



Regulations of the Swiss Association of Young Neurologists

Preamble

The Swiss Association of Young Neurologists (SAYN) is the voice of neurology trainees in Switzerland. The SAYN is organised as a subsidiary of the Swiss Neurological Society (SNS) and structured into a board and a core group, which includes the SAYN Local Representatives (1-2 representatives per 'A' Neurology Department in Switzerland). Therefore, the SNS bylaws apply to the SAYN. The constitution and organisation of the SAYN are defined according to the SAYN regulations, which are described in this document in detail. The composition of the SAYN Board should be balanced for gender, region, language, and years of experience in neurology.

Art. 1. Board

The Board consists of the President, Past President, Vice President, Secretary, Treasurer, Event Officer, and Media Officer. The President is elected for two years and remains on the Board as Past President until the end of the new President's term. All other Board Members are elected for one year. The President may introduce additional Board positions (Member at large). This does not require a change of the SAYN regulations. The call for Board elections and new positions has to be announced at least two weeks before the elections.

The Board is elected by the Local Representatives (one vote per 'A Department'). A minimum of five 'A Departments' need to cast a vote. The election of the President requires at least 50% of the votes. For all other Board positions, candidates with the most votes are elected for the corresponding position. Elections take place during the SAYN autumn workshop but can be postponed due to extraordinary circumstances. The following elections should be held around one year after the new election date.

Every Board member can approach the Board and resign at any time. In such a case, the Board will open a call for a replacement within two weeks and organise the election within six weeks.

Art. 2. Local Representatives

The SAYN Local Representatives form a network linking neurology trainees with the SAYN Board and connecting Neurology 'A Departments' within Switzerland. In general, Local Representatives are expected to announce their successor to the SAYN Board when resigning. How the successor is determined, is up to the trainees of the corresponding Neurology Department.

Art. 3. Motion of No Confidence

If five or more 'A Departments' express their concerns and put forward a no-confidence motion via their Local Representatives. The Board has to organise a no-confidence meeting (in-person or virtual meeting) within two weeks. The Board Member in question will receive the opportunity to address the concerns, followed by the no-confidence vote.

Art. 4. Regulation Changes

The SAYN regulations can be revised at any time, however, need to be approved by the majority (50% or more) of 'A Departments' via their Local Representatives.