See voting link provided to indicate your preference. Vote on/before December 15, 2020.

Endorsed by the Executive Committee of the Society for Health Psychology (SfHP; APA Division 38) on 8/06/20.

**Current SfHP Bylaws**  
(Last revision: August, 2018)

**Article I - Name and Purpose**

a. The name of this organization shall be the Society for Health Psychology (“SfHP” or “the Society” hereafter).

**Article II- Membership**

d. The Treasurer/Secretary will make a recommendation for any changes in dues. This recommendation will be voted on by the SfHP Executive Committee and voting members attending the SfHP Membership Meeting at the APA Annual Convention. Any changes approved by the SfHP Executive Committee must be ratified by a simple majority of those members attending the SfHP Membership Meeting.  

e. n/a

**Article III - Officers**

a. The Officers of the Society shall consist of a President, President-Elect, Past-President, Treasurer/Secretary, and three Members-at-Large. Each shall perform the usual duties of the respective office and specific duties provided elsewhere in these Bylaws or as assigned by the Executive Committee.

b. The President, the Past-President, the President-Elect, the Treasurer/Secretary, the three Members-at-Large, and the APA Council Representatives shall constitute the Executive Committee. The Executive Committee shall have general supervision of the affairs of the Society, performing the duties and abiding by the limitations specified in these Bylaws. Actions of the Executive Committee affecting Society policy are subject to general approval by majority vote of the members

**Proposed SfHP Bylaws**  
(Revision: October, 2020)

**Article I - Name and Purpose**

a. The name of this organization shall be the Society for Health Psychology, Division 38 of the American Psychological Association (“SfHP” or “the Society” hereafter).

**Article II- Membership**

d. The Treasurer/Secretary will make a recommendation for any changes in dues. Any changes approved by the SfHP Executive Committee must be ratified by a two-thirds vote of the members present at any annual meeting of the Society or by a similar proportion of those replying to a mail and/or electronic ballot of the eligible membership.  

e. Any Member or Affiliate of the Society may be removed from the Society for cause by a vote of two thirds of the Executive Committee. Action such as unethical practices, unprofessional behavior, or conduct reflecting unfavorably upon the Society or the field of health psychology is to be considered sufficient cause for expulsion from the Society.

**Article III - Officers**

a. The Officers of the Society shall consist of a President, Past-President, President-Elect, Treasurer/Secretary, three Members-at-Large, APA Council Representatives, and a Diversity and Inclusion Officer. Each shall perform the usual duties of the respective office and specific duties provided elsewhere in these Bylaws or as assigned by the Executive Committee.

b. The President, Past-President, President-Elect, Treasurer/Secretary, three Members-at-Large, APA Council Representatives, and the Diversity and Inclusion Officer shall constitute the Executive Committee. The Executive Committee shall have general supervision of the affairs of the Society, performing the duties and abiding by the limitations specified in these Bylaws.
voting. The voting for such matters shall be conducted at an annual meeting or by special electronic ballots as decided by the Executive Committee.

e. n/a

e. There shall be a Diversity and Inclusion Officer, who shall be elected for a term of three years, to oversee broad diversity and inclusivity efforts on behalf of SFHP. The Diversity and Inclusion Officer will have a broader mandate to increase SFHP member diversity in all domains (including but not limited to age, socioeconomic background, race/ethnicity, culture, gender and gender identity, sexual orientation, religion, language, ability status, and the intersection of multiple underserved identities) and ensure an inclusive environment consistent with the values of SFHP.

f. n/a

f. The President appoints interim Officers or chairs of Councils and Committees when those positions become vacant unexpectedly during his/her term. If an Officer is elected to the APA Board of Directors before her/his SFHP term is complete, s/he must resign from the SFHP Executive Committee.

g. n/a

g. In cases where an elected Officer, other than the President, fails to perform the specified duties of that office as evaluated by the President, the President shall notify the Officer in writing stating the concerns and expectations for remedying the situation. If the Officer continues to fail in the performance of duty, the President may choose to submit to the Past President a written statement and documentation concerning the failure of performance with a recommendation for removal from office. The Past President shall then contact the Officer in question requesting a written response to this recommendation within thirty days. Upon receipt of this response or, if no response is received after thirty days, the Past President shall convene a confidential meeting of the Executive Committee, excluding the President and the Officer in question. The Executive Committee shall then review the documentation. A majority vote of the Executive Committee, excluding the President and the Officer in question, shall be required for removal from office.

In cases where the President fails to perform the specified duties of the office as evaluated by a member of the Executive Committee, that member shall notify the President in writing stating the concerns and expectations for remedying the situation. If the President continues to fail in the performance of duty, the member shall then submit to the Past President a written statement and documentation concerning the failure of performance with a recommendation for removal of office. The Past President shall then contact the President requesting a written response to this recommendation within thirty days. Upon receipt of this response or after a period of thirty days, the Past President shall convene a confidential meeting of the Executive Committee, excluding the President and the member who made the
Article IV – Councils and Committees

a. The Councils and Committees of the Society shall consist of such standing Councils and Committees as may be provided by these Bylaws and such special groupings as may be established by the Executive Committee. In accordance with Article V, Section 7 of the Bylaws of the American Psychological Association, all Councils and Committees shall be subject to review by the Association’s Board of Directors.

Article VI - Amendments

a. These Bylaws may be amended by a two-thirds vote of the members present at any annual meeting of the Society; by a similar proportion of those replying to a mail or electronic ballot of the eligible membership; or by electronic voting coordinated by the APA Elections Office.

b. The outcome of other matters requiring the assent of the membership (e.g., Society officers, apportionment) may be determined by electronic voting coordinated by the APA Elections Office.

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