

The Canadian Society of Chinese Medicine and Acupuncture

The Canadian Society of Chinese Medicine & Acupuncture (CSCMA) was established in June of 1994. CSCMA is Canada's largest and most prestigious professional organization of Traditional Chinese Medicine (TCM), acupuncture practitioners, and TCM pharmacists. CSCMA is a national federally incorporated non-profit, non-political and non-religious association. The head office is in Toronto.

As of December 2019, CSCMA has 2900 members. 75% of members have at least a post-secondary education. Many of them are medical specialists with PhDs or have senior academic teaching posts. CSCMA members come from across Canada with 80% of members from the metro Toronto area.

A standing executive committee leads CSCMA. The President is responsible for day-to-day administration. The members elect the President and standing executive committee democratically for a term of 4 years. The founding president was Mr. Tian Rong Zhu. The current president is Mr. Qiang Tang.

CSCMA strives to achieve the following objectives:

- To unite all TCM and acupuncture practitioners to work together to popularize and to spread TCM knowledge, promote the recognition and acceptance of TCM, and to provide prevention, treatment, restoration and health care services.
- To provide continuing education and training opportunities for CSCMA members, and to support academic research and clinical services.
- To standardize TCM practices and provide effective oversight of CSCMA members in order to strengthen public perception of the CSCMA.

CSCMA is also committed to:

- Developing and supporting academic programs and research relating to Traditional Chinese Medicine (TCM)
- Facilitating international academic exchanges, technical cooperation and other connection with international academic organization and scholars
- Promoting the establishment of appropriate policies, regulation, and legislation governing TCM in Canada by ensuring that the College of Traditional Chinese Medicine Practitioners and Acupuncturists of Ontario has access to information and input from TCM experts in an open consultative process
- Ensuring that the benefits of CSCMA membership accrue to all
- Creating a cooperative, friendly and convivial atmosphere for members
- Managing CSCMA democratically
- Promoting a spirit of dedication, creativity and rigorous scientific principle
- Working towards the overall prosperity and development of TCM and acupuncture.

The oath of CSCMA: Be of one heart and one mind, carry forward TCM, good faith and devotion, heal the wounded and rescue the diseased.