is a "political action committee" which intends to qualify as a "miscellaneous political committee" under Oregon election law. It is a "political organization" under federal tax exemption law. The Pharmacists Fund is an unincorporated nonprofit association under Oregon law.

Affiliation. The Pharmacists Fund is affiliated with the Oregon State Pharmacy Association (OSPA) and the Oregon State Health-Systems Pharmacists Association (OSHP).

Books and Records. Books and records of the Pharmacists Fund are maintained by the Treasurer of the Pharmacists Fund at the address identified above. [The Treasurer is responsible for its registration, record-keeping and reporting as required by Oregon election law.](#) The Treasurer may be assisted in this responsibility by one or more staff members of OSPA and/or OSHP.

Officers. The Pharmacists Fund has a Chair and a Treasurer. [Appointees for both positions are appointed Recommended annually by the joint legislative committee of OSPA and OSHP with approval and approved by the Board of Directors of both associations. Approval of the appointment of the President or Treasurer will be provided in the minutes of the associations.](#) The Chair and Treasurer may serve succeeding terms. Vacancies that occur in either office are filled in the same manner as the original appointment and as soon as possible. No expenditure is made on behalf of the Pharmacists Fund without the written or oral authorization of the Board. The Chair of the Pharmacists Fund is the chief operating officer of the Pharmacists Fund. The Chair is responsible for the overall direction and implementation of the Pharmacists Fund's policies and activities. The Chair presides at meeting of the Board of Directors of the Pharmacists Fund.

~~The Treasurer is a voting member of the Board and is responsible for its registration, record-keeping and reporting as required by Oregon election law. Both the chair and treasurer may be assisted in their responsibilities by one or more staff members~~

Purposes. The purposes of the Pharmacists Fund are:

1. to solicit and receive contributions to be used to make political campaign expenditures to those candidates for statewide (Governor, Secretary of State, Attorney General, Commissioner of Labor and Industries, Treasurer and Superintendent of Public Instruction) and state legislative (state senators and state representatives) who have demonstrated an understanding and interest in the views and goals of the Pharmacists Fund and of OSPA, OSHP, and/or the Coalition;
2. to solicit and receive contributions to be used to make political campaign expenditures to organizing committees for appropriate ballot measures, initiatives and referendums that would affect the interests and goals of the Pharmacists Fund and of OSPA, OSHP, and/or the Coalition;

3. to exist and operate as a “political organization” and a “separate segregated fund” which receives “contributions” and makes “expenditures” to qualified statewide and state legislative candidates and ballot measure, initiative or referendum organizing committees for its exempt function; and,
4. To comply fully with all other applicable Oregon election or state and federal tax exemption laws and with other applicable laws in carrying out those purposes. Members. Each individual, corporate or organizational contributor becomes a Pharmacists Fund member upon acceptance by the Pharmacists Fund of a contribution form the individual, corporation or organization. The contributor remains a member of the Pharmacists Fund for one year following acceptance of that contribution. Members of the Pharmacists Fund have no rights or responsibilities other than those specifically designated by the Pharmacists Fund’s Chair which are consistent with applicable state election and state and federal tax exemption laws and with other applicable laws.

Board of Directors. The Pharmacists Fund has a Board of Directors consisting of five individuals ~~(threefourfour~~ at large directors, ~~in addition to~~ in addition to the chair -the Chair of the Pharmacists Fund, ~~and the Treasurer.)~~ The Treasurer is not a voting member of the Fund Board. positions are Recommended annually by the joint legislative committee of OSPA and OSHP and approved by the Board of Directors of both associations. Approval of the appointment of the President or Treasurer will be provided in the minutes of the associations. The joint legislative committee of OSPA and OSHP appoints individuals to the Fund Board of Directors, with approval by the Board of Directors of OSPA and OSHP, for ~~one year~~ two year terms and has the discretion to accept resignations or terminate individuals from the Fund Board for cause and fill vacancies on the Fund Board if they occur. The Fund Directors may serve succeeding terms. Vacancies that occur in Fund Board positions are filled in the same manner as the original appointment and as soon as possible. The function of the Fund Board of Directors is to assist the officers of the Pharmacists Fund in its operation and to implement decisions consistent with the purposes of the Pharmacists Fund. The Board shall meet at least annually.

Amendments. These Bylaws are amended by a majority vote of the Pharmacists Fund Board of Directors ~~and Pharmacists Fund Chair~~ with approval ratification by of Board of Directors of OSPA and OSHP ~~the Board of Directors of the Joint Legislative Committee of OSPA and OSHP and the Board of Directors of OSPA and OSHP.~~

