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# National HOSA Handbook

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The National HOSA Handbook provides vital reference for information regarding all aspects of the Health Occupations Students of America (HOSA) Organization. The text is divided into three sections. Section A, National HOSA - "The Organization," describes HOSA, the purpose, and goals, organizational structure, symbols and ceremony, membership, governing body, policies, history, and bylaws. Section B, "National Competitive Events Program," consists of rules and regulations regarding competitive events guidelines, competency based performance rating sheets, and policies and procedures for administration, preparation, and participation in the events. Section C, "Guides to Organizing and Managing a H.O.S.A. Chapter," provides a wealth of information to guide the instructor and students through organizing and operating a local HOSA chapter as an integral part of the health occupations education curriculum with suggested activities to increase participation and improve the visibility of HOSA in the community.

The National HOSA Handbook as a reference is an instructional tool that provides information necessary for local HOSA chapters' effective functioning within national guidelines. It should be utilized for organizing, planning, and conducting HOSA activities to aid in the development of members' leadership skills, sense of accomplishment, and confidence.

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