

## **AMN HEALTHCARE SERVICES, INC. CORPORATE GOVERNANCE GUIDELINES**

The following corporate governance principles, procedures, and guidelines (the “***Guidelines***”) have been approved by the Board of Directors (the “***Board***”) of AMN Healthcare Services, Inc. (the “***Company***”). The Guidelines, the Company’s by-laws, the governance practices of the Board, together with the charters and practices of the Board’s standing committees comprise the framework for the governance of the Company. The Board understands that corporate governance best practices evolve over time and reviews the Guidelines annually or more often, as necessary, to ensure they embody what the Board believes are the best governance practices for the Company.

### **I. THE ROLE OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS AND MANAGEMENT**

The Board believes that the primary responsibility of directors is to guide and oversee executive management in enhancing the long-term value of the Company for its stockholders. The Board serves as the ultimate decision-making body of the Company to the extent set forth in the Company’s Certificate of Incorporation and by-laws. The Board also selects and oversees the Company’s senior executives, who, in turn, oversee the Company’s day-to-day business and affairs.

### **II. PRIMARY FUNCTIONS OF THE BOARD**

In addition to providing general oversight of the Company’s executive management, the Board (directly and through Board committees) performs other specific functions, which include but are not limited to the following:

- Advising and participating in the development of the Company’s long-term strategies and the Company’s execution of those strategies,
- Demonstrating and promoting the Company’s values and ethics by setting the “tone at the top” of ethical leadership,
- Instilling Management accountability for creating and fostering a culture that reflects the Company’s values, ethics, purpose, vision, and social responsibility forming a foundation for the advancement of the Company’s strategy,
- Overseeing the Company’s enterprise risk management, and ethics and compliance programs,
- Advising and, when appropriate, approving major corporate actions,
- Reviewing and approving the Company’s annual operating plan and monitoring the Company’s progress against that plan,

- Selecting, evaluating, and determining appropriate compensation for the Chief Executive Officer and determining the compensation of the senior executives who report directly to her,
- Overseeing succession planning for the Company’s Chief Executive Officer and other key executives,
- Overseeing the Company’s Environmental, Social and Governance (“**ESG**”) strategy, practices, and risks at regular intervals, and
- Ensuring that the Company regularly communicates with its stockholders regarding the Company’s performance and practices.

### **III. BOARD MEETING PROCEDURES AND ANNUAL MEETING ATTENDANCE**

#### **A. Number of Board Meetings**

The Board shall hold a minimum of four meetings per year. The Chair of the Board, in consultation with members of executive management and the other directors, shall determine if additional meetings shall be held during any subject year.

#### **B. Setting of Agenda**

The Chair of the Board, in collaboration with appropriate members of executive management, will establish the agenda for each Board meeting. The Board encourages all directors to suggest the inclusion of items on the agenda.

#### **C. Distribution of Board Materials**

A Board package containing information and data that is important to the Board’s understanding of the business, the financial status and performance of the Company, industry and Company trends, goals, accomplishments, including any additional support for any agenda items will be distributed to the Board before the Board meeting sufficiently in advance to permit meaningful review by the directors.

#### **D. Executive Sessions of Non-Management Directors at Board Meetings**

Non-management directors of the Company, led by the Chair of the Board, shall meet at regularly scheduled executive sessions without management.

#### **E. Access to Independent Advisors**

The Board (and its committees) shall have the right at any time to retain independent outside financial, legal, compensation or other advisors and the Company shall pay for such advisors.

## **F. Annual Stockholder Meeting Attendance**

It is the Company's policy that directors are encouraged but not required to attend the Company's Annual Meeting of Stockholders.

## **IV. DIRECTOR TENURE, SELECTION AND ONBOARDING**

The Board understands the vital role that a diverse set of skills, experiences and backgrounds plays in fulfillment of its responsibilities and delivering long-term stockholder value. The Board believes this diversity should also be reflected through a balance of tenured and newer directors and, therefore, has committed to maintain an average board tenure of less than ten years for independent directors.

### **A. Selection of New Directors**

The Corporate Governance and Compliance Committee is responsible for selection and screening of candidates for Board membership and recommending them to the Board for election by the Company's stockholders or for appointment to fill vacancies. The Corporate Governance and Compliance Committee should utilize a broad approach for identification of director nominees and may engage a search firm or seek recommendations from its directors, officers, or stockholders.

The Corporate Governance and Compliance Committee evaluates nominees on the basis of the criteria set forth below and applies the same criteria to all candidates it considers.

#### **1. Director Nominee Qualifications**

The Board is committed to fostering and maintaining a diverse membership and seeks individuals with a reputation for integrity from a variety of professional and personal backgrounds who reflect a broad spectrum of skills, experiences, and characteristics, including individuals from different careers and various industries and historically underrepresented groups, including, but not limited to, women, racial and ethnic minorities, and members of the LGBTQ+ community. The Corporate Governance and Compliance Committee regularly conducts a process (but not less than annually) by which it evaluates the Board's overall composition. The Committee assesses potential director nominees based on how their applicable skills, backgrounds, experiences, and characteristics would enhance the Board's ability to support the Company's long-term vision. In making its assessment, the Corporate Governance and Compliance Committee considers, among other things, a candidate's judgment, business, and management experience (including financial literacy), leadership skills and characteristics, strategic planning, diversity, understanding of the healthcare industry and independence from management. When considering candidates to fill an open seat on the Board, the Corporate Governance and Compliance Committee ensures that the pool of candidates from which Board nominees are chosen includes candidates from historically underrepresented groups who would bring diversity to the Board. Any search firm or third-party consultant asked to provide an initial list of potential candidates is also required to include such candidates.

Directors shall advise the Chair of the Board and the Chair of the Corporate Governance and Compliance Committee in advance of accepting an invitation to serve on another organization's board or audit committee. Generally, a director should not serve on more than three boards or three audit committees of a company whose stock is publicly traded, nor should a director serve on more than one outside board of a publicly traded company if he or she is also a "named executive officer" of a publicly traded company. Notwithstanding the foregoing, the Board may utilize its discretion to permit additional directorships for any individual if it determines on a case-by-case basis that facts indicate he or she has sufficient capacity to fulfill his or her duties and such directorships will not impair the individual's ability to serve on the Company's Board. Each director shall be expected to fulfill the expectations described in section VI below.

## 2. Stockholder Director Nominees

The Corporate Governance and Compliance Committee will consider stockholder recommendations of qualified nominees when such recommendations are submitted in accordance with the procedures below. In order to have a nominee considered by the Corporate Governance and Compliance Committee for election at an annual meeting, a stockholder must submit the recommendation in writing to the attention of the Company's Secretary at the Company's headquarters not later than the date specified in the prior year's proxy statement in accordance with the notice required in the Company's by-laws, and include the information required by Section 2.11 of the Company's by-laws.

Once the Company receives the recommendation, it will deliver to the candidate a questionnaire that requests additional information about the candidate's independence, qualifications and other matters that would assist the Corporate Governance and Compliance Committee in evaluating the candidate, as well as certain information that must be disclosed about the candidate in the Company's proxy statement or other regulatory filings, if nominated. Candidates must complete and return the questionnaire within the timeframe provided to be considered for nomination and recommendation to the Board by the Corporate Governance and Compliance Committee.

### **B. Election of Directors and Director Resignation Policy**

In accordance with the Company's by-laws, a nominee must receive more votes cast for than against his or her election or re-election in order to be elected or re-elected to the Board, except in a case where the number of nominees exceeds the number of directors to be elected at the meeting, as of a date 10 days in advance of the Company's filing of its definitive proxy statement (regardless of whether or not thereafter revised or supplemented) with the SEC. A director shall tender his or her resignation if he or she fails to receive the required number of votes for re-election. The Board shall only nominate candidates for election or re-election who agree to tender resignations if he or she fails to receive the required vote for re-election. Any such resignation shall be effective upon Board acceptance of such resignation, as provided below. In addition, the Board shall only fill director vacancies and new directorships with candidates who agree to tender such resignations.

If an incumbent director fails to receive the required vote for re-election, the Corporate Governance and Compliance Committee will act on an expedited basis to determine whether to accept the director's resignation. The Board expects the director whose resignation is under consideration to abstain from participating in any decision regarding that resignation. Within 90 days after the date of the certification of the election results, the Corporate Governance and Compliance Committee or other committee that may be designated by the Board will make a recommendation to the Board on whether to accept or reject the resignation, or whether other action should be taken, and the Board will act on such committee's recommendation and publicly disclose its decision and the rationale behind it. The Corporate Governance and Compliance Committee and the Board may consider any factors they deem relevant in deciding whether to accept a director's resignation.

### **C. Orientation and Continuing Education of Directors**

The Board and the Company have a complete orientation process for new directors that includes background material, meetings with executive management and visits to the Company's headquarters. In addition, from time to time on a continuing basis, all members of the Board shall receive additional materials, briefings, and educational opportunities to enable them to remain current with matters within their purview.

Directors are also encouraged to attend director education programs at Company expense, provided that such expenses are pre-approved in advance by the Chief Legal Officer. Amounts reimbursed include all reasonable costs associated with attending each program, including travel, lodging and meals. Directors serving on multiple boards are encouraged to obtain pro rata reimbursement of their director education expenses from each company that they serve, but the Company will nonetheless reimburse 100% of the costs if this is not practicable.

## **V. BOARD COMPENSATION**

The Talent and Compensation Committee shall evaluate, on an annual basis, the status of its director compensation program in relation to other companies of its size and within its industry so director's interests are aligned with the long-term interests of stockholders. The Board believes that equity in the Company should be a significant portion of director compensation. Changes in Board compensation, if any, should be presented before the full Board for discussion and voted on at the recommendation of the Talent and Compensation Committee.

## **VI. EXPECTATIONS OF DIRECTORS**

### **A. Conduct of Directors**

The basic responsibility of the directors is to exercise their business judgment to act in what they reasonably believe to be in the best interests of the Company and its stockholders. Directors should adhere to the responsibilities set forth herein and in the Company's by-laws and Code of Conduct. Directors are also expected to model the Company's Core Purpose and Values. In discharging their obligations, directors should be

entitled to rely on the honesty and integrity of the Company's officers, employees, outside advisors and independent auditors.

The Board expects directors to attend Board meetings and meetings of committees on which they serve, and to spend the time needed and to meet as frequently as necessary to properly discharge their responsibilities. The Board expects the directors to review meeting materials prior to Board and committee meetings and, when possible, should communicate any questions or concerns that they wish to discuss in advance of meetings to allow management to be prepared to address these questions and concerns. Each director's attendance at, and preparation for, Board meetings and meetings of committees on which they serve, shall be considered by the Corporate Governance and Compliance Committee when recommending director nominees.

### **B. Conflicts of Interest**

Directors shall avoid any action, position or interest that conflicts with an interest of the Company or gives the appearance of a conflict. Directors are expected to be mindful of their fiduciary obligations to the Company. Any potential conflicts of interest involving directors must be reported immediately to the Chair of the Board and the Company's Chief Legal Officer. If the Chief Legal Officer determines that an actual conflict of interest may exist, the matter shall be referred to the Corporate Governance and Compliance Committee for review.

### **C. Related Party Transactions**

The Company does not permit, without the review and approval of the Board or a committee of the Board, any director, director nominee, executive officer or security holder who is known to the Company to be the beneficial owner of more than five percent of any class of the Company's voting securities or any of the foregoing person's immediate family members (i.e., child, stepchild, parent, stepparent, spouse, sibling, mother-in-law, father-in-law, son-in-law, daughter-in-law, brother-in-law, sister-in-law), or any person sharing a household (other than a tenant or employee), or any other person meeting the definition of "related person" under Item 404 of Regulation S-K (a "***related person***"), to (i) enter into a transaction in which the Company is a participant, where (a) the amount involved exceeds \$120,000; and (b) the related person had or will have a direct or indirect material interest or (ii) in the case of a member of the Audit Committee, receive any consulting, advisory or other compensatory fee, regardless of the amount, other than director's fees for services as a director of the Company, as set forth in Rule 10A-3(b)(1)(ii)(A) under the Securities Exchange Act.

### **D. Independence**

The Board shall be comprised of a majority of independent directors. The Board has adopted the categorical standards set forth in Schedule 1 to assist it in making such determinations. Any determination of independence for a director that does not meet these standards must be specifically explained.

Each “independent” director of the Board shall promptly notify the Company’s Chief Legal Officer if any actual or potential conflict of interest arises between such director and the Company that may impair such director’s independence. The Chief Legal Officer will then refer the matter to the Corporate Governance and Compliance Committee, if applicable under section VI.B. above. If an actual conflict of interest exists and cannot be resolved, such director should submit an offer of resignation from the Board.

#### **E. Assessing the Board and Committee Performance**

The Corporate Governance and Compliance Committee shall establish an assessment process for Board members that address the directors’ attendance, preparedness, participation, execution of its responsibilities and candor. The Board and Committees shall perform an annual assessment of the Board and each Committee’s performance utilizing these criteria and other appropriate measures in order to provide the Board with a report of such assessment for discussion. In addition to the annual Board and committee self-evaluations, the Chair of the Corporate Governance and Compliance Committee will conduct interviews with individual directors every other year to foster further reflection and accountability.

### **VII. COMMITTEE COMPOSITION AND RESPONSIBILITIES**

#### **A. Board Committees**

The Board will have at all times an Audit Committee, Talent and Compensation Committee and a Corporate Governance and Compliance Committee, each of which shall consist solely of independent directors, and may, from time to time, establish or maintain additional committees as necessary or appropriate. Upon recommendation of the Corporate Governance and Compliance Committee, the Board will appoint committee members.

#### **B. Rotation of Committee Assignments and Chairs**

Committee assignments and the designation of committee chairs should be based on the director’s knowledge, interests, and areas of expertise. Committee and chair assignments are reviewed on an annual basis. The Board believes experience and continuity are more important than rotation.

#### **C. Committee Charters**

The Audit, Talent and Compensation and Corporate Governance and Compliance Committees shall each have their own charter. The charters will set forth the purposes, goals, and responsibilities of the committees as well as qualifications for committee membership, procedures for committee member appointment and removal, committee structure and operations and committee reporting to the Board. Each committee charter will also provide that the committee will annually evaluate its own performance.

#### **D. Frequency and Length of Committee Meetings**

The chair of each committee, in consultation with the committee members, will determine the frequency and length of the committee meetings consistent with any requirements set forth in the committee's charter.

### **VIII. BOARD RELATIONSHIP TO EXECUTIVE MANAGEMENT**

#### **A. Regular Attendance of Non-Directors at Board Meetings**

Generally, the Board welcomes the regular attendance, at each Board meeting, of non-Board members who are in the most senior positions of the Company, which generally shall consist of the Chief Executive Officer and those that directly report to the Chief Executive Officer. At times, it will be appropriate for the Board to discuss matters in the absence of non-Board members. Upon proper motion and concurrence of the Board, non-members will be excluded from a meeting or any portion thereof.

#### **B. Board Access to Executive Management**

Board members have access to Company management. Board members should use judgment to be sure that this contact is not a distraction to the business operation of the Company, and that such contact should be coordinated through the Company's executive officers. The Board also encourages the attendance of managers in meetings when such attendance would provide additional insight into the items being discussed because of managers' personal involvement in these areas or because the executive officers believe the managers attending possess potential and should be given exposure to the Board.

#### **C. Review of Enterprise Risk Management, Compliance and Ethics Programs**

Annually, the Company employee with operational responsibility for the Company's ethics and compliance programs will provide the full Board with a presentation regarding the programs. In addition, the Corporate Governance and Compliance Committee shall receive periodic reports regarding the Company's ethics and compliance programs, as well as the Company's ESG strategies, practices, and risks. The Audit Committee shall oversee the Company's enterprise risk management process and receive annual presentations on the Company's risk management program. The Audit Committee will also oversee and receive periodic reports at regular intervals on the Company's technology related risks including cybersecurity risks and threats, including management's strategy to address.

### **IX. LEADERSHIP DEVELOPMENT**

#### **A. Succession Planning and Leadership Development**

The Corporate Governance and Compliance Committee shall ensure an annual report to the Board on the CEO and leadership succession planning process. The Chief Executive Officer should also provide an annual report to the Board on the Company's program for leadership development.



## **B. Chief Executive Officer Evaluation**

The Talent and Compensation Committee sets the Chief Executive Officer's compensation level based on the achievement of corporate goals and objectives, performance relative to industry peers and evaluation of leadership competencies.

## **X. BOARD COMMUNICATIONS**

### **A. Communications with the Board**

The Company's Secretary will receive all communications from stockholders or any other individual wishing to communicate with the Board at the Company, 2999 Olympus Blvd., Suite 500, Dallas, Texas, 75019. The Secretary will promptly forward to the Chair of the Board any communications that the Secretary believes require immediate attention, and also periodically provide the Chair of the Board and the Company's Chief Executive Officer (if appropriate) with a summary of all such communications and any responsive actions taken. The Chair of the Board will notify the chairs of the relevant board committees as to those matters that the Chair believes are appropriate for further action or discussion.

### **B. Interaction with Third Parties**

The Board believes that management should speak for the Company and that the Chair should speak for the Board. In order to ensure compliance with applicable securities laws and to avoid the potential detriment to the interests of the Company and its stockholders and other constituencies that could result from inconsistent communications, the members of the Board will not respond to media inquiries or make statements to the media regarding the Company and its business without consultation with, and approval by, the Chair of the Board or the full Board.

### **C. Confidentiality**

The Board believes maintaining confidentiality of information and deliberations are imperative. Information learned during the course of service on the Board is to be held confidential and used solely in furtherance of the Company's business.

## **XI. OTHER BOARD POLICIES**

### **A. Stockholder Rights Plan Policy**

The Company does not currently have a stockholder rights plan, or "poison pill." Furthermore, no stockholder rights plan shall be adopted unless such action is approved by a majority of the "independent" directors (as determined in accordance with the independence standards set forth in these Guidelines) and such directors find that such action is consistent with the exercise of their fiduciary responsibilities to the Company and its stockholders. If the Board adopts a stockholder rights plan that did not receive stockholder approval by a majority of the votes cast prior to its implementation, such stockholder rights plan shall expire on the one-year anniversary of its implementation

unless it is ratified by the Company's stockholders by a majority of votes cast prior to that date.

## **B. Stockholder Engagement Policy for Corporate Governance Matters**

The Company maintains an active dialogue with stockholders. In order to allow stockholders to provide timely and meaningful feedback to the Company on stockholder issues, members of executive management or, in certain limited instances, directors, may meet with Company stockholders, stockholder organizations, and proxy advisory firms regarding corporate governance policies and practices, executive compensation matters and the Company's ESG strategy (collectively, "**Corporate Governance Matters**"). These discussions are primarily intended for the Board and management to obtain feedback from the Company's stockholders on Corporate Governance Matters. The Corporate Governance and Compliance Committee will be responsible for implementing and overseeing the Company's stockholder engagement program.

### **1. Communications Directly from the Board**

The Board believes regular communications regarding Corporate Governance Matters between stockholders, on the one hand, and the Board and/or executive management, on the other hand, serve to create an open, candid, and productive dialogue that benefits the Company and its stockholders. The Board will communicate through the annual proxy statement filed with the SEC about the Board's composition, Corporate Governance Matters and the Board's views on proposals, if any, submitted for stockholder consideration. Stockholders will receive other communications about the Company in the form of the Company's filings with the SEC, earnings releases, and earnings calls, press releases, Company presentations at investor conferences, the Company's ESG report and on the Company's website.

### **2. Corporate Governance Outreach**

On behalf of the Board, the Company's Chief Executive Officer, Secretary, and other executive management, as appropriate, will conduct regular outreach efforts to engage stockholders and other interested parties in a dialogue about Corporate Governance Matters. The Secretary will provide regular reports in an unfiltered manner to the Corporate Governance and Compliance Committee regarding the key themes and results of the Company's stockholder outreach efforts.

### **3. Additional Procedures for Handling Communications to the Board on Corporate Governance Matters**

The Secretary will be the Board's agent to receive and review written communications addressed to the Board. The Secretary may also communicate with the sender for necessary clarification. If the Chair of the Board or the Corporate Governance and Compliance Committee elects to meet with a shareholder to discuss communications received on Corporate Governance Matters, all such events should be attended by appropriate members of executive management. Board members, if it is decided they

should attend, should be supported by executive management and other Company employees when communicating with investors.

**C. Equity Ownership Guidelines**

The Company has established the following equity ownership guidelines for its executive management and directors:

<b>Level</b>	<b>Ownership Requirement</b>
Chief Executive Officer	5x Base Salary
Named Executive Officers	2x Base Salary
Other CEO Committee Members	1.5x Base Salary
Board of Directors	5x Annual Cash Retainer

Members of executive management and directors who have not met the ownership guidelines shall be required to retain 50% of net vested shares from equity awards issued subsequent to the initial assessment of ownership until they have reached the ownership guidelines.

**D. Policy on Pledging and Hedging of Equity Securities of the Company**

Members of executive management and directors are prohibited from pledging, hypothecating, or otherwise placing a lien on any shares of common stock or any other equity interests of the Company that they own. The Talent and Compensation Committee shall be responsible for adoption of specific policies with regard to administration of these guidelines.

**E. Compensation Recoupment Policy**

The Talent and Compensation Committee shall be responsible for administration of the Company's Compensation Recoupment Policy as set forth in terms of the policy.

## **Schedule 1**

### **AMN HEALTHCARE SERVICES, INC.**

#### **DIRECTOR INDEPENDENCE STANDARDS**

The Board of Directors of AMN Healthcare Services, Inc. (Company) has adopted the following Director Independence Standards to assist the Board in determining the independence of a director. The Board must affirmatively determine that a director has no material relationship with the Company in order to be deemed independent. In making this determination, the Board shall take into account all relevant facts and circumstances.

Subject to the transitional rules established by the New York Stock Exchange, a director will not be considered independent if:

- (1) The Director does not qualify as independent under Rule 303A.02(b) of the New York Stock Exchange Listed Company Manual.
- (2) The director or an immediate family member is a partner of or of counsel to a law firm that performs substantial legal services to the Company on a regular basis;  
or
- (3) The director or an immediate family member is a partner, officer or employee of an investment bank or consulting firm that performs substantial services to the Company on a regular basis for which they receive compensation.

For purposes of these Director Independence Standards an “immediate family member” includes a person’s spouse, parents, children, siblings, mothers and fathers-in-law, sons and daughters-in-law, brothers and sisters-in-law, and anyone (other than domestic employees) who shares such person’s home.