

**ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION OF
THE FEDERATION OF STATE MEDICAL BOARDS OF THE UNITED STATES, INC.**

The undersigned hereby associate themselves together for the purpose of forming a nonprofit corporation pursuant to Article 19, Chapter 21, Reissue Revised Statutes of 1943, more commonly known as the Nebraska Nonprofit Corporation Act, and for that purpose adopt these Articles of Incorporation, to wit:

ARTICLE I

The name of the corporation shall be the Federation of State Medical Boards of the United States, Incorporated.

ARTICLE II

The corporation shall have perpetual existence.

ARTICLE III

The corporation is organized exclusively for scientific and educational purposes, and its activities shall include the furtherance of the following objects and purposes:

SEC. A. To keep itself and its members informed concerning the medical and other healing arts practice acts of the District of Columbia, the several states of the United States and its territories and insular possessions, and of foreign countries, and of rules and regulations promulgated thereunder and concerning other pertinent desirable practices, methods or factors relating to the medical and other healing art licensure.

SEC. B. To study, determine, advocate and /or advance the adoption and maintenance by the District of Columbia, the several states of the United States and its territories and insular possessions of adequate and uniform standards for licensure in medicine and/or in the healing arts, and of proper administrative and enforcement provisions in such practice acts, and to study, determine, advocate and/or advance the interstate and interjurisdictional endorsement of medical licensure on such terms and under such conditions as the organization may determine desirable to protect and promote uniformity in the administration of medical practice acts.

SEC. C. To develop and improve the quality of licensing examinations given to members of the medical profession, and to assist by means of research and study the member medical boards to improve the quality of their examinations.

SEC. D. To obtain and disseminate information regarding proposed legislation and administrative actions affecting the healing arts and licensure.

ARTICLE IV

SEC. A. To conduct its affairs, the corporation shall have and exercise all of the powers enumerated in Section 21-1904, R.R.S. 1943, together with any and all powers granted by the Nebraska Nonprofit Corporation Act and the laws of the State of Nebraska which may be necessary or convenient to carry out the purposes for which the corporation is organized, provided such acts and powers are in furtherance of the educational and scientific purposes of the corporation and provided further that no substantial part of the activities or funds of the corporation shall be devoted to carrying on propaganda or otherwise attempting to influence legislation and the corporation shall not participate or intervene in any political campaign on behalf of any candidate for public office.

SEC. B. The corporation may contract and become bound for debts and may convey, encumber or charge its property after an affirmative vote of at least a majority of the members of the Board of Directors.

SEC. C. Upon dissolution or final liquidation of the corporation, all remaining assets shall be distributed only for scientific or educational purposes.

ARTICLE V

The corporation shall have members which will be classified as follows:

SEC. A. Medical Boards

SEC. B. Fellows

SEC. C. Honorary Fellows

SEC. D. Associate Members

SEC. E. Courtesy Members

SEC. F. Affiliate Member Boards

The qualifications, rights, obligations and manner of election of the members in each of the various categories of membership shall be set forth in the corporation's Bylaws. The corporation shall not issue stock and shall declare no dividends.

ARTICLE VI

The affairs of the corporation shall be conducted by a Board of Directors of not less than five members, the exact number of which shall be fixed by the Bylaws, including a President, a President-elect, Vice President, Secretary, Treasurer and such other officers as may be provided for in the Bylaws. The members of the Board of Directors and the officers shall be elected or appointed at such times and in such manner and for such terms as may be prescribed in the Bylaws.

ARTICLE VII

There shall be nine Directors constituting the initial Board of Directors. The names and addresses of the persons serving as the initial Directors are:

R.C. Derbyshire, MD
227 East Palace Avenue
Santa Fe, New Mexico

Frederick T. Merchant, MD
1051 Harding Memorial Parkway
Marion, Ohio

George H. Lage, MD
812 S.W. Washington St.
Portland, Oregon

Leo T. Heywood, MD
828 Medical Arts Building
Omaha, Nebraska

Rhett McMahan, MD
304 Reymond Building
Baton Rouge, Louisiana

P.T. Lamey, MD
422 Citizens Bank Building
Anderson, Indiana

M.H. Crabb, MD
1707 Medical Arts Building
Fort Worth, Texas

Bernard A. O'Hora, MD
110 West Sugnet Road
Midland, Michigan

Harold E. Jervey, Jr., MD
1515 Bull Street
Columbia, South Carolina

ARTICLE VIII

The corporation's registered address is to be the address of the executive office of the Federation of State Medical Boards, designated as the Secretary's office until a permanent executive office is established.

ARTICLE IX

The names and addresses of the incorporators are:

R.C. Derbyshire, MD
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ARTICLE X

The private property of the incorporators, directors and officers shall not be subject to the payment of corporate debts.

ARTICLE XI

The Articles of Incorporation may be amended at any duly called meeting of the members of the corporation by the affirmative vote of at least three-fourths of the Medical Board members present and voting. The corporation's Bylaws may be adopted, amended or repealed in such a manner as may be provided in the Bylaws.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, we execute these Articles of Incorporation this 8th day of February 1966.

/s/ R.C. Derbyshire, MD
/s/ Rhett McMahan, MD
/s/ Harold E. Jervey, Jr., MD
/s/ Leo T. Heywood, MD
/s/ Bernard A. O'Hora, MD

/s/ George H. Lage, MD
/s/ M.H. Crabb, MD
/s/ Frederick T. Merchant, MD
/s/ P.T. Lamey, MD

On the 8th day of February 1966, before me, the undersigned Notary Public in and for Douglas County, State of Nebraska, personally appeared R.C. Derbyshire, MD; George H. Lage, MD; Rhett McMahon, MD; M.H. Crabb, MD; Harold E. Jervy, Jr., MD; Frederick T. Merchant, MD; Leo T. Heywood, MD; P.T. Lamey, MD; and Bernard A. O’Hora, MD, to me known to be the identical persons whose names are subscribed to the foregoing instrument, and they acknowledge the execution thereof and the signatures thereon to be their voluntary act and deed for the purposes set out therein.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and notorial seal the date last above written.

(SEAL) /s/ William J. Hotz, Jr.
Notary Public

Amendments to the Articles of Incorporation of the Federation of State Medical Boards of the United States, Inc.:

April 12, 2003: Article VI of the Articles of Incorporation of the Federation of State Medical Boards of the United States, Inc., was amended by the House of Delegates on April 12, 2003, to read:

The affairs of the corporation shall be conducted by a Board of Directors of not less than five members, the exact number of which shall be fixed by the Bylaws, including a Chair, a Chair-Elect, Vice Chair, Secretary, Treasurer and such other officers as may be provided for in the Bylaws. The members of the Board of Directors and the officers shall be elected or appointed at such times and in such manner and for such terms as may be prescribed in the Bylaws.

May 1, 2004: Article VI of the Articles of Incorporation of the Federation of State Medical Boards of the United States, Inc., was amended by the House of Delegates on May 1, 2004, to read:

Effective at the time of the House of Delegates Annual Meeting in 2006, the affairs of the corporation shall be conducted by a Board of Directors of not less than five members, the exact number of which shall be fixed by the Bylaws, including a Chair, a Chair-Elect, Secretary, Treasurer and such other officers as may be provided for in the Bylaws. The members of the Board of Directors and the officers shall be elected or appointed at such times and in such manner and for such terms as may be prescribed in the Bylaws.”

April 22, 2017: Article V of the Articles of Incorporation of the Federation of State Medical Boards of the United States, Inc., was amended by the House of Delegates on April 22, 2017, as follows:

The corporation shall have members which will be classified as follows:

SEC. A. Medical Boards

SEC. B. Fellows

SEC. C. Honorary ~~Members~~ Fellows

SEC. D. Associate Members

SEC. E. ~~Life Members~~ Courtesy Members

SEC. F. Affiliate Member Boards