**Pediatrics Ultrasound Community of Practice Constitution**

**The Ohio State University College of Medicine**

**Article I:**

*Section 1: Name:*The name of this organization shall be The Pediatrics Ultrasound Community of Practice at The Ohio State University College of Medicine (OSUCOM) . The colloquial name for this organization shall be the Peds COP.

*Section 2: Purpose:* The purpose of our organization is to increase clinician use, accessibility, and knowledge of focused ultrasound within the field of Pediatrics and Emergency Medicine throughout the Wexner Medical Center and other institutions at which members train through medical student, resident, fellow, and faculty involvement.

*Section 3: Non-Discrimination Policy:* This organization shall not discriminate on the basis of race, color, religion, national origin, ancestry, age, gender, sexual orientation, disability, or any other bases under the law, in its activities, programs, admission, and employment.

**Article II: Membership**

Membership shall be open to any currently enrolled student at OSUCOM, as well Pediatrics and Emergency Medicine residents, fellows, and attendings within the Ohio State Department of Pediatrics (Nationwide Children’s Hospital) or Department of Emergency Medicine.

**Article III: Removing a Member or Officer**

Any member may make a motion for the removal of any officer providing that evidence is presented to support the removal. Grounds for removal include the inadequate fulfillment of duties or the violation of regulations described in University policies, or any federal, state, or local laws.

A two-thirds vote by the membership is needed to remove an officer.

Two-thirds of the active members must be present at the time of voting. An election for a new officer should be conducted at the next scheduled business meeting.

**Article IV: Organization of Leadership**

*President:* His/Her/Their role is to preside over meetings and to serve as the official organizer of all aspects of the COP, from attendings to medical students. In addition, the president will plan meetings that focus on direct interaction with faculty, fellows, residents, etc. from the Ohio State Department of Pediatrics (Nationwide Children’s Hospital) or Department of Emergency Medicine. The president will also oversee all clinical care, research, education, and administration within the COP.

*Vice President:* His/Her/Their role is to assume the duties of the president in his/her/their absence. In addition, the vice president will supervise and organize Journal Club meetings.

*Treasurer:* His/Her/Their role is to keep track of all financial transactions and attend relevant training sessions/meetings.

*Faculty Advisor:* The Executive Board shall nominate faculty within the Ohio State Department of Pediatrics or Department of Emergency Medicine (at least 75% full-time equivalent) to serve as advisor to the COP. His/Her/Their role is to keep close communication with the President and executive board regarding the ongoings of the COP. He/She/They will provide oversight and recommendations on the direction of the COP.

**Article V: Selection of Leadership**

The following officers shall be appointed by the previous executive board on a yearly basis: President, Vice President (Secondary Leader), Treasurer. Officers must be in good academic standing.

Newly elected officers should assume office immediately following the meeting in which they are appointed.

**Article VI: Amendments to the Constitution**

Any member of the organization may present amendments to the Constitution at any regularly scheduled business meeting. After reading the current Constitution along with the proposed change, the change will be cast to a vote. A four-fifths majority is necessary to pass the amendment. Two-thirds of the active membership must be present at the time of voting.

Amendments to the Constitution must be submitted to and approved by the Coordinator for Student Organizations before they become effective.

We agree to abide by all regulations, all University policies, in addition to all federal, state, and local laws.

**Article VII: Method of Dissolution of the Organization**

Upon the official dissolution of the organization, Student Activities staff will be contacted to remove organization information from the website. Should any funds remain, they will be returned to the source from whence it came.