

Website Terms of Use

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These Website Terms of Use govern access to and use of the American Alternative Care Policy Network website. Please read them carefully together with AACPN's Privacy Policy and, if you purchase or maintain a membership, its Membership Terms and Conditions.

1. Acceptance of These Terms

These Website Terms of Use ("Terms of Use") govern your access to and use of www.aacpn.org and the public and member-facing website features operated by the American Alternative Care Policy Network ("AACPN," "Organization," "we," "us," or "our"). By accessing or using the website, you agree to these Terms of Use.

If you do not agree to these Terms of Use, do not use the website. Additional terms may apply to particular services or activities, including paid memberships, events, forms, surveys, applications, promotions, or other programs.

2. Eligibility and Age Requirements

The website provides general educational, policy, advocacy, and organizational information and is not directed to children under 13. Children under 13 should not submit personal information through the website.

Paid AACPN memberships are restricted to persons who are at least 18 years old and have the legal capacity to enter into a binding recurring membership agreement. By purchasing or maintaining a membership, you represent that you satisfy these requirements.

3. Informational and Educational Purpose

Website content is provided for general informational, educational, policy, research, and advocacy purposes. It is not medical, legal, tax, financial, mental-health, or other professional advice and should not be used as a substitute for advice from a qualified professional who can evaluate your circumstances.

AACPN is not a healthcare provider and does not diagnose, treat, prescribe, or recommend treatment for any individual. References to health conditions, scientific research, regulated products, public policy, or potential benefits or risks do not constitute medical advice, a product endorsement, or a representation that any product is safe, effective, lawful, or appropriate for a particular person.

If you have a medical concern, consult a qualified healthcare professional. In an emergency, contact emergency services.

4. Policy, Legislative, and Advocacy Information

AACPN may publish information about legislation, regulations, government actions, research, policy proposals, and advocacy initiatives. These subjects can change quickly. Although AACPN may identify an update date or link to an official source, AACPN does not warrant that every page is complete, current, or free from error.

Website content does not guarantee that AACPN will adopt or maintain a particular position, undertake a particular lobbying or advocacy activity, obtain a governmental outcome, or act on behalf of any visitor or member. AACPN retains responsibility for its policy positions, priorities, activities, and allocation of resources.

5. Memberships, Payments, and Events

Paid memberships and their benefits, billing, automatic renewal, cancellation, refunds, and account administration are governed by AACPN's Membership Terms and Conditions. If these Terms of Use conflict with the Membership Terms and Conditions concerning a paid membership, the Membership Terms and Conditions control.

Separate registration terms, eligibility rules, prices, refund provisions, codes of conduct, releases, or other conditions may apply to an event, webinar, program, or additional purchase. Those specific terms control that activity to the extent of a conflict with these Terms of Use.

6. Accounts and Member Access

Certain website features may require a Wix site-member account, an active AACPN membership, or a particular membership level. You agree to provide accurate information, maintain the confidentiality of your login credentials, and promptly notify AACPN if you suspect unauthorized access to or use of your account.

You may not share credentials, permit unauthorized use of restricted content, attempt to obtain benefits assigned to another membership level, or use another person's account without authorization. AACPN may suspend or restrict access when reasonably necessary to protect the website, members, AACPN, or third parties or to address suspected fraud, misuse, or a violation of applicable terms.

7. Permitted Use

You may access and use the website for lawful personal, professional, informational, and organizational purposes consistent with these Terms of Use. Unless AACPN gives written permission, website materials may not be used for commercial resale, republishing, systematic distribution, or the creation of a competing publication or service.

8. Prohibited Conduct

You may not:

- Use the website in violation of any applicable law, regulation, court order, or third-party right.
- Interfere with website operation, security, access controls, accounts, servers, or networks.
- Introduce malware, harmful code, automated attacks, or other disruptive material.
- Attempt to gain unauthorized access to restricted pages, accounts, data, or systems.
- Scrape, harvest, copy, or collect website content or personal information through automated means except as authorized by AACPN or permitted by law.
- Impersonate another person or organization or misrepresent an affiliation, endorsement, sponsorship, authority, or membership status.
- Post, transmit, or submit unlawful, infringing, defamatory, threatening, harassing, fraudulent, deceptive, or privacy-invasive content.
- Use AACPN's name, marks, content, or website in a manner that falsely suggests AACPN's endorsement, approval, or participation.

9. Intellectual Property

The website and its original text, graphics, logos, designs, publications, compilations, and other materials are owned by AACPN or used with permission and are protected by applicable intellectual-property laws. Third-party names, marks, images, publications, and other materials remain the property of their respective owners.

AACPN grants you a limited, revocable, nonexclusive, nontransferable license to access and use website content for lawful, noncommercial informational purposes. You may quote brief portions with appropriate attribution when permitted by law. No other right or license is granted by implication, estoppel, or otherwise.

To report material on the website that you believe infringes your copyright or other intellectual-property rights, contact AACPN using the information in Section 18 and provide sufficient information to identify the material, the right asserted, and your contact information. This provision does not represent that AACPN has registered a designated agent under the Digital Millennium Copyright Act.

10. User Submissions and Guest Content

The website may in the future permit visitors or members to submit articles, comments, testimonials, photographs, logos, biographies, affiliations, event information, or other material. Do not submit confidential information or material that you do not have the right to provide.

You retain ownership of content you submit. If AACPN accepts content for publication, you grant AACPN a nonexclusive, worldwide, royalty-free license to reproduce, edit for length and style, format, publish, display, distribute, archive, and promote that content in connection with AACPN's website, communications, and mission, unless AACPN agrees otherwise in writing. You represent that you have the rights and permissions needed for the submitted content and that its permitted use will not violate another person's rights.

Submission does not guarantee publication. AACPN may decline, edit, remove, or stop using submitted content in its discretion, subject to any separate written agreement. AACPN will obtain permission

before publicly identifying a member or publishing a member's testimonial, logo, photograph, or organizational affiliation.

11. Third-Party Links, Embeds, and Services

The website may link to or display content, tools, or services provided by third parties, including government sources, research publications, Wix, Google, Meta platforms, social-media services, event or webinar providers, advocacy tools, and payment processors. AACPN does not control and is not responsible for third-party availability, accuracy, content, security, products, services, or practices.

A link, reference, embed, or appearance of third-party content does not by itself constitute AACPN's endorsement, sponsorship, affiliation, or approval. Your use of a third-party service is governed by that provider's terms and policies.

12. Privacy

AACPN's collection, use, disclosure, and retention of personal information is described in its Privacy Policy. By using the website, you acknowledge that information may be processed as described in that policy and by the third-party services you choose to use.

13. Disclaimers

To the fullest extent permitted by law, the website and its content are provided on an "as is" and "as available" basis. AACPN disclaims warranties of merchantability, fitness for a particular purpose, title, noninfringement, accuracy, completeness, availability, and security, whether express, implied, or statutory.

AACPN does not warrant that the website will operate without interruption or error, that defects will be corrected, that content will remain available, or that the website or its servers will be free of harmful components. Nothing in these Terms of Use excludes a warranty or right that cannot lawfully be excluded.

14. Limitation of Liability

To the fullest extent permitted by law, AACPN and its officers, directors, employees, contractors, and agents will not be liable for indirect, incidental, special, consequential, exemplary, or punitive damages, or for lost profits, lost data, loss of goodwill, or business interruption, arising from or related to the website or these Terms of Use, even if advised of the possibility of such damages.

AACPN is not responsible for loss or harm caused by third-party websites, services, content, products, payment systems, security incidents outside AACPN's reasonable control, or reliance on website content. These limitations do not apply to liability that cannot lawfully be limited or excluded.

15. Responsibility for Violations

You are responsible for losses, claims, or expenses reasonably incurred by AACPN as a direct result of your unlawful use of the website, your material violation of these Terms of Use, or your infringement of another person's rights, except to the extent caused by AACPN's own conduct or prohibited by applicable law.

16. Website Availability and Changes

AACPN may modify, suspend, restrict, or discontinue any website feature or content at any time. AACPN may correct errors, update links or information, change access rules, and remove outdated, incomplete, or inappropriate material. AACPN is not obligated to preserve or continue any particular public or member-facing feature except as expressly provided in applicable membership or program terms.

17. Governing Law, Changes, and Severability

These Terms of Use and your use of the website are governed by the laws of the District of Columbia, without regard to conflict-of-law principles, except where applicable law requires otherwise.

AACPN may update these Terms of Use by posting a revised version on the website and changing the effective or revision date. Your continued use of the website after revised terms become effective constitutes acceptance to the extent permitted by law.

If a provision of these Terms of Use is held invalid or unenforceable, it will be enforced to the maximum extent permitted and the remaining provisions will remain in effect. AACPN's failure to enforce a provision is not a waiver of its right to do so later.

18. Contact Us

Questions or concerns regarding the website or these Terms of Use may be directed to:

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