

## Notice of Special Resolution

Notice is hereby given that the following Special Resolution is proposed by the Directors for consideration, and if thought fit, passing by members of the Professionals in Cardiac Sciences Australia Inc in attendance and entitled to vote at the **Annual General Meeting** to be held on **4th December 2024** via **Zoom** at **7:00pm AEDT**.

## Special Resolution

"That the deletions, insertions, and changes to the current Constitution as set out in Schedule 1 be immediately adopted."

## Explanatory Memorandum to Members regarding the proposed Special Resolution: Summary of key changes with explanation

### Rule 8 - Membership Categories Revised:

1. Improve descriptions for each membership category for greater clarity.
2. Rename "Associate" membership as "Early Career" membership to avoid confusion with the "Affiliate" category.
3. Remove Industry membership as a separate category. Industry-employed members will be absorbed into Professional, Early Career, or Affiliate membership categories, with a note added to assist with appropriate category selection.
4. Set an appropriate undergraduate degree as a minimum requirement for professional and early career membership, facilitating PiCSA's future inclusion in Allied Health Professions Australia (AHPA).
5. Encourage ASAR and/or ACCP membership to promote professionalism.
6. Make Affiliate membership available at no cost to members of New Zealand's Society of Cardiopulmonary Technology (SCT), reflecting a new reciprocal agreement with the SCT.
7. Specify that Affiliate membership now includes people residing outside of Australia who are not Australian citizens.
8. Add a conflict of interest note: voting rights may be limited by the PiCSA board on selected issues when a conflict of interest is deemed possible or perceived, to uphold the association's integrity.

### Rule 9 - Application for Membership Revised:

1. Updated to reflect online application (replacing paper form applications).

### Rule 12 - Annual Subscription Revised:

1. Updated to reflect an auto-renewal and rolling membership year (members can now join on any date, with renewals due on the anniversary of that date).

### Rules 31 and 35 - Quorum requirements:

1. The quorum for general meetings and special general meetings is now 10 voting members (previously 10% of voting membership).

**Rules 51 and 53 - Terms of Office for Directors Revised:**

1. Directors shall now serve a term of 3 years (increased from 2 years).
2. Set a maximum limit of 3 consecutive terms (9 years).
3. Transitional provision added to support these changes and ensure fresh perspectives on the PiCSA board.

**Other Adjustments:**

1. Formatting improvements.
2. Minor adjustments to modernise technology references and improve grammar, spelling, readability, and clarity.

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**SCHEDULE 1**

**Access to Full Text:**

- Please refer to the following link [<https://picsa.org.au/wp-content/uploads/2024/11/Rules-for-Professionals-in-Cardiac-Sciences-Australia-Inc-Dec-2024-Draft.pdf>] for access to the complete text of the revised document.