Constitution of ISPOR Russia Far East Chapter

**Article 1: Name**
1. The name of this organization is the International Society of Pharmacoeconomics and Outcomes Research Russia Far East Chapter, herein referred to as ISPOR Russia Far East Chapter.

**Article 2: Mission**
The mission of the ISPOR Russia Far East Chapter is to:
1. Provide an environment where researchers, health care practitioners, and decision-makers interested in pharmacoeconomics and outcomes research can share knowledge at a country level.
2. Serve as a bridge in bringing together country researchers, health care practitioners, and decision-makers interested in pharmacoeconomics and members of the pharmaceutical industry, health-related organizations, and academia.
3. Act as a resource at a local level for individuals interested in pharmacoeconomics and outcomes research.
4. Provide an opportunity for country-specific chapter members to become more familiar with the activities of ISPOR as well as participate in its activities.

**Article 3: Affiliation**
1. This ISPOR Russia Far East Chapter maintains affiliation as a component chapter of the International Society of Pharmacoeconomics and Outcomes Research (ISPOR).

**Article 4: Membership**
1. Active membership is open to any individual (in the country or province) interested in the Society and supports the mission of the Society.
2. At least three of the officers are ISPOR members.
3. There will be an ongoing membership recruitment program to encourage membership into the Chapter as well as the Society.

**Article 5: Organization**
1. The ISPOR Russia Executive Committee should have at least the following officers: President, President-elect or Vice-President, Secretary/Treasurer. The duties and responsibilities should be as defined in Article 7.
2. The active members of ISPOR Russia Far East Chapter elect the ISPOR Russia Far East Executive Committee officers. Elections are to be held at the same time each year according to the rules and procedures outlined in Article 8.
3. The ISPOR Russia Far East Chapter Executive Committee officers hold their respective positions for a term of four years renewable once.

**Article 6: Procedures**
1. ISPOR Russia Far East Chapter is governed by this constitution.
2. ISPOR Russia Far East Chapter is a recognized organization in the country and complies with local governmental policies.
3. ISPOR Russia Far East Chapter holds general meetings during the year. Special executive meetings are held at the discretion of the executive officers.
4. Any member or officer of the ISPOR Russia Far East Chapter may initiate a constitutional amendment. Procedures for amending this Constitution are outlined in Article 9.
5. Each ISPOR Russia Far East Chapter executive officer or member exercises one vote.

**Article 7: Duties of Officers**

Each officer should be elected for a term of four years, one term renewable

**President**
The President of ISPOR Russia Far East Chapter:
1. Conducts and presides over all meetings of ISPOR Russia Far East Chapter.
2. Represents ISPOR Russia Far East Chapter when called upon to do so.
3. Appoints an individual to any office that becomes vacant subject to the ISPOR Russia Far-Eastern Executive Committee approval.
4. The office of the President is open to any member of ISPOR Russia Far East Chapter
5. Provides a report of activities and financial transaction to the ISPOR Board of Directors annually.

**Vice-President**
The Vice President of ISPOR Russia Far East Chapter:
1. Assists the office of the President.
2. Conducts and presides all the meetings of ISPOR Russia Far East Chapter in the absence of the President.
3. Assists the President with the responsibilities of ISPOR Russia Far East Chapter.
4. The office is open to any member of ISPOR Russia Far East Chapter.

**Secretary/Treasurer**
The Secretary of ISPOR Russia Far East Chapter:
1. Records the minutes of ISPOR Russia Far East Chapter meetings. An official copy of the minutes should be kept in the ISPOR Russia Far East Chapter records and a copy emailed to: RegionalChapter@ispor.org.
2. Handles ISPOR Russia Far East Chapter correspondence as necessary.
3. Is responsible for any financial transactions of ISPOR Russia Far East Chapter.
4. Keeps and maintains the ISPOR Russia Far East Chapter records.
5. Keeps and makes available to the members of ISPOR Russia Far East Chapter and the ISPOR Board of Directors a record of all monies received and spent by ISPOR Russia Far East Chapter.
6. Reports the financial status of ISPOR Russia Far East Chapter at the meetings.
7. Assists the President in the preparation of an annual budget.
8. Oversees the financial activities of ISPOR Russia Far East Chapter.
9. The office is open to any member of ISPOR Russia Far East Chapter.

**Article 8: Election Procedures**
1. The active members of ISPOR Russia Far Eastern Chapter elect the ISPOR Russia Far East Chapter executive officers.
2. The ISPOR Russia Far East Chapter Executive Committee (President, Vice-President, and Secretary/Treasurer) appoints an Election Committee.
3. The Election Committee solicits nominations.
4. Elections are held. All newly elected officials must receive a majority vote (>50% of votes received) to succeed to the position
5. The new ISPOR Russia Far East Chapter President informs the ISPOR Board of Directors of the newly elected officers. The names of the newly elected officers are emailed to: RegionalChapter@ispor.org.
6. Unless initiated by a decision of the President, or by any member of the Board regarding their elected term, a Board member holds their position until the end of the defined term. Board members should not be required to step down by any member of the Chapter. If there is a dispute that needs further resolution, a petition must be formally submitted to the ISPOR Board of Directors via regionalchapter@ispor.org.
7. If a change in leadership occurs outside the parameters outlined in this constitution, the Chapter and/or new leadership are subject to disbandment by ISPOR Board of Directors.

Article 9: Amendments
1. Any active member or officer of ISPOR Russia Far East Chapter may propose constitutional amendments.
2. A proposed amendment to this or new Constitution should become binding after receiving a two-thirds majority of the total voting membership of ISPOR Russia Far East Chapter.

Article 10: Indemnification
1. ISPOR-Russia Far East Chapter will indemnify ISPOR from liability for injury or damage, cost or expense resulting from or which arises out of or in connection with the use by ISPOR Russia Far East Chapter of the ISPOR name, logo, or arising from the relationship or affiliation between the parties.