WBAP Election 2027

Code of Conduct for the Election of Executive Board & Office Bearers of West Bengal Academy of Pediatrics

Following are the components of the code of conduct:

- **Electioneering**
  a. The following actions are **Not Allowed** by contestants: -
  - Advertisements in lay press, any kind of press release and interviews about IAP/WBAP election.
  - Placement of banners with personal names anywhere in the state of West Bengal.
  - Hosting of tea/lunch/dinner/cocktail parties for fellow members from IAP/WBAP, other than Weddings in Immediate Family for which the EC has to be informed before & written permission taken from EC, with submission of Proof (Wedding Card).
  - Negative propaganda about fellow contestants.
  - Use of pressure, inducement or coercion to get votes from fellow IAP/WBAP members.
  - Impersonation of an eligible voter of IAP/WBAP.

  b. Appeals are allowed in the form of emails/ print /electronic mediaother than WBAP website like election letters/ brochures / SMS / Telephone.

1. **Participation as faculty or delegate in programs of Pharmaceutical companies:**

   Pharmaceutical companies and equipment manufacturing companies: After the release of final list of contestants

a. The contestants will not participate as faculty (Speaker or Chairperson) in any academic program directly hosted by any Pharmaceutical Company anywhere in West Bengal.
b. Contestants will not be permitted to avail any assistance from Pharmaceutical or equipment manufacturers for any activity connected with the election.
c. They must strictly abide by the NMCguidelines.
d. Contestants can be delegates at academic programs organized by Pharmaceutical Industry (with exception of Infant Milk Substitutes Industry), but must pay for their own travel, accommodation and registration.

2. **Breach of Code of Conduct;** will be considered if:
   - A written / email complaint is received about the conduct of a contestant from a member of IAP/WBAP and confirmed by the EC after investigation. The complainant must declare his/her name, CIAP/WBAP number & all relevant details needed to identify him/her as a legitimate member of IAP/WBAP.
   - The breach is proved with 'documentary' proof (audio/visual/print/electronic).
   - A documented breach of code of conduct by a contestant may be punishable by disqualification of his / her candidature by the EC.
   - The decision of the EC will be final & binding. Any dispute shall be subject to Kolkata jurisdiction

3. **All contestants will give in writing their acceptance to abide by the above code of conduct by 02.12.2026 by 4pm. Non-compliance with this requirement will automatically disqualify the candidate**

I hereby affirm that I will abide by the code of conduct for the Election of Executive Board and Office Bearer of West Bengal Academy of Pediatrics.