

VERMONT MEDICAL SOCIETY

TO: VMS Membership
FROM: Paul Harrington & Jessa Barnard
DATE: October 2, 2017
RE: Suggested amendment to VMS by-laws eliminating term of office for the secretary-treasurer

On September 13th, the VMS Council voted to recommend to remove the term limit for the Society secretary-treasurer. Currently, the secretary-treasurer is limited to serving six consecutive 2-year terms. The treasurer position requires a dedication of time, unique skills and an in-depth understanding of the organization. VMS staff have found it a benefit to have a treasurer who has a long term relationship with the organization and familiarity with the budget.

In order for the amendment to be adopted, it will need a 2/3rd vote in support at the November 5th VMS annual meeting in Burlington.

DRAFT VMS BYLAWS AMENDMENT ELIMINATING THE TERM LIMIT FOR THE SECRETARY-TREASURER

Vermont Medical Society
Amended and Restated Bylaws
As amended November 5, 2016

Chapter III, Officers Section 3, Nominations and Elections

- D. Other Officers A vice-president shall be elected to serve for one year or until a successor is elected and installed. A secretary-treasurer shall be elected to serve for a period of two years, ~~but shall not serve longer than six~~ and may continue to serve consecutive terms until a successor is elected and installed.

The current VMS bylaws may be found at <http://www.vtmd.org/about-us/bylaws>

Please let me know if you have any questions or suggestions.