

## **Code of Conduct for the Election of Executive Board & Office Bearers of ISPAE**

Once the elections are notified, the 'Code of Conduct' shall apply to all the contesting candidates until the election process is completed.

### **Prohibited actions-**

1. The returning officer, present Office Bearers of the society, shall not campaign for any contestants.
2. Past ISPAE office bearers must refrain from using their former designations or positions of influence within the ISPAE in support of contestants during the campaign.
3. Surrogate, sponsored or personal hosting of tea, lunch, dinner, or cocktail parties by the contestants for fellow members is not permitted.
4. Negative propaganda about contestants is strictly prohibited.
5. Pressure, inducement, or coercion shall not be used to get votes.
6. ISPAE Presidential Action Plan Activities shall not be organized during the period of 'voting'.
7. Contestants shall not associate jointly form a syndicate or campaign for each other; they must conduct their campaigns independently.
8. A contestant shall not obtain any third-party funds or support from pharmaceutical companies for their campaign.
9. A contestant is not allowed to use photos or details of their association with any past or present ISPAE office bearers in any flyers or appeals during campaigning.
10. Contestants must refrain from using their current designations or positions of influence within the ISPAE during the campaign.

### **Permitted Appeals:**

- Appeals can be made via emails, print, electronic media, election letters, brochures, SMS, telephone, or any permissible social media

### **Participation in Programs:**

1. After declaring their candidacy for the elections, contestants shall refrain from participating as faculty in any programs organized by the society (ISPAE) including the Presidential Action Plans. However, they may participate as delegates at their own expense, including paying any applicable registration fees, for 'Training of the Trainers' sessions (TOTs) or workshops.
2. To promote their candidature, contestants are strictly prohibited from using slide shows, posters, or distributing pamphlets inside the event hall.
3. The candidate shall also refrain from participating as faculty in all the activities funded by pharmaceutical companies / equipment companies.

### **Recusals.**

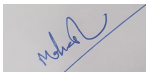
- An Office Bearer of ISPAE and members of any ISPAE Presidential Action Plan Committees must

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recuse themselves from their positions until the election process is completed

### **Voter Engagement and Education:**

1. A candidate may inform members about the election process.
2. A candidate may disclose their vision to work for the progress of ISPAE.
3. A contestant may brief their credentials in any mode, physical or digital including past positions held, significant achievements in the ISPAE as well as their academic and social contributions in the field of Child Health.



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