



**American
Academy of
Home Care
Medicine**



AAHCM Membership Standards
as adopted by the Executive Committee
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1. All clinicians (MD, DO, NP, PA) providing home care medicine services are expected to practice within the scope of their license. The practice/program should follow the AAHCM's *Recommended Clinical Guidelines for Quality Home Care Medicine*.
2. All members must abide by the *Principles of Medical Ethics*, and applicable Bylaws of the American Academy of Home Care Medicine.
3. Applicants and members are required to disclose to the AAHCM any violations of the minimum service standards in 1) *Principles of Medical Ethics*, or 2) unprofessional conduct including actions taken regarding professional licensure, medical staff privileges in hospitals or other facilities, or felony or fraud convictions.

Membership Policies and Procedures with edits from nonprofit legal counsel

1. All members will be provided copies of the Membership Standards, *Principles of Medical Ethics*, *Recommended Clinical Guidelines for Quality Home Care Medicine*, and Bylaws as well as references to same in their new member packets.
2. Members wishing to be listed on our nationwide listing of providers making house calls shall be required to attest to their compliance with the *Principles of Medical Ethics* and Membership Standards before being listed. They shall be asked to update their information, including compliance during the year, but annually be asked to attest to their continued compliance with the *Principles of Medical Ethics* and Membership Standards. Also, they must maintain current membership in the Academy to be listed on the website.
3. Any reports of alleged member noncompliance with the *Principles of Medical Ethics* or Membership Standards shall be reviewed by the Executive Director and legal counsel, with actions, if any, recommended for approval to the Executive Committee or the Board. Only final actions-- revocation of license, felony or fraud convictions shall lead to for termination of membership. However, allegations may lead to notification, and a request for reaffirmation of compliance on the part of the member. Please be advised, the Health Care Quality Improvement Act requires professional societies (such as the AAHCM) to report certain professional review activities, including denial of membership, to the National Practitioner Data Bank.