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## BOARD OF DIRECTORS AS A DELEGATION TO THE HOUSE OF DELEGATES BOD Y06-19-07-07 [Amended BOD Y01-16-02-03; Initial: BOD Y11-15-04-02] [Policy]

The APTA Board of Directors (Board) has the duty to forward motions it deems necessary to help achieve APTA's mission, vision, and strategic plan. A majority vote by the Board is required to forward a motion to the House of Delegates (House).

Acting as a delegation, the Board has an obligation to provide delegates and other key stakeholders in the House with its position on all motions coming from other delegations in the House given the Board's fiduciary role and insight with governance of APTA. For motions made by other delegations in the House, the Board's position on each motion will be categorized as one of the following:

- No decision: All motions are first considered as a "no decision," pending further information about the motion. As information becomes available, the Board will make one of the decisions below.
  - Cosponsor: The Board agrees with the motion and will advocate in support of the motion.
  - o Agree: The Board agrees with the motion, but no action will be taken.
  - o Neutral: The Board neither supports nor opposes.
  - o Disagree: The Board disagrees with the motion, but no action will be taken.
  - Oppose: The Board disagrees with the motion and will advocate for defeat of the motion.

The Board cosponsors motions to the House from other delegations that the Board intends to actively support and when the Board deems the motion necessary to advance APTA's mission, vision, and strategic plan.

The Board opposes motions to the House from other delegations that the Board intends to actively defeat, and when the Board believes the motion neither meets the Board's fiduciary responsibilities nor advances APTA's mission, vision, and strategic plan.

A two-thirds vote by the Board is required to cosponsor or oppose another delegation's motion. A simple majority vote by the Board is required to take a position of agree, neutral, or disagree with another delegation's motion.

The APTA president will share these definitions on an annual basis with the House through regular communication.

## **Explanation of Reference Numbers:**

<u>BOD P00-00-00-00</u> stands for Board of Directors/month/year/page/vote in the Board of Directors Minutes; the "P" indicates that it is a position (see below). For example, BOD P11-97-06-18 means that this position can be found in the November 1997 Board of Directors minutes on Page 6 and that it was Vote 18.

P: Position | S: Standard | G: Guideline | Y: Policy | R: Procedure