

## **Proposed Amendments to the AOA Code of Ethics**

The following proposed amendments to the American Osteopathic Association (AOA) Code of Ethics will be presented for action at the 2022 Annual Meeting, which will occur on July 15–17, 2022. The Chief Executive Officer of the American Osteopathic Association has arranged for their posting on the AOA's website, publication in the online edition of the *Journal of Osteopathic Medicine* (f/k/a *The Journal of the American Osteopathic Association*) and distribution to the specialty and divisional societies that are eligible to send representatives to the AOA's House of Delegates.

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

Old material is crossed out and new material is capitalized.

## **Section 18 – WITHDRAWN**

The previous modification submission to section 18 has been withdrawn.

## **SECTION 20**

PHYSICIANS SHOULD NOT TREAT THEMSELVES, IMMEDIATE FAMILY, OR OTHERS IN CLOSE RELATIONSHIPS, INCLUDING A SPOUSE, PARENT, CHILD, SIBLING, OR OTHERS WITH WHOM THE PHYSICIAN HAS SIGNIFICANT EMOTIONAL INVOLVEMENT, INCLUDING SIGNIFICANT DATING AND LIVE-IN RELATIONSHIPS.