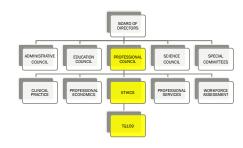
ETHICS: CODES AND DILEMMAS		
Ethics in medical physics and the role of the AAPM		
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AAPM MISSION STATEMENT

The mission of the AAPM is advancing medicine through excellence in the science, education and professional practice of medical physics



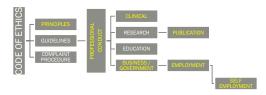


Rule 3.7.2: The Committee on Ethics	
Purpose	
The Committee on Ethics shall advise the Professional Council and, through it, the Board of Directors, on matters relating to the ethical practice of medical physics.	
Activities	
Prepare guidelines on the ethical practice of medical physics.	
 Investigate complaints involving alleged unethical practices of medical physics by or relating to AAPM members. 	
Prepare and maintain procedures for resolving ethical problems.	
Educate the medical physics community on the ethical principles of professional practice	
THICS IN AAPM GOVERNANCE	-
Rule 4.0.2: Ethical Behavior	
All applicants for membership and affiliation must attest that they will abide by the AAPM Code of Ethics.	
Rule 4.0.3: Termination of membership or affiliation for ethical misconduct	
Sanctions specified within the AAPM Code of Ethics (up to and including expulsion from the AAPM) may be imposed for ethical misconduct. Members or affiliates expelled for ethical misconduct may eventually reapply for membership or affiliation as specified in the Code of Ethics.	
EVISION OF THE	
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RECONSTITUTION OF TG109 QUESTIONNAIRE TO GENERAL MEMBERSHIP	
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REVISED AAPM CODE OF ETHICS (PP-24)



New set of principles

- Members must hold as paramount the best interests of the patient under all circumstances
- Members must strive to provide the best quality patient care and ensure the safety, privacy and confidentiality of patients and research participants.
- Members must act with Integrity in all aspects of their work.
- Members must Interact In an open collegial and respectful manner amongst themselves and in relation to other professionals, including those in training, and safeguard their confidences and privacy.
- Members must strive to be Impartial in all professional interactions, and must disclose and formally manage any real, potential or plausible conflicts of interest.
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 Members must strive to continuously maintain and improve their knowledge and skills while encouraging the professional development of their colleagues and of those under their supervision.
- Members must operate within the limits of their knowledge, skills and available resources in the
 provision of healthcare. Members must enable practices in which patients are provided the levels of medical physicist
 expertise and case-specific attention as appropriately supports the modalities of their care.
- Members must adhere to the legal and regulatory requirements that apply to the practice of their
- Members must support the ideals of justice and fairness in the provision of healthcare and allocation of limited resources.
- Members are professionally responsible and accountable for their practice, attitudes and actions including inscharge and emissions.

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GUIDELINE: INTEGRITY	
Responsibility to Peers and the Profession	
Members have a responsibility to:	
- support the profession and contribute to the knowledge and capability of the medical physics profession as a whole; - improve public understanding of the role, function, and responsibilities of a medical physicist; - establish the best nossible practice environment:	
- conduct all their work with diligence, integrity; and	-
- remain cognizant of the precedents they set.	
GUIDELINE: IMPARTIALITY & LACK OF BIAS	
 Responsibility to Public Members must strive to improve the public welfare through: 	
disseminating scientific knowledge in a fair and unblased manner; supporting fair and just allocation of healthcare resources; and	
 maintaining standards of privacy and confidentiality in all environments, including 	_
online communication. Discrimination	
When acting in roles that carry management authority, Members must treat fairly and with respect all those with whom they have professional relationships, evaluating others based	
on professional merit alone. To prevent favoritism and discrimination it is essential to set appropriate criteria when assessing individuals for professional opportunities. Members	-
must acknowledge and minimize bias to eliminate discrimination and promote fairness.	
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■ Editorship and Peer Review

Members acting as editors or reviewers:

- should be aware of potential bias or conflict of interest and strive to deliver an impartial assessment of the work based on merit alone;
- must declare and manage any conflicts of interest that could compromise their objectivity;
 should ensure that the peer review process is objective, fair and confidential;

- are responsible for maintaining the dialogue, and any communication among participants, at a professional and respectful level throughout the review process; and
 must not use the unpublished results to benefit their own work or advancement.

Sponsorship of Investigator Research
 Members must keep discussions for funding of research separate from discussions for
 purchase of services or equipments to that there is no real or perceived bias in obtaining
 research funds or making purchase decisions. Sponsorship of research must be
 acknowledged and disclosed in presentations and publications.

GUIDELINE: JUSTICE & FAIRNESS

■ Responsibility to Public

Members must strive to improve the public welfare through:

- disseminating scientific knowledge in a fair and unbiased manner;
- supporting fair and just allocation of healthcare resources; and
 maintaining standards of privacy and confidentiality in all environments, including online communication.

COMPLAINT PROCEDURE

who observes a breach of the CoE by an AAPM member mit a complaint against that Member of Affiliate body. of limitations: 2 years, unless an extension is requested, int must be submitted to the Chair of the Ethics tee (or Chair of Prof Council in the case of conflict of

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