

Law No. (10) of 2012
Establishing
Al Jalila Medical Education and Research Support Foundation¹

We, Mohammed bin Rashid Al Maktoum, Ruler of Dubai,

After perusal of:

Law No. (9) of 2011 Concerning Dubai Healthcare City; and

With a view to promoting the healthcare service standards and achieving the highest possible level of wellness for all individuals at local, regional, and international levels through supporting academic education and scientific research in various medical fields,

Do hereby issue this Law.

Title of the Law

Article (1)

This Law will be cited as “Law No. (10) of 2012 Establishing Al Jalila Medical Education and Research Support Foundation”.

Definitions

Article (2)

The following words and expressions, wherever mentioned in this Law, will have the meaning indicated opposite each of them unless the context implies otherwise:

UAE: The United Arab Emirates.

Emirate: The Emirate of Dubai.

Ruler: His Highness the Ruler of Dubai.

Government: The Government of Dubai.

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¹Every effort has been made to produce an accurate and complete English version of this legislation. However, for the purpose of its interpretation and application, reference must be made to the original Arabic text. In case of conflict, the Arabic text will prevail.

DHCC:	Dubai Healthcare City.
Foundation:	Al Jalila Medical Education and Research Support Foundation.
Board of Trustees:	The board of trustees of the Foundation.
Board of Directors:	The board of directors of the Foundation.
CEO:	The chief executive officer of the Foundation.
Fund:	The donations fund established at the Foundation in accordance with the provisions of this Law.

Establishment of the Foundation Article (3)

Pursuant to this Law, a non-government non-profit foundation named “Al Jalila Medical Education and Research Support Foundation” is established. The Foundation will have legal personality, financial and administrative autonomy, and the legal capacity required to undertake all acts and dispositions that ensure the achievement of its objectives.

Head Office of the Foundation Article (4)

The head office of the Foundation will be located in DHCC. Other branches and offices of the Foundation may be established within and outside of the UAE.

Objectives of the Foundation Article (5)

The Foundation will have the following objectives:

1. to position the UAE as a pioneer in the area of medical sciences by offering scholarships and funding medical research;
2. to establish and promote a culture of excellence in the medical academic and medical scientific research fields with a view to promoting healthcare service standards within and outside of the UAE;
3. to motivate researchers from amongst UAE nationals and non-UAE nationals and foster their creativity in medical specialisations with a view to achieving high scientific standards;

4. to support and direct researchers to conduct the most highly beneficial medical research to meet the needs of the community; and
5. to contribute to scientific advancement in medical fields with a view to achieving sustainable development of local, regional, and international communities.

Functions of the Foundation
Article (6)

For the purpose of achieving its objectives, the Foundation may:

1. provide financial support for medical scientific research projects of academic and research institutions within and outside of the UAE;
2. to offer scholarships in medical specialisations for UAE nationals and non-UAE nationals;
3. motivate researchers and specialised research institutions to conduct distinguished medical research, through granting recognition awards and rewards;
4. contribute to funding scientific research programmes and projects which focus on applied sciences, knowledge, and technology; aim to solve problems facing research institutions; and promote creativity and marketing of scientific research outputs;
5. provide medical treatment to the needy of all nationalities within and outside of the UAE;
6. support publication of specialised medical journals within and outside of the UAE;
7. sponsor academic conferences organised within and outside of the UAE by academic and scientific research institutions specialised in medical specialties;
8. organise medical conferences and symposia on various specialties;
9. cooperate with academic institutions; international, regional, and Arab organisations; local, Government and civil organisations; and other entities to support medical scientific research and technological development;
10. contribute to the formation of companies, or undertake investments or joint ventures within and outside of the UAE; and
11. perform any other activities or acts required for the achievement of the objectives of the Foundation.

Board of Trustees

Article (7)

- a. The Foundation will have a Board of Trustees comprised of a chairman, vice chairman, and a number of members known for their integrity and competence, appointed pursuant to a decree of the Ruler.
- b. The Board of Trustees will convene at the invitation of the chairman, or the vice chairman if the chairman is absent, at least once per year and where necessary. Meetings of the Board of Trustees will be valid if attended by the majority of its members provided that the chairman or vice chairman is in attendance.
- c. The Board of Trustees will pass its resolutions by majority vote of attending members, and in the event of a tie, the chair of the meeting will have a casting vote. Resolutions of the Board of Trustees will be recorded in minutes signed by the chair of the meeting and attending members.

Functions of the Board of Trustees

Article (8)

The Board of Trustees will undertake general supervision of the affairs of the Foundation, and may in particular:

1. approve the general policy and strategic plans of the Foundation;
2. appoint auditors and specialist consultants and determine their remuneration;
3. approve the draft annual budget and final accounts of the Foundation; and
4. perform any other duties related to the objectives and functions of the Foundation.

Board of Directors

Article (9)

- a. The Foundation will have a Board of Directors comprised of a chairman, vice chairman, and a number of members known for their expertise and competence appointed pursuant to a resolution of the Chairman of DHCC Authority for a renewable period of three (3) years.
- b. The Board of Directors will convene on regular basis at the invitation of its chairman or vice chairman. Meetings of the Board of Directors will be valid if attended by the majority of its members provided that the chairman or vice chairman is in attendance.
- c. The Board of Directors will pass its resolutions by majority vote of attending members, and in the event of a tie, the chair of the meeting will have a casting vote. Resolutions of the

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Functions of the Board of Directors

Article (10)

- a. The Board of Directors will follow up the implementation of the general policy and strategic goals and plans of the Foundation. For this purpose, the Board of Directors may:
 1. set operational plans and programmes related to the policy of the Foundation approved by the Board of Trustees;
 2. approve the standards required to determine persons, institutions, programmes, and plans to be supported and funded by the Foundation;
 3. determine the priorities and policies for funding scholarships to persons and institutions, and implement the Foundation's programmes and projects in accordance with the funds allocated in the annual budget of the Foundation;
 4. approve the plans required to secure funding of scholarships, projects, and programmes by the Foundation;
 5. approve the internal regulations and bylaws of the Foundation;
 6. approve the draft annual budget and final accounts of the Foundation, and submit these to the Board of Trustees for approval;
 7. determine the basis for cooperation and coordination with the entities concerned with medical scientific research at the local, regional, and international levels;
 8. supervise the work of the Fund;
 9. appoint the CEO of the Foundation and determine his salary and other financial benefits;
 10. form permanent and temporary committees and determine their duties and powers;
 11. approve the conclusion of agreements and memoranda of understanding with academic institutions, institutes, organisations, and entities specialised in research areas related to the objectives of the Foundation; and
 12. perform any other duties related to the objectives and functions of the Foundation assigned to it by the Board of Trustees.

- b. The Board of Directors may delegate to any of its members or to the CEO any of the powers mentioned in paragraph (a) of this Article.

Executive Body

Article (11)

- a. The executive body of the Foundation will be comprised of a CEO and a number of administrative, financial, and technical employees.
- b. The CEO will be directly responsible to the Board of Directors for performing the duties assigned to him pursuant to this Law and the regulations and bylaws in force in the Foundation, and for performing the duties assigned to him by the Board of Directors.
- c. Employees of the executive body of the Foundation will be appointed, and the terms of their appointment and dismissal, their rights and duties, and other relevant issues will be determined pursuant to the regulations and bylaws approved by the Board of Directors in this respect.

Functions of the CEO

Article (12)

The CEO will have the duties and powers to:

- 1. propose the policies and strategic, development, and operational plans of the Foundation, and take the necessary action to implement these once they are approved;
- 2. draft the administrative, financial, and technical regulations and bylaws required to regulate the work and services of the Foundation, and submit these to the Board of Directors for approval;
- 3. prepare the annual budget and final accounts of the Foundation, and submit these to the Board of Directors for approval;
- 4. supervise the executive body of the Foundation and its daily operations, activities, and services;
- 5. supervise the implementation of plans and programmes supported by the Foundation;
- 6. represent the Foundation before third parties and sign in its name and on its behalf any contracts, agreements, and memoranda of understanding;
- 7. open and manage bank accounts within and outside of the Emirate subject to approval of the Board of Directors; and
- 8. perform any other duties assigned to him by the Board of Directors.

Financial Resources of the Foundation

Article (13)

The financial resources of the Foundation will consist of:

1. proceeds of movable and immovable property owned by the Foundation and property endowed or allocated to the Foundation;
2. gifts and donations; and
3. any other financial resources approved by the Board of Directors.

Donations Fund

Article (14)

- a. For the purposes of achieving the objectives of the Foundation stipulated in this Law, a fund named the "Donations Fund" will be established at the Foundation. The Fund will aim to raise donations from public and private entities and individuals within and outside of the Emirate to finance the Foundation's projects aimed at supporting medical education and research.
- b. The Board of Directors will form a committee named the "Fund Management Committee" to undertake supervision of the Fund. Members of the Fund Management Committee will be active in the field of work of the Foundation and will be appointed for a renewable period of three (3) years.
- c. The resolution forming the Fund Management Committee will determine the frequency of meetings, mode of operation, and procedure for passing the resolutions of the Fund Management Committee, and will include other provisions related to regulating its work.
- d. The Fund Management Committee will have the duties and powers to:
 1. set the Fund's policy and submit it to the Board of Directors for approval, and develop the programmes required for implementation of such policy;
 2. determine methods of investing and developing the property of the Fund;
 3. follow up the administrative and financial affairs of the Fund;
 4. organise the accounts of the Fund in accordance with regulations and bylaws issued by the Board of Directors in this respect;
 5. prepare the annual budget and closing financial statements of the Fund, and submit these to the Board of Directors for approval; and

6. perform any other duties assigned to it by the Board of Directors.

Budget and Accounts of the Foundation

Article (15)

- a. In regulating its accounts and records, the Foundation will apply the rules and principles of commercial accounting in accordance with the internationally recognised standards. Accounts and records of the Foundation will be audited by an audit firm appointed by the Board of Trustees.
- b. The financial year of the Foundation will commence on 1 January and will end on 31 December of each year, except that the first financial year will commence on the date this Law comes into force and will end on 31 December of the following year.

Issuing Implementing Regulations and Bylaws

Article (16)

The Board of Directors will issue the regulations and bylaws required for implementation of the provisions of this Law.

Repeals

Article (17)

Any provision in any other legislation will be repealed to the extent that it contradicts the provisions of this Law.

Publication and Commencement

Article (18)

This Law will be published in the Official Gazette and will come into force on the day on which it is published.

Mohammed bin Rashid Al Maktoum

Ruler of Dubai

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