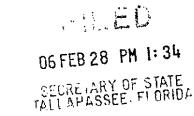
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Articles of Amendment To Articles of Incorporation of

The Council of State Home Health & Hospice Associations, Inc.

Pursuant to the provisions of section 607.1006, Florida Statutes, this Florida not-for-profit corporation adopts the following amendments to its Articles of Incorporation:

NEW CORPORATE NAME:

The Council of State Home Care Associations, Inc.

AMENDMENTS ADOPTED (additions are underlined; deletions are struck through):

ARTICLE III PURPOSE

The purposes for which this corporation is organized are to:

- 1. <u>Unify</u>, strengthen and empower state associations representing home care so they may effectively serve their members.
- 2. Serve as a vehicle for all state associations to communicate a consistent message for the future of home care.
- 3. Provide an <u>independent</u> organization, for its state association members, that effectively interacts, cooperates, and coordinates home care policy, and related action steps, with national home care associations; and
- 4. Plan and conduct periodic meetings and educational offerings, on-site and via telecommunications, which inform and support its association members in their fundamental goal of advancing the high-quality clinical care and the business success of each of their home care provider members.

ARTICLE IV MEMBERSHIP

Section 1 Regular Members

THE COUNCIL'S membership shall be comprised of the following organizations:

1. State associations that represent, on a statewide basis, the home health agencies in the state:

state associations that represent, on a statewide basis, home care providers in the state.

Section 2 Regular Member Representation

Each state association shall be represented in COUNCIL meetings by up to two representatives, at least one of whom shall be the Chief Executive or staff Officer or similarly titled person, or a designee of this person, who is responsible for the day-to-day operations of the association, or elected volunteer leader, or a designee of this person. who is responsible for the day-to-day operations of the association.

Section 3 Regular Member Voting Allocations

Each regular member state shall be entitled to one vote.

Section 4 Associate Members

Organizations that provide services or products to home health agencies or in-home care providers may join THE COUNCIL as non-voting associate members.

Section 5 Liability of Members

In accordance with non-profit corporation laws, no member of THE COUNCIL shall be personally liable for any debts or obligations of THE COUNCIL by virtue of their being members of THE COUNCIL.

ARTICLE V MANNER OF ELECTION OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS

Section 1. There shall be nine members on the Board of Directors. Each Board member shall be a Chief Staff Officer or Elected Volunteer Leader of a regular member. Four members shall be elected at large. Each of the five remaining members shall be elected from these five Council Districts which are formed from the combined Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS) regions which are comprised of the states indicated:

- Council District I: CMS regions I & II (CT, MA, ME, NH, RI, VT, NJ, NY & PR);
- Council District II: CMS regions III & IV (DE, DC, MD, PA, VA, WV, AL, FL, GA, KY, MS, NC, SC, & TN);
- Council District III: CMS regions V & VI (IL, IN, MI, MN, OH, WI, AR, LA, NM, OK & TX);
- Council District IV: CMS regions VII & VIII (IA, KS, MO, NE, CO, MT, ND, SD, UT & WY);
- Council District V: CMS regions IX & X (AZ, CA, HI, NV, AK, ID, OR & WA).

Section 2. Elections shall be conducted as stated in the By-laws. Initial elected terms may be staggered between one-year and two-year terms.

Section 3. The Regular Members of the Board are elected elect directors for two (2) year terms. At the time of each election for members of the Board of Directors, each candidate shall be identified on the ballot as a candidate for Chair, Vice Chair or Secretary/Treasurer.

The date of each amendments adoption is February 17, 2006.

The amendments were approved by the board of directors and the members.

Warren Hebert

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Chairman of the Board