Article I - Name

The name of this organization shall be the South Dakota School of Mines and Technology Future Health Science Professional Club.

Article II – Purpose

The objective of this organization will be to create a community for students interested in the health sciences, to encourage volunteer work, to help students prepare for future academic challenges, and to promote personal and professional growth.

Article III - Membership

Section 1) There will be two categories of members. A member will be considered 'active' if they are able to attend meetings and events. Active members will be eligible to be fill officer positions. A member will be considered an 'associate' if they cannot regularly attend meetings. They will be invited to participate in all events, but will not be eligible to fill officer positions.

Section 2) Any student who is registered for classes and is in good academic standing at SDSM&T is eligible for membership. A member is permitted to terminate their membership at any time.

Section 3) This organization does not discriminate in membership selection, officer election or other appointments, or practices of organizational activities on the basis of race, color, national origin, military status, gender, religion, age, sexual orientation, political preference or disability.

Article IV - Officers

Section 1) Officers

a. President
b. Vice President
c. Secretary
d. Treasurer
e. Activities Coordinator – Will lead organization of club events outside of meetings, including volunteer events and field trips. Also, will work with the other officers to develop in-meeting educational programs.
f. Academic Peer Advisor – Will lead organization of academic based events, such as mock interviews and tests. Will work with the rest of the officers to develop in-meeting educational programs.

Section 2) Terms and Elections

a. One term in an officer position will last for one academic year.
b. Elections will be held in the penultimate meeting of the academic year. The officers elected at this meeting will serve for the following academic year. They will also lead the final meeting of the year under the guidance of the current officers.
Article V - Meetings

Section 1) Meetings will be held every other Monday at 7:00pm.

Section 2) In the event the officers decide that a special meeting is necessary, it will be their responsibility to set up the meeting and inform members of the time and location.

Section 3) At least one officer and three active members must be present at a meeting.

Section 4) The order of business of a regular meeting will be as follows:
   a. Presentation of previous meetings minutes and any old business.
   b. Presentation of new business.
   c. Educational presentation as decided by the Activities Coordinator and the Academic Peer Advisor.

Article VI – University Policies

This organization, including all members, officers and advisors, agrees to abide by all SDSM&T regulations, policies and procedures of an academic, non-academic, legal or financial nature.

This organization does not participate in or encourage any unlawful activity.

This organization, including all members, does not allow hazing in any form. Hazing is defined as an act which endangers the mental or physical health or safety of a student, or which destroys or removes public or private property, for the purpose of initiation, admission into, affiliation with or as a condition for continued membership in, a group or organization.

Article VII – Liability Clauses

This organization requires the use of liability waivers for any high risk activity. “High risk activities” are defined by the South Dakota Office of Risk Management as water recreational activities or athletic events, but in general are those which present the possibility of physical injury. In all cases in which there is doubt about risk, the Campus Environmental Health and Safety Manager (EHS Manager) shall be the final judge. All event participants are required to complete a waiver, especially those which do not receive credit hours. The templates for these waivers are available permanently at [http://sdmines.sdsmt.edu/studentrisk](http://sdmines.sdsmt.edu/studentrisk). In the case of proposed alterations to these waivers, this organization shall first contact the EHS Manager for approval.

Article VIII - Amendments

To be adopted, an amendment must be sent to all members one week prior to voting on it. It must then be voted for by at least two thirds of the active members in the club. Absentee voting will be allowed if not enough active members are present at a meeting.