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### **NYSOMS BOARD OF DIRECTORS – LEADERSHIP CODE OF CONDUCT**

As a board member of the New York State Osteopathic Medical Society (NYSOMS), I commit myself to ethical, businesslike, and lawful conduct, including proper use of authority and appropriate decorum when acting on behalf of the Society. I understand my duties and responsibilities as a board member are as follows:

1. I support the mission, goals and objectives of NYSOMS, and will serve the overall best interests of the Society.
2. I accept the Bylaws and operating principles of NYSOMS and understand that I am morally responsible for the health and well-being of the Society.
3. I will respect and give fair consideration to diverse and opposing viewpoints. I will demonstrate respect for individuals in all manifestations of their cultural, linguistic diversity, and life circumstances.
4. I am fiscally responsible, with the other board members, for NYSOMS and will ensure that the financial affairs of the Society are conducted in an accountable and transparent manner. I will take an active part in reviewing, approving, and monitoring the budget, and actively supporting the revenue-generating activities to meet it.
5. I know my legal and fiduciary responsibilities for NYSOMS and those of my fellow board members, and I will honor these responsibilities to know and oversee the implementation of NYSOMS' policies and programs.
6. I will actively promote NYSOMS and encourage and support its development and membership growth.
7. I will demonstrate preparation and actively participate in board meetings. I will participate in committee meetings to which I have been appointed.

In signing this document, I understand that no quotas are being set, that no rigid standards of measurement and achievement are being formed. Every NYSOMS board member is making a statement of faith about every other board member. We are trusting each other to carry out the above responsibilities to the best of our ability. If I am not able to meet the above obligations as a board member, I will offer my resignation.

Signed: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Print Name: \_\_\_\_\_