**CHAPTER BYLAWS EXECRPTS RELATED TO NON-CAC DIRECTOR BOARD MEMBERS:**

**TEXAS CHAPTER BYLAWS:**

ARTICLE 3

BOARD OF DIRECTORS

Section 3.1 General Powers: Delegation . The activities, property and affairs of the Corporation shall be managed by its Board of Directors, who may exercise all such powers of the Corporation and do all such lawful acts and things as are permitted by statute, by the Articles of Incorporation or by these Bylaws.

Section 3.2 Confidentiality . Directors shall hold in confidence all pertinent information relating to the business operations and provision of membership services of the organization and will not violate the confidential relationships between the Board, staff, volunteers and program members of the organization.

Section 3.3 Number and Qualifications . The Board of Directors shall consist of up to 35 directors which number shall be designated from time to time by the Board of Directors, provided, that; at no time shall the number of directors be fewer than 7 and no decrease in number shall have the effect of shortening the term of any incumbent director. The Board shall consist of no less than 4 and no more than 10 Center Directors who have been in their position no less than 2 years.

Section 3.4 Selection of Directors and Term of Office . Directors shall be selected in the following manner:

1. Each year, the Board Development Committee shall present to the membership - via mail, fax, e-mail or any combination thereof - a slate of new directors to fill seats that have expired or are vacant. Directors shall be elected by majority vote of the membership via mail, fax e-mail or any combination thereof, in the Fourth quarter of the fiscal year and prior to the August meeting of the Board of Directors. Written or printed notice of the upcoming election of directors shall be delivered not less than ten (10) nor more than thirty (30) days prior to collection of ballots, either by mail, fax or e-mail, by or at the direction of the President or Secretary, to each director entitled to participate election of directors.
2. Following the election of new Board members by the membership, the Board of Directors shall affirm the election results at its annual meeting. The Board will adopt measures to ensure full participation by the membership in this process.
3. Elected directors shall serve for one (1) three-year term and are eligible to serve two consecutive terms or a total of 6 consecutive years commencing on September 1 following their election or on such other date as the directors may specify, or until their earlier death, resignation, retirement, disqualification or removal from office. In the event of an increase in the number of directors, additional directors shall be elected for such terms as the Board shall specify.
4. No elected director shall serve more than two (2) consecutive 3 year terms or 6 consecutive years, except that the President and the Immediate Past President may continue as directors while holding such offices.
5. The directors may from time to time elect additional directors to serve ex-officio, without voting rights. The Office of the Attorney General and Child Protective Services may appoint an ex-officio member.

**WASHINGTON STATE CHAPTER BYLAWS**

**ARTICLE V: BOARD OF DIRECTORS**

Section 1. Management

The business affairs of the Association shall be managed by its Board of Directors and carried out, through delegated authority, by the Executive Director of the CACWA.

Section 2. Number of Directors

The number of Directors constituting the Board of Directors shall be no less than six (6) and no greater than sixteen (16).

Section 3. Positions

Children’s Advocacy Centers in Washington State who are accredited by National Children’s Alliance and are in good standing with CACWA shall have one seat on the CACWA board of directors. The Children’s Advocacy Center may appoint either the director or a designee to the board. To be considered in good standing with CACWA, board members must be in compliance with the current approved Board Contract.

In addition to Accredited CAC representatives, there may be at-large members on the CACWA board of directors. These members shall be elected to the board at the annual membership meeting and may represent any of the disciplines included in Children’s Advocacy Centers, developing Children’s Advocacy Centers, or other organizations that are considered consistent with the purpose of CACWA. At-large members shall not have a fiduciary relationship with an accredited center in Washington State.

**MASSACHUSETTS CHAPTER:**

# ARTICLE VI – BOARD OF DIRECTORS

**section 1.** the business affairs of the corporation shall be managed by its board of directors.

**section 2.** only directors or program staff of voting member programs shall fill slots allotted to said programs on the board of directors. At least 51 % of the voting membership shall be represented on the board. the board’s composition shall include, but not be limited to, representatives from cac programs in good standing on both the national and state levels no cac program may have more than two (2) representatives serving on the board at the same time.

There shall be at least one (1) individual on the Board representing the following disciplines:

* Victim Advocate
* Consumer
* Prosecutor
* SAIN Coordinator/Forensic Interviewer
* CAC Director
* Law Enforcement
* Mental Health
* Department of Social Services
* Medical

the number of directors constituting the board of directors shall be no less that fifteen (15) and no greater than twenty-one (21) as determined by the voting members at the annual meeting. the board of directors is elected by the voting membership at the annual meeting. the term of office for a director shall be three years, with no more than three (3) consecutive terms to be served.

**Excerpt From California Bylaws**

Directors shall be of the age of majority in the State of California and a minimum of nine (9) Directors shall be representatives of Member CACs. The remaining Directors may be

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representatives of professional disciplines, including Associate Members, providing expertise which will further the goals of the Organization.

**Number of Directors; Election; Term**

(a) All Directors will be elected by the membership at large. The number of Directors shall be fourteen (14), with at least four (4) representing the Northern Consortium and at least four (4) Directors representing the Southern Consortium. A change to the number of Directors may only be adopted by approval of the Members

(b) Directors shall be elected by simple majority..

(c) Members of the Board of Directors shall be elected for a term of three years. A Board Member may not serve more than two consecutive terms unless a longer time is required to complete a term as an officer of the organization, or to begin service as an officer-elect.

**NORTH CAROLINA CHAPTER BYLAWS**

**ARTICLE IV – BOARD OF DIRECTORS**

Section 1. General Powers: Delegation. The activities, property and affairs of the Corporation shall be managed by its Board of Directors, who may exercise all such powers of the Corporation and do all such lawful acts and things as permitted by statute, by the Articles of Incorporation or by these Bylaws.

Section 2. Number and Qualifications. The Board of Directors shall consist of no less than 11 and no more than 21 Directors which number shall be designated from time to time by the Board of Directors. The Board of Directors shall consist of no less than 4 and no more than 14 CAC Directors from accredited CAC’s.

Section 3. Selection of Directors and Term of Office. Directors shall be selected in the following manner:

(i) Nominations for the Board of Directors will be solicited from the membership and from the current Board of Directors at the beginning of each calendar year. The Board Development Committee will review the nominations and present a slate to the Board of Directors. Upon approval by the Board of Directors the slate will be presented to the membership for election by ballot before May 30 of each year.

(ii) Elected Directors shall serve a three year term. No elected Director shall serve more than two (2) consecutive 3 year terms, unless a longer time is required to complete a term as officer of CACNC.

**Georgia Chapter**

*5.2 ‐ Number*

The number of individuals constituting the CACGA Board of Directors shall be no fewer than

twelve (12.)

5.3 – Representation

The Board Directors shall be comprised of CACGA center members and community

representatives from throughout the state. At least 25% of the CACGA Board of Directors’

representation will come from Full and Associate Member Centers or multidisciplinary team

professional staff, not to exceed one staff person from an individual Member Center, and at least

25% of the Board will be community representatives and other leaders from throughout the state.