NEONATOLOGY FORUM MUMBAI

Rules and regulations of elections

Election schedule and process:

• Election will be carried out every 2 years between the months of October to December. The applications for the post of President, Vice President, Secretary and Joint Secretary cum Treasurer will be invited by the election officer from Sept 15 to 30th.

 \bullet The scrutiny of the nominees or the nomination papers will take place on/before $1^{\,\rm st}$ October.

• The names of the valid candidates will be circulated to all contestants by 3rd October by e-mail. The last day of withdrawal will be 11th October before 5 pm.

• The last day for receipt of ballot paper will be 27th November by 5 pm.

•If the election is carried out by show of hands, then it will be carried out in the general body meeting.

• Date of Counting: 28th November

• Declaration of election results: 29th November.

• The EC will decide the mode of conduct of elections. The new office bearers will take charge from 1st January every two years and hold a term of 2 years.

• All members are eligible to vote except associate members

Eligibility for an executive member: NFM member with any of the following degrees-DM, MD, DNB, DCH and Fellowship in Neonatology and residing in Mumbai can be nominated for the post of an executive member and will have the right to contest election.

<u>Associate members</u>: Obstetricians, resident doctors, nurses and technical workers (corporate members) and members who are residing out of Mumbai will be considered as the associate members. They will not have the right to vote or contest an election.

<u>Resident Doctors</u> after obtaining any one of the above mentioned degrees will be considered Regular life members

<u>Technical Worker</u>: The corporate members who are in pharmaceutical field or medical equipment field associated with Neonatology. They will be offered 10% discount in sponsoring NFM conferences and CME. Membership fees of corporate members will be decided from time to time by the executive committee.

<u>An Armed Force/ Naval/ AirForce officer</u> with above mentioned degree who is a member of NFM can be nominated as EC member if residing in Mumbai.

Eligibility for nomination for the post of President:

• The person has to be the member of Neonatology Forum Mumbai (NFM) for 5 years (applicable after 2019).

• The person should have served as an executive committee member for NFM at least one term (2 years).

• The candidate should be working in the field of neonatology for at least ten years with peer group* endorsement.

• Candidate applying for the president post should not be an office bearer in any other academic society at the time of election/ application & during the tenure of the post.

(*: present and past office bearers of NFM)

Eligibility for nomination for the post of Vice-President:

• Same as president, except, working in the field of neonatology for at least eight years with peer group* endorsement. (*: present and past office bearers of NFM)

Eligibility for nomination for the post of secretary:

• The person has to be the member of NFM at least for 2 years

• The person should have served as executive committee member for NFM at least one term (2 years).

• The candidate should be working in the field of neonatology for at least five years with peer group* endorsement. (*: present and past office bearers of NFM)

• Candidate applying for the secretary post should not be an office bearer in any other academic society at the time of election/ application & during the tenure of the post.

Eligibility to nominate for the post of joint secretary cum treasurer.

• The person has to be the member of Neonatology Forum Mumbai (NFM) at least for2 years and recommended to be a member of Central NNF.

• The person should have served as an executive committee member for NFM at least one term (2 years).

• The candidate should be in working in the field of neonatology for at least five years with peer group* endorsement. (*: present and past office bearers of NFM)

• Candidate applying for the joint secretary cum treasurer post should not be an office bearer in any other academic society at the time of election/ application & during the tenure of the post.

<u>Selection of EC members:</u>EC members will be nominated by office bearers. The tenure for all office bearers will be two years.