# **Board Governance Policy**



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## Restrictions on and Obligations of AAD/A Officers, Directors and JAAD Editors

## Leadership positions in other organizations

The president, president-elect, vice president, vice president-elect, secretary-treasurer and assistant secretary-treasurer cannot concurrently serve as an officer of any other national professional society or organization that may pose a conflict of interest. Conflicting positions should be deferred until AAD/A term of service has concluded.

Other than when specifically authorized to do so, when making public appearances, AAD/A officers and directors should affirmatively state that they are speaking in their personal capacity and not on behalf of the AAD/A.

#### Obligations of members serving as AAD/A Officers and Directors

It is the responsibility and obligation of the AAD/A Officers and Directors to serve and represent the AAD/A membership at the:

- four AAD/A Board of Directors meetings each year,
- Academy Annual Meeting each year,
- Innovation Academy Meeting each year,
- annual AAD Leadership Forum each spring,
- annual AADA Legislative Conference in the fall, and
- all Strategic Retreats.

These meetings and events are important for the viability of the organization; they enable the leadership to be interactive, visible and available to serve as mentors and ambassadors of the specialty. Likewise, the presence of the officers and directors at the Legislative Conference enables interaction between AAD/A leadership and members of the legislature.

Officers and directors, in their role as envoys and discernible leaders of the AAD/A, are expected to attend the AAD Annual Meeting and Innovation Academy Meeting (Summer), affiliated Board meetings and ancillary meetings, receptions and events that would benefit from AAD/A leadership representation.

Except in unique and necessary circumstances, officer and director attendance is expected at all AAD/A Board meetings, AAD Annual Meetings, AAD Innovation Academy Meetings, AAD Leadership Forums, and AADA Legislative Conferences, and should take precedence over attendance at any other meetings, conferences, and/or industry/pharma-sponsored events."

#### **JAAD** Journals Editors

The editors and deputy editors of the *Journals of the American Academy of Dermatology (JAAD Journals)* may not serve on the editorial boards of other dermatology journals but may serve on the editorial board of other scientific and medical journals.

To ensure separation between the business interests of the *JAAD* Journals (by the Academy) and editorial decision-making of the *JAAD* Journals (by the editorial team), the *JAAD* Journals editors and deputy editors <u>cannot</u> concurrently serve as an officer or director of the AAD/A.

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