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1204.00. **PROFESSIONAL CODE OF CONDUCT**

1204.01. This Professional Code of Conduct is adopted for the purpose of encouraging the highest level of professional conduct of AST members including officers, directors and committee members within AST and in order to protect and maintain the integrity and goodwill of AST and its members with the profession and the public.

In addition to the general standards set forth herein and in the AST Code of Ethics, any violations of the following may be subject to discipline as set forth herein. This list should only be considered as examples, not a complete and exhaustive list.

All members shall adhere to the following standards:

- 1. Adhere to AST policies and procedures including the bylaws, this Code of Conduct, the AST Code of Ethics and Conflict of Interest Policy.
- 2. Not have a certification, license or registration to practice suspended or revoked by any governmental authority.
- 3. Not engage in any unprofessional or unlawful conduct as set forth in federal, state or local law or regulations.
- 4. Maintain confidentiality of association business and matters under review or investigation at all times.
- 5. Adhere to the bylaws and policies and procedures of the association at all times when conducting business in any capacity.
- 6. Provide just and equitable treatment to all members and staff of the association in terms of professional rights and responsibilities.
- 7. Not use coercive means or promise special treatment in order to influence professional decisions of fellow members.
- 8. Present professional qualifications and credentials honestly to the association, membership, and public at all times.
- 9. Honestly represent the association or the constituent division with which that person is affiliated and shall refrain from expressing personal opinions that are contradictory to the association's positions.
- 1204.02. The Board of Directors has the sole authority to determine violations of this Code of Conduct and enforce the approved Protocol for Code of Conduct violations.