



Intestinal Rehabilitation & Transplant ASSOCIATION

Dear Members,

The Council has recommended that the name of Intestinal Rehabilitation and Transplant Association (the “Corporation”) be changed to “International Intestinal Rehabilitation and Transplant Association.”

The reason for this change is the following:

The IRTA is in the process of launching a Journal where its members and physician-scientists in related disciplines can publish their work in this important emerging field. The development of a Request for Proposals (RFP) to medical publishers who may be interested in helping the Association to launch this important new vehicle has begun and the proposed journal title is *Journal of the International Intestinal Rehabilitation and Transplant Association (JIIRTA)*.

Until our more recent name change to IRTA in 2015, we were called ISBTS (International Small Bowel Transplant Society) Since the IRTA covers the spectrum of basic, translational and clinical science related to intestinal transplantation and rehabilitation internationally, it would offer clarity of this fact if IRTA changed its name to include the word “International” to better reflect this work as in the past.

The council has also recommended to replace the current wording in the bylaws to “**Section 2, Selection of Members**” from:

Current wording

“Any Member of the Association may apply to become a Full Member or Allied Health member of the Association by submitting a written or electronic application to the Secretary-Treasurer. Any person who is not a Member of the Association may apply to become a Trainee Member of the Association by submitting to the Secretary-Treasurer a written application supported by the signature of one voting Member. The Secretary-Treasurer shall transmit the application to the Council. The Council, by a vote of a majority of its members, shall approve and elect Full Members, Allied Health Members, and Trainee Members. Honorary Members shall be proposed, seconded and elected by a majority vote of the voting Members of the Association by written consent or at a Business Meeting of the Association.”

New wording

"A person may apply to become a Full, Allied Health or Trainee Member by submitting a completed online application. Persons still in training who are applying for Trainee Membership must also submit a letter from the Program Director confirming the candidate's status as a trainee, the nature of the training program and estimated year of completion. Honorary Members shall be elected by the council by unanimous vote”

The reason for this change is the following:

To simplify and expedite the process for applying to become a member of the Association.

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The recipients of this document being all of the Corporation, do hereby consent to the actions in the form of votes set forth below.

NAME _____

- That the Certificate of Incorporation be amended to reflect a name change of the Corporation from “Intestinal Rehabilitation and Transplant Association” to “International Intestinal Rehabilitation and Transplant Association”.
- That the Amendment to the Certificate of Incorporation set forth on Exhibit A hereto (the “Amendment”) to affect the Name Change is hereby adopted and approved.
- That the Bylaws be amended to reflect a name change of the Corporation from “Intestinal Rehabilitation and Transplant Association” to “International Intestinal Rehabilitation and Transplant Association”.
- That the Bylaws be amended to reflect the change in wording to Section 2, Selection of Members”
- That the Amended Bylaws set forth on Exhibit B hereto (the “Amended Bylaws”) is hereby adopted and approved.
- That the President, Treasurer and Secretary of the IRTA be, and they hereby are, authorized to execute and deliver in the name and on behalf of the IRTA any agreement, certificate, approval or other document or instrument, and to take any and all other actions which they shall deem necessary or appropriate to effectuate the intent of the foregoing resolutions and to carry into effect all documents and instruments to be executed in connection therewith, all with such changes thereto as said President, Treasurer and Secretary may deem necessary or appropriate, the execution and delivery thereof to be conclusive evidence of the authority granted hereby.
- That all actions heretofore taken by any officer, member or director of the Corporation in connection with and matter referred to or contemplated in any of the foregoing resolutions are hereby approved, ratified and confirmed in all respects.