

## CODE OF BEHAVIOUR

For the purpose of this code of behavior, members of the lecturing staff of the Institute, members of the Board of Directors, students currently enrolled in courses of the Institute, and employees of the Institute shall be known as members of the Institute. A member of the Institute is bound by and must observe this code of behavior; observe and reflect the principles of the code in the study, practice and teaching of traditional Chinese Medicine; and submit to the governance of the Board of Directors of the Institution in relation to the code.

Members of the Institution shall:

- a) Conduct themselves at all times with a high standard of morality and decency.
- b) Be competent in their work and keep abreast of the progress of knowledge in the field of traditional Chinese Medicine.
- c) Look upon patients as human beings and not just as cases or merely an environment of a disease.
- d) Bring all resources of their profession to bear in the treatment of a patient and whenever an examination or treatment is beyond their capacity, arrange for consultation with or advice from another professional who has the ability.
- e) Monitor all treatment and therapy for any side-effect or complication and use all caution to prevent unnecessary accidents.
- f) Observe professional confidence in all dealings patients.
- g) Put interests of the patient's interests before their own.
- h) Refrain from criticizing or condemning another member of the healing professions in the presence of lay people.
- i) Support and help to promote the public acceptance of traditional Chinese Medicine as a holistic and comprehensive approach to diagnosis, treatment, and prevention of disease.
- j) Be prompt, punctual, and reliable in the conduct of their profession.
- k) Students are not permitted to advertise or to practice TCM professionally until they have completed their course to the satisfaction of the Institute. Non-observance of this requirement will result in expulsion.

In the event of a member behaving in such a way that will conflict with one or more elements of this code of behavior, that person shall cease to be a member of the Institute. When representing the Institute, and in dealing with students, lecturers should not criticize the Institute management, course content, or fellow lecturers in the presence of students and should not canvass students to advocate the employment of a particular lecturer.

If students raise concerns in any of these areas, their concerns are to be acknowledged and reported to the Principal. Lecturers should raise their concerns with the Principal. Such concerns will be considered by the Board of Directors or Academic Committee.