

Model Constitution

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CONSTITUTION OF THE AMERICAN DENTAL HYGIENISTS' ASSOCIATION STUDENT CHAPTER AT (PROGRAM NAME)

ARTICLE I – NAME

The name of this organization shall be the American Dental Hygienists' Association (ADHA) Student Chapter - (program name), hereafter referred to as "the Organization" or this Organization.

ARTICLE II – OBJECTIVES

The objectives of this Organization shall be to cultivate, promote, and sustain the art and science of dental hygiene, to represent and safeguard the common interest of the members of the dental hygiene profession, and to contribute toward the improvement of the oral health of the public.

ARTICLE III - ORGANIZATION

The membership of this Organization shall consist of an unlimited number of dental hygiene students who are attending an accredited program of dental/oral hygiene or a program in the process of accreditation by a national agency recognized by CODA or the U.S. Department of Education.

ARTICLE IV – OFFICERS

The elective officers of this Organization shall be a president, (insert other officers the Organization believes necessary to conduct business of the Organization). In addition to these officers, (<u>#</u>) representatives from each class shall constitute the Executive Council of this Organization.

ARTICLE V – MEETINGS

Meetings shall be held (specify frequency such as twice a month). The members shall vote upon the date, time and place annually.

ARTICLE VI – PRINCIPLES OF ETHICS

The Code of Ethics of this Organization, which shall not be in conflict with the Principles of Ethics of the American Dental Hygienists' Association, shall govern the professional conduct of all members.

ARTICLE VII – AMENDMENTS

This Constitution may be amended by a two-thirds (2/3) affirmative vote of the membership provided that the proposed amendments or revisions shall have been presented in writing to the Executive Council and advisor(s) 30 days prior to the voting.