

**6:3 Chapter Name Change**

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**Policy Group 6: Chapters**POLICY

An established NAON Chapter may request a name change from the Executive Board with valid reason and proper procedure.

PROCEDURE

1. Chapters requesting a name change must make a request in writing to the appropriate Chapter Advisory Team (CAT) representative of their region with the following:
  - a. rationale for name change
  - b. proposed new name
  - c. minutes of Chapter meeting in which majority vote of membership approved name change
2. The CAT Chairperson will review materials, present proposal, and make recommendations to the Executive Board.
3. The Executive Board will consider all name change requests on an individual basis. Denial may occur if the proposed name is very similar to another Chapter's name, already in use by another Chapter, or is inappropriate (i.e., non-professional).
4. The decision of the Executive Board is final.
5. The Chapter will be notified, in writing, of the decision of the Executive Board by the CAT Chairperson.