

Retained directives from past AMA-YPS meetings

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<p>AMNews Column Regarding YPS and Young Physician Activities--Asks the AMA-YPS Governing Council to collect and submit newsworthy items concerning young physicians for publication in <i>AMNews</i>. (I-87; reaffirmed I-97)</p>	<p>This is an ongoing initiative. The AMA-YPS facilitates interviews between <i>AMNews</i> staff and young physicians.</p>
<p>Financial Counseling and Assistance for Young Physicians--Makes the following recommendations: (4) continued exploration of services and products that AMA could initiate for the benefit of young physicians; and (5) working with RPS to ensure information is available to them in the time between residency and practice establishment. (GC Report, I-87; Recommendations #1-3 were rescinded at I-97, #4-5 were reaffirmed at I-97)</p>	<p>This is an ongoing initiative.</p> <p>The AMA-YPS convened a seminar on financial counseling at A-05. The AMA-YPS governing council, in concert with the AMA-RFS governing council, continue to explore and propose products and services.</p> <p>The AMA-YPS promotes existing AMA publications and activities related to financial counseling to its membership via eVoice.</p>
<p>AMA-YPS Governing Council Activities--Asks that the AMA-YPS issue and widely disseminate on at least a quarterly basis an Activities Report via listserv, fax and/or print to Assembly members, other young physician members, and Federation staff, in addition to its twice-yearly informational report to the Assembly. This report will highlight various activities of the AMA-YPS in the following areas: representation/advocacy, enhanced membership value and communications, and leadership development. (GC Report, I-99)</p>	<p>The Governing Council issues biannual activities reports and will continue to do so. Information is incorporated into eVoice (for young physicians) and disseminated via the AMA-YPS Web site: http://www.ama-assn.org/go/yps.</p>
<p>AMA-YPS Yearly Finance Report--Asks the YPS Governing Council to annually prepare a financial statement of the YPS annual budget accounting for all expenses greater than \$250 and to provide this breakdown of expenses to those YPS members who request it. (I-04)</p>	<p>The Governing Council issues yearly reports and will continue to do so.</p>

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<p>AMA-YPS Advocacy Initiatives--Work to increase the involvement of young physicians in national AMA-sponsored Congressional visits, advocacy events, such as fly-ins, and legislative efforts. (A-05)</p>	<p>Opportunities for young physician involvement in advocacy issues continue to be promoted via eVoice, the AMA-YPS Newsletter, special e-mails to AMA-YPS Assembly, new AMA-YPS Action Network (see below), and the AMA-YPS Web site.</p> <p>Resolution 601 (A-05) referred to Board of Trustees for decision. AMA-YPS has provided "talking points." Board then requested input from AMPAC and Washington, DC office. The Governing Council issued an update report at I-06, and will continue to produce reports as appropriate and work toward meeting the intent of Resolution 601.</p>
<p>AMA-YPS Advocacy Initiatives--Revitalize the AMA-YPS Advocacy Network based on the previous design including a chair and regional directors. (A-05)</p>	<p>Ongoing.</p> <p>Subscribe at yps@ama-assn.org. The listserv continues to be promoted on an ongoing promotion via eVoice. The Governing Council is investigating ways to make the listserv more effective.</p>
<p>AMA-YPS Advocacy Initiatives--Continue to look for new initiatives to enhance advocacy efforts within the Section and the American Medical Association. (A-05)</p>	<p>Ongoing. AMA advocacy activities are promoted via eVoice, and the AMA-YPS Newsletter.</p>
<p>AMA-YPS Advocacy Initiatives--Governing Council to report at each annual meeting a report regarding the Section's advocacy agenda. (A-05)</p>	<p>Ongoing.</p>
<p>AMA-YPS Advocacy Initiatives--Give young physicians opportunity to participate via conference call during the Governing Council's late summer meeting. (A-05)</p>	<p>Ongoing; accomplished in 2005, 2006 and 2007.</p>
<p>AMA-YPS Advocacy Initiatives--Continue to investigate ways to communicate electronically with AMA-YPS members that are less expensive or time-consuming than an online interactive "town hall meeting." (A-05)</p>	<p>The AMA-YPS surveyed the AMA-YPS Assembly in 2006 regarding ways to facilitate electronic communication.</p>
<p>AMA-YPS Advocacy Initiatives--Beta-test an online interactive Town Hall meeting prior to I-05, and the AMA-YPS Governing Council report back to the AMA-YPS Assembly at I-05 regarding its potential future broader implementation. (A-05)</p>	<p>An online Member Connect Roundtable was convened October 2005; the AMA-YPS continues to explore utilization of this technique in 2007 and beyond.</p> <p>AMA-YPS continues to promote regular Member Connect Roundtables.</p>

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<p>AMA-YPS Key Directions--AMA-YPS Communications 1) Actively engage AMA physician and staff leadership to ensure that the young physician perspective is appropriately represented in AMA communications. (I-05)</p>	<p>This is an ongoing directive and the Governing Council will continue to report developments.</p>
<p>AMA-YPS Key Directions--AMA-YPS Membership 1) The AMA-YPS GC will work closely with the AMA membership and marketing staff to feature more young physicians in AMA communications and membership recruiting/retention activities. By changing the overall appearance, function, and leadership of the AMA, the AMA-YPS will help to create an AMA that is more appealing for young physician members. (I-05)</p>	<p>Several young physicians have been featured in AMA ads and posters, including Monica Wehby, MD, and Robert Monger, MD. Several young physicians and AMA-YPS alumni were also featured in AMA radio ads: Richard Pan, MD, talks about steroid use by teens; Cyndi Yag-Howard, MD, emphasizes the importance of sun protection; Diana Ramos, MD, discusses routine screenings and exams; and John H. Armstrong, MD, discusses stress reduction.</p>
<p>AMA-YPS Key Directions--AMA-YPS Leadership Development The AMA-YPS will actively and prominently identify and support young physician participation in all levels of AMA leadership. This support will include nominating and endorsing candidates for appointment and election to AMA leadership positions. (I-05)</p>	<p>Solicitation notices are published in eVoice and/or on AMA-YPS Web site. In 2007, the YPS Governing Council e-mailed special "call for nominations" to selected Assembly members and AMA-YPS alumni regarding a number of opportunities for young international medical graduates, and to others notifying them of upcoming nomination deadlines for residency review committee vacancies.</p> <p>In 2006, one AMA-YPS endorsed candidate was elected to the Council on Legislation, one AMA-YPS endorsed candidate was elected to the AMA Women Physicians Congress as an at-large member and another was elected to the designated YPS seat, and one young physician was successfully nominated as an AMA representative on tthe RRC for Urology. A young physician also was appointed to serve on the AMA's Advisory Committee on Group Practice Physicians.</p> <p>In 2007, the Governing Council voted to endorsed the candidacy of a Board of Trustees member running for re-election, voted to endorse the nomination of a young physician for the AMA International Medical Graduates Section, and will nominate several physicians for RRC positions that will have vacancies in 2008.</p>

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<p>Definition of young physician trustee – Asks for further study of the discrepancy between: 1) AMA Bylaw 3.23, which defines the Young Physician Trustee as “an active physician member of the AMA under forty years of age, who is not a resident/fellow physician;” and 2) AMA Bylaw 7.51, which defines a young physician (for purposes of AMA-YPS membership) as under forty years of age or within the first eight years of practice after residency/fellowship. (A-07)</p>	<p>After much discussion, the AMA-YPS Ad Hoc Committee on Bylaws was unable to reach consensus on what, if anything, should be changed with respect to the young physician trustee definitions in the AMA bylaws. The committee concluded in Report L (A-07) that the issue deserved further review and study, and that future discussions should include points of view from those who serve or have previously served as the young physician trustee as well as those who aspire to serve in that capacity.</p>
<p>Improvements to the Maintenance of Certification (MOC) process – Upon considering Resolution 1 (A-07), which asked the AMA to endorse and promote a series of specific goals related to the MOC process, the AMA-YPS Assembly voted to refer the issue to the GC for report back at A-08. (I-07)</p>	<p>The Assembly recommended that the GC report should include, but not be limited to, the following goals: 1) reduction and containment of recertification-related costs; 2) increasing flexibility in the type and timing of testing allowed under the MOC process; and 3) counting time spent on MOC as AMA PRA Category 1 Credit™.</p>