

FAQ Sheet for National CHCI-AA Elections:



What is the definition of a surrogate?

Individuals acting on behalf of another with the purpose of campaigning on their behalf.

What is an example of direct contact for soliciting votes? Utilizing direct text messages, emails, or other social media applications to solicit votes. What is the informational interviewing meeting for?

To facilitate a conversation where interest and intent are discussed, the candidate may ask questions to elaborate on their candidacy and understand the role commitment. Note: Any information gathered from this conversation will not be shared and will remain confidential. Candidates will be encouraged to share their views publicly per the guidelines and to have a message with the alumni association around the questions to support their candidacy.

Why can't I connect directly through my alumni group?

To support a fair, competitive election, we ask that you not take advantage of existing relationships in a group setting.

Do I have to use the CHCI provided marketing logos?

CHCI will provide all candidates with the same branding to be included in their campaigns to encourage a fair, competitive election.

Do I have to post as much as the social media policy lists?

The social media policy placed serves as the max that a candidate may conduct outreach. It is up to the candidate if they would like to post for a second time.

Can I post my candidate announcement on my own social media network?

CHCI will coordinate all campaign posts on the Alumni pages. Candidates should send directly to CHCI, following the guidelines detailed in the Social Media Policy. Candidates can encourage their supporters/likes to share.

How will the violation reporting process/system work?

Any violation will be rooted to the ethics officer or alternate point of contact who will review each case and weigh the information against the by-laws. Any violation can result in the individual losing their "good standing" status with CHCI overall.

What is professional decorum?

To engage with all alumni professionally, we will not support any campaign with discriminatory, misleading, accusatory, abusive, and repetitive/overbearing language or intent. Campaign materials should not reflect opposing candidates negatively or be misleading in nature. Campaigns are encouraged to focus on their qualifications/interests in the position.

What are the mechanisms to strip alumni of good standing?

CHCI has the ability to strip alumni in good standing.

How are CHCI-AA leaders going to be held accountable?

- Election Committee and CHCI, in conjunction, will address election rule violations. (Ethics violations are ongoing)
- *Conflict of Interest/Financial Relationships* rules existing for CHCI will be extended to CHCI-AA.

Conduct a performance evaluation during the term being served. CHCI can motion a vote of No Confidence to evaluate an officer believed not to be meeting the minimum responsibilities of the role (i.e., does not attend two (2) or more meetings in a quarter, absence of an annual operating plan and budget).