



# By-Laws of the Oregon Alliance for Drug Endangered Children

## SECTION 1 – MISSION

Beyond the general purposes stated in the Articles of Incorporation, the following is the mission of the Oregon Alliance for Drug Endangered Children (OADEC):

- *We will be unrelenting in the pursuit of safety for children exposed to the extreme dangers of drug abuse environments.*
- *We will facilitate collaborative efforts across all government and private organizations to:*
  - *Prevent drug abuse;*
  - *Provide response resources to children when prevention fails; and*
  - *Aggressively break the cycles of drug abuse.*
- *We will be steadfast in our dedication to the mission and core values of DEC to ensure the concepts become institutionalized.*

## SECTION 2 - MEMBERSHIP

(1) Any person who desires to associate for the purpose of advancing the interests of drug endangered children in Oregon may apply for membership in OADEC.

(2) An application for membership shall be forwarded to the President by e-mail or other adequate method of communication.

(3) An application must include the applicant's name, position and agency (if any), mailing address, telephone number, and e-mail address.

(4) The President may grant or deny the application, or may ask for additional information in support of the application. The Board may override any membership decision of the President.

(5) The President shall maintain a list, electronic or otherwise, of each member name, position and agency (if any), address, telephone number, e-mail address, and date of membership.

(6) Meetings of the Membership shall be held at the call of the President or any member of the Board of Directors. Meetings may be conducted in person, telephonically, or electronically, as may be deemed appropriate to facilitate the effective operation of OADEC.

(7) Members may be removed from Membership, with or without cause, upon a majority vote of the Board of Directors.

## SECTION 3 - FEES AND DUES

There are no fees or dues for membership in OADEC.

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## SECTION 4 – BOARD OF DIRECTORS

(1) The Board of Directors of OADEC shall consist of no less than 5 and no more than 11 OADEC members, elected by the membership for three year terms.

(2) The Board shall annually select one of their members as President, who shall preside over meetings of the Board, and one of their members as Secretary, who may perform special duties as assigned by the Board. The Board may also elect additional positions as may become necessary for the efficient operation of OADEC.

(3) The records of OADEC may be kept by the President, the Secretary, or other designated Board member.

(4) Meetings of the Board shall be held at the call of the President or any member of the Board. Meetings may be conducted in person, telephonically, or electronically, as may be deemed appropriate to facilitate the effective operation of OADEC.

(5)(a) Notwithstanding the provisions of subsections (1) and (2) of this Section, the first Board of Directors of OADEC upon incorporation and adoption of these by-laws shall be: Rob Bovett, President; Sarah Morris, Secretary; Carol Chervenak, MD; Craig Durbin; Jay Wurscher, Eric Schober, and Craig Stoelk.

(b) Additional initial Directors may be added as deemed appropriate by the Board, up to a maximum of 11 Directors.

## SECTION 5 - REPORTS AND FILINGS

The President is delegated administrative authority to prepare and file any and all:

(1) Reports necessary for the efficient administration of OADEC.

(2) Papers necessary to secure Internal Revenue Code (IRC) § 501(c)(3) status for OADEC in the event the OADEC mission could be furthered by such status.

(3) Papers necessary to secure optional IRC § 501(h) lobbying status for OADEC in the event the OADEC mission could be furthered by such status.

## SECTION 6 – AMENDMENTS

Amendments to these by-laws may be adopted in accordance with Oregon Revised Statutes (ORS) Chapter 65.

