



Ohio Revised Code

Section 3701.89 Ohio medical quality foundation.

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(A) There is hereby re-created a foundation as described in section 170 of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, 100 Stat. 2085, 26 U.S.C. 1, as amended, which shall be known as the Ohio medical quality foundation. The foundation shall be administered by thirteen trustees, one of whom shall be the director of health and the remaining twelve of whom shall be appointed by the governor within ninety days of July 21, 1994.

(B) Five of the appointed trustees shall hold the degree of doctor of medicine; of those, two shall be appointed to an initial term of three years, one shall be appointed for an initial term of four years, and two shall be appointed for an initial term of five years. Four of the appointed trustees shall be representatives of hospitals; of those, one shall be appointed for an initial term of three years, one shall be appointed for an initial term of five years, and two shall be appointed to an initial term of four years. Two of the appointed trustees shall hold the degree of doctor of osteopathic medicine; of those, one shall be appointed for an initial term of four years and one shall be appointed to an initial term of five years. One of the appointed trustees shall hold the degree of doctor of podiatric medicine and shall be appointed for a term of three years. Thereafter, all trustees appointed by the governor shall be appointed to terms of three years.

(C) The trustees shall act by majority vote with seven trustees constituting a quorum for the transaction of any business or the exercise of any power of the foundation.

(D) All money received by the foundation shall be held in trust by a corporate trustee selected by the foundation trustees, which selection may be changed from time to time. The corporate trustee shall invest, manage, and account for the money held in trust, subject to the approval of the foundation trustees. All investment income shall be credited to the foundation trust funds. All expenses of administration of the foundation shall be charged to the foundation trust funds.

(E) The trustees may:



- (1) Adopt rules and bylaws consistent with subsection 501 (c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code for the regulation of its affairs and the conduct of its business;
 - (2) Employ a staff and retain or contract with attorneys, financial consultants, and accounting experts as are necessary in its judgment to carry out this section;
 - (3) Seek and accept funding from any private or public source for the conduct of its business.
- (F) In a manner consistent with federal income tax exemption status under subsection 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code, the foundation shall fund activities to improve the quality of medical care rendered to the public. The trustees of the money in the foundation trust may fund the following:
- (1) Programs approved under criteria established under section 4731.25 of the Revised Code;
 - (2) Programs designed to improve the quality of graduate medical education;
 - (3) Programs designed to improve risk management and quality assurance in hospitals, as defined in section 3727.01 of the Revised Code, and in outpatient settings including physician offices;
 - (4) Other programs, meetings, and educational seminars that are designed to improve the quality of medical care in Ohio and are determined by the trustees to be consistent with this section.
- (G) The foundation may be organized as a nonprofit corporation formed under Chapter 1702. of the Revised Code.