

Harvard Alumni in Animal Health  
Articles of Incorporation  
April 23, 2017

**Article I. NAME**

The name of the corporation shall be Harvard Alumni in Animal Health, Inc. (the “Corporation”).

**Article II. PURPOSE**

Harvard Alumni in Animal Health is organized for charitable and educational purposes as a Shared Interest Group (SIG) of the Harvard Alumni Association. Its aim is to connect alumni/ae with students and faculty who are interested in the many facets of animal health around the world via various activities, as well as bring visibility to Harvard graduates engaged in this field. This SIG does not advocate for a specific ideology or political or cultural agenda.

**Article III. EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE**

The management of the affairs of the Corporation shall be vested in a Board of Directors, as defined by the corporation's Bylaws. No member of the Board or Officer of the Executive Committee shall have any right, title, or interest in or to any property of the Corporation.

**Article IV. MEMBERSHIP**

This corporation shall have members. The eligibility, rights and obligations of members will be determined by the organization's Bylaws.

**Article V. INITIAL TRUSTEES**

Co-Founding President: Steven M. Niemi, AB '75, DVM

Co-Founding Vice President: Casey L. Cazer, AB '12, DVM

Co-Founding Recording Secretary: Michelle White, AB '05, DVM

Co-Founding Treasurer: (TBD, pending HAA approval)

## **Article VI. DURATION/DISSOLUTION**

The duration of the corporate existence shall be perpetual until dissolution. Upon the dissolution of the organization, assets of the Corporation shall be distributed according to the organization's bylaws in accordance with the applicable part of the Internal Revenue Code.

## **Article VII. EXEMPTION REQUIREMENTS**

At all times the following shall operate as conditions restricting the operations and activities of the Corporation:

1. No part of the net earnings of the organization shall inure to the benefit of, or be distributable to its members, trustees, officers, or other private persons, except that the organization shall be authorized and empowered to pay reasonable compensation for services rendered and to make payments and distributions in furtherance of the purposes as set out in the bylaws.
2. No substantial part of the activities of the Corporation shall constitute attempting to influence legislation, or any initiative or referendum before the public. The Corporation shall not participate in, or intervene in (including by publication or distribution of statements), any political campaign on behalf of, or in opposition to, any candidate for public office.
3. Notwithstanding any other provisions of this document, the organization shall not carry on any other activities not permitted to be carried on by an organization exempt from federal income tax under Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code or corresponding section of any future tax code, or by an organization, contributions to which are deductible under section 170(c) (2) of the Internal Revenue Code, or corresponding section of any future tax code.

[NB: If the SIG chooses to re-incorporate in another state or as a different type of organization, these Articles of Incorporation and associated documents will be changed accordingly. In the meantime and if approved by HAA, an attorney will review these Articles of Incorporation and By-Laws to determine if any corrections are indicated as soon as possible.]