



Proposed Amendments to the AOA Code of Ethics

The following proposed amendments to the American Osteopathic Association (AOA) Code of Ethics will be presented at the 2024 Annual Meeting of the House of Delegates which will occur on July 19-21, 2024.

All amendments require a two-thirds vote by the House of Delegates for approval.

Section 13: A physician shall respect the law. When necessary, a physician shall attempt to help to formulate the law by all proper means in order to improve patient care and public health. **IT IS NOT ETHICAL FOR A PHYSICIAN TO COMMIT, ENDORSE, OR LEND SUPPORT TO VIOLENCE OR COMMIT, ENDORSE, OR LEND SUPPORT TO ORGANIZATIONS THAT COMMIT, ENDORSE OR SUPPORT VIOLENCE IN ORDER TO ENACT CHANGES IN THE LAW OR TO PROMOTE OTHER POLITICAL CHANGE.**