

# **SAMPLE BYLAWS FOR LOCAL CHAPTERS**

## **ARTICLE I – NAME**

The name of this organization shall be HOSA–Future Health Professionals - \_\_\_\_\_ Chapter.

## **ARTICLE II – PURPOSE**

The purposes of this organization are:

1. To unite in a common bond without regard to race, creed or national origin students enrolled in Health Science Education (or other) class or classes.
2. To develop leadership that is competent and self-reliant.
3. To improve scholarship and develop skills that will enable young men and women to participate effectively in health science education.
4. To create more interest and understanding in the intelligent choice of health careers.
5. To engage in individual and group projects.
6. To recognize outstanding leadership.
7. To create school loyalty and help preserve the principles of democracy.
8. To develop leadership.

(Purpose statements are illustrative only – additions/deletions may be made.)

## **ARTICLE III – ORGANIZATION**

Section 1. This chapter is open to all students in the health science program at \_\_\_\_\_ School and to all students who plan to pursue a health career.

Section 2. Membership is unified on the state and national level. Membership is established by the payment of membership dues.

## **ARTICLE IV – MEMBERSHIP**

Any student enrolled in the health science program or is interested in pursuing a career in the health field is entitled to become an active member of the organization.

## **ARTICLE V – OFFICERS**

Section 1. Officers of the \_\_\_\_\_ Chapter shall consist of the following: President, Vice President, Secretary, Treasurer, Report and Historian. They shall

constitute the chapter's executive committee. Other officers may be designated as desirable.

Section 2. The program coordinator(s)/instructor(s) associated with the health science program shall be Advisor(s) to the chapter.

Section 3. Officers of the chapter shall be nominated and elected by a majority vote at the beginning of the school year.

Section 4. In any other circumstances, the election of officers shall follow parliamentary procedure.

#### ARTICLE VI – MEETINGS

Section 1. One business meeting shall be held on the (day) of every month during the school year.

Section 2. Additional meetings shall be called when necessary.

Section 3. The local chapter executive committee meetings will be held at time specified by the chapter president and the local advisor.

#### ARTICLE VII – GOVERNING AUTHORITY

The HOSA Chapter Advisor, with school administration, has the authority to make decisions on behalf of the chapter.

#### ARTICLE VIII – AMENDMENTS

These Bylaws may be amended by a two-thirds vote at any monthly meeting. Proposed amendments must be submitted in writing 90 days before the vote.