

CODE OF CONDUCT FOR ASACB BOARD MEMBERS

Goal: To establish a set of principles and practices of the Arkansas Substance Abuse Certification Board (ASACB) that will set parameters and provide guidance and direction for board conduct and decision-making.

Code: Members of the Board of ASACB are committed to observing and promoting the highest standards of ethical conduct in the performance of their responsibilities on the Board of ASACB. Board members pledge to accept this code as a minimum guideline for ethical conduct and shall:

1. Faithfully abide by the Articles of Incorporation, By-laws, and policies of ASACB.
2. Exercise reasonable care, good faith, and due diligence in organizational affairs.
3. Fully disclose, at the earliest opportunity, information that may result in a perceived or actual conflict of interest.
4. Fully disclose, at the earliest opportunity, information of fact that would have significance in board decision-making.
5. Remain accountable for prudent fiscal management to association members, the board, and nonprofit sector, and where applicable, to government and funding bodies.
6. Maintain a professional level of courtesy, respect, objectivity, and civility in all ASACB activities.
7. Strive to uphold those practices and assist other ASACB members of the board in upholding the highest standards of conduct.
8. Exercise the powers invested for the good of all members of the organization rather than for his or her personal benefit, or that of the nonprofit they represent.
9. Balance the interests of organizations we represent with the interests of the ASACB as a whole.
10. Ensure the right of all association members to appropriate and effective services without discrimination on the basis of geography, political, religious, or socio-economical characteristics of the state, region or country represented.
11. Ensure the right of all association members to appropriate and effective services without discrimination on the basis of the organization's volunteer or staff make-up in respect to gender, sexual orientation, national origin, race, religion, age, political affiliation or disability, in accordance with all applicable legal and regulatory requirements.
12. Respect the confidentiality of sensitive information known due to board service.
13. Respect the diversity of opinions as expressed or acted upon by the ASACB board, committees, and membership, and formally register dissent as appropriate.
14. Promote collaboration, cooperation, and partnership among association members.