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Memo to: Delegates and Alternate Delegates  
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Subject: Implementation of Resolutions and Report Recommendations (I-12)  
and Follow-Up Implementation Chart (A-12)

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In accordance with the directive of the House of Delegates in June 2003, enclosed for your information is a chart outlining the actions taken to date by the Board of Trustees, Councils, Committees, and staff on those resolutions and report recommendations adopted, referred or referred for decision by the House of Delegates at the 2012 Interim Meeting.

House action now requires that status be reported over a one-year period. In response to that action, also attached is the "Follow-Up Implementation of Resolutions and Report Recommendations for A-12." Please note that any new information reported on this chart is in **bold type**.

Attachments

## Follow-Up on Implementation of Resolutions and Report Recommendations AMA House of Delegates Annual Meeting - June 16-20, 2012

Report/Resolution	Title	House Action	Status
BOT Report 01-A-12	Auditor's Report	Filed.	
BOT Report 02-A-12	Annual Update on Activities and Progress in Tobacco Control: March 2011 through February 2012	Recommendations in BOT Report 2 Not Adopted, Remainder of Report filed.	No Action Required.  <b>Board of Trustees Report 18 on this subject appears in the Delegates Handbook for the 2013 Annual Meeting. (Informational)</b>
BOT Report 04-A-12	New Specialty Organization Representation in the House of Delegates	Recommendations in BOT Report 4 Adopted, Remainder of Report Filed.	Society of Cardiovascular Angiography and Interventions added to societies in the House of Delegates.  AMA Policy Database Updated.
BOT Report 05-A-12	AMA Activities as a Partner of the Million Hearts Initiative	Recommendations in BOT Report 5 Adopted, Remainder of Report Filed.	AMA Policy Database Updated.
BOT Report 07-A-12	AMA 2013 Dues	Recommendations in BOT Report 7 Adopted, Remainder of Report Filed.	No further action required.
BOT Report 09-A-12	Electronic Health Record "Lemon Law" (Resolution 823-I-11)	Recommendations in BOT Report 9 Adopted, Remainder of Report Filed.	AMA has joined with AmericanEHR Partners along with 16 other professional associations including ACP, ACS and AAFP. AmericanEHR Partners is dedicated to the creation of an online community of clinicians who use information technology to deliver care to Americans. Through education, social media and the collection of peer contributed data its goal is to organize information to facilitate optimal decision making. AmericanEHR has, for several years, conducted a vendor rating system, which provides ratings generated from verified physicians and also contains a comparison tool. The vendor rating tool is free, as is registration on the AmericanEHR website. Through our participation, AMA members will contribute to the vendor rating system and AMA will have access to de-identified summaries of member ratings as well as comparisons with member ratings from other participating professional associations. A link to AmericanEHR Partners is available on the AMA website.

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BOT Report 11-A-12	Designation of Specialty Societies for Representation in the House of Delegates	Recommendations in BOT Report 11 Adopted, Remainder of Report Filed.	Board of Trustees Report 1 on this subject appears in the Delegates Handbook for the 2012 Interim Meeting. (Reference Committee on Amendments to Constitution and Bylaws) <b>HOD Action: Recommendations in BOT Report 1 Adopted as Amended, Remainder of Report Filed.</b>
BOT Report 12-A-12	Third Party Payer Quantity Limits	Recommendations in BOT Report 12 Adopted as Amended in Lieu of Resolution 113 with Change in Title, Remainder of Report Filed.	Letters sent to Blue Cross Blue Shield Association (BCBSA) and America's Health Insurance Plans (AHIP) asking them to inform their member insurance companies of AMA policy that if they use quantity limits for prescriptions, then an easily used system for exceptions should be available. Notified all state medical associations and national medical specialty societies of our willingness to work with them on this issue.
BOT Report 13-A-12	Need to Include Assessment of Economic Impact in Practice Guidelines (Resolution 121-A-11)	Recommendations in BOT Report 13 Adopted, Remainder of Report Filed.	The AMA continues to monitor the peer-reviewed health care and clinical practice evaluation literature and other publications on evaluating the economic impact of implementing guidelines into clinical practice.
BOT Report 14-A-12	Beers or Similar Criteria and Third Party Payer Compliances Activities	Recommendations in BOT Report 14 Adopted as Amended, Remainder of Report Filed.	AMA Policy Database Updated.
BOT Report 15-A-12	Removing Financial Barriers to Living Organ Donation (Resolution 6-I-11)	Recommendations in BOT Report 15 Adopted, Remainder of Report Filed.	AMA Policy Database Updated.
BOT Report 16-A-12	Enhancing the Function of the Liaison Committee on Medical Education	Recommendations in BOT Report 16 Adopted, Remainder of Report Filed.	The Association of American Medical Colleges and Liaison Committee on Medical Education were notified of the House action. The House action also was transmitted to each medical school, residency program director, directors of medical education at U.S. teaching hospitals and other interested groups via the MedEd Update.
BOT Report 17-A-12	Hospital Electronic Medical Records and Computerized Physician Order Entry problem (Resolution 711-A-11)	Recommendations in BOT Report 17 Adopted as Amended in Lieu of Resolution 721, Remainder of Report Filed.	AMA Policy Database Updated.
BOT Report 18-A-12	Physician Protection from Risk with Accountable Care Organizations (ACOs) (Resolution 123-A-11)	Recommendations in BOT Report 18 Adopted.	AMA Policy Database Updated.

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BOT Report 19-A-12	Council on Legislation Sunset Review of 2002 House Policies	Recommendations in BOT Report 19 Adopted.	AMA Policy Database Updated.
BOT Report 20-A-12	Enhancing Antibiotic Stewardship to Improve Patient Outcomes in the Inpatient Setting	Recommendations in BOT Report 20 Adopted as Amended, Remainder of Report Filed.	AMA Policy Database Updated.
BOT Report 21-A-12	Combating Obesity with Physical Education Requirements	Policies H-170.999, H-470.996, H-470.990, H-470.989, and D-440.971 Reaffirmed and H-470.975 Adopted as Amended.	AMA Policy Database Updated.
BOT Report 26-A-12	Specialty Society Representation in the House of Delegates - Five-Year Review	Recommendations in BOT Report 26 Adopted as Amended, Remainder of Report Filed.	Societies represented in the House of Delegates updated to reflect removal of American Pediatric Surgical Association and the Korean American Medical Association.
BOT Report 27-A-12	Equal Access to Organ Transplantation for Medicaid Beneficiaries	Referred.	A Board of Trustees Report on this subject will be prepared for consideration by the House of Delegates at the 2013 Annual Meeting.  <b>Board of Trustees Report 15 on this subject appears in the Delegates Handbook for the 2013 Annual Meeting. (Reference Committee on Amendments to Constitution and Bylaws)</b>
CCB Report 01-A-12	AMA Minority Affairs Section -- Additional Bylaws	Recommendations in CCB Report 1 Adopted, Remainder of Report Filed.	AMA Bylaws Updated.
CCB Report 02-A-12	AMA Bylaws 6.50 and the Council on Ethical and Judicial Affairs' Responsibilities for Appeals in Allegations of Discrimination	Referred.	A Council on Constitution and Bylaws Report on this subject will be prepared for consideration by the House of Delegates at the 2013 Annual Meeting.  <b>Council on Constitution and Bylaws Report 1 on this subject appears in the Delegates Handbook for the 2013 Annual Meeting. (Reference Committee on Amendments to Constitution and Bylaws)</b>
CCB Report 04-A-12	Establishment of an AMA Integrated Physician Practice Section	Recommendations in CCB Report 4 Adopted, Remainder of Report Filed.	AMA Bylaws Updated.

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CCB/CLRPD Report 01-	Modifications to Existing AMA Policies to Better Guide AMA Policy Development, Consolidation, Sunset and Implementation	Recommendations in CCB/CLRPD Report 1 Adopted as Amended, Remainder of Report Filed.	AMA Policy Database Updated.
CCB/CLRPD Report 02-	Reconciliation Process for AMA Policies	Recommendations in CCB/CLRPD Report 2 Adopted, Remainder of Report Filed.	A Board of Trustees Report on this subject will be prepared for consideration by the House of Delegates at the 2013 Annual Meeting.  <b>A Speakers Report on this subject appears in the Delegates handbook for the 2013 Annual Meeting. (Informational)</b>
CCB/CLRPD Report 03-	Joint Council Review of all House Governance Policies	Recommendations in CCB/CLRPD Report 3 Adopted as Amended, with Policies D-600.975, G-630.140, G-630.130 and G-630.141 Referred, Remainder of Report Filed.	AMA Policy Database Updated.
CCB/CLRPD Report 04-	Joint Council Sunset Reivew of 2002 House Policies	Recommendations in CCB/CLRPD Report 4 Adopted, Remainder of Report Filed.	AMA Policy Database Updated.
CCB/CME Report 01-A-	Separate Election for a Private Practitioner Who is Not a Salaried Faculty Member of a Medical School to the Council on Medical Education (AMA Bylaw 6.811)	Recommendations in Joint Report CCB/CME Report 1 Adopted, Remainder of Report Filed.	AMA Policy Database Updated.
CEJA Report 01-A-12	Physician Stewardship of Health Care Resources	Recommendations in CEJA Report 1 Adopted, Remainder of Report Filed.	AMA Policy Database Updated.
CEJA Report 03-A-12	CEJA's Sunset Review of 2002 House Policies	Recommendations in CEJA Report 3 Adopted, Remainder of Report Filed.	AMA Policy Database Updated.
CEJA Report 05-A-12	Physician Responsibilities for Safe Patient Discharge from Health Care Facilities	Recommendations in CEJA Report 5 Adopted, Remainder of Report Filed.	AMA Policy Database Updated.

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CEJA Report 06-A-12	Amendment to E-9.011, Continuing Medical Education	Referred.	Council on Ethical and Judicial Affairs Report 1 on this subject appears in the Delegates Handbook for the 2012 Interim Meeting. (Reference Committee on Amendments to Constitution and Bylaws) <b>HOD Action: Recommendations in CEJA Report 1 Adopted as Amended, Remainder of Report Filed.</b>
CME Report 02-A-12	Council on Medical Education Sunset Review of 2002 House Policies	Recommendations in CME Report 2 Adopted as Amended, Remainder of Report Filed.	AMA Policy Database Updated.
CME Report 03-A-12	Update on Interprofessional Education	Referred.	Council on Medical Education Report 1 on this subject appears in the Delegates Handbook for the 2012 Interim Meeting. (Reference Committee K) <b>HOD Action: Recommendations in CME Report 1 Adopted as Amended, Remainder of Report Filed.</b>
CME Report 05-A-12	Advance Tuition Payment Requirements for International Students Enrolled in US Medical Schools (Resolution 312-A-10)	Recommendations in CME Report 5 Adopted, Remainder of Report Filed.	The Association of American Medical Colleges was notified of the House action. The House action also was transmitted to each medical school, residency program director, directors of medical education at U.S. teaching hospitals and other interested groups via the MedEd Update.
CME Report 06-A-12	Interstate License Portability (Resolution 313-A-10)	Recommendations in CME Report 6 Adopted as Amended, Remainder of Report Filed.	AMA Policy Database Updated.
CME Report 08-A-12	Evaluation of Income-Contingent Medical Education Loans (Resolution 306-A-11)	Recommendations in CME Report 8 Adopted, Remainder of Report Filed.	AMA Policy Database Updated.
CME Report 09-A-12	Medical School International Service-Learning Opportunities and Global Health Education (Resolution 307-A-11)	Recommendations in CME Report 9 Adopted, Remainder of Report Filed.	The Association of American Medical Colleges and American Association of Colleges of Osteopathic Medicine were notified of the House action. The House action also was transmitted to each medical school, residency program director, directors of medical education at U.S. teaching hospitals and other interested groups via the MedEd Update.

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CME Report 10-A-12	An Update on Maintenance of Certification, Osteopathic Continuous Certification, and Maintenance of Licensure (Resolutions 316, 326, 331-A-11 and 911-I-11)	Recommendations in CME Report 10 Adopted as Amended, Remainder of Report Filed.	A Council on Medical Education Report on this subject will be prepared for consideration by the House of Delegates at the 2013 Annual Meeting.  <b>Council on Medical Education Report 4 on this subject appears in the Delegates Handbook for the 2013 Annual Meeting. (Reference Committee C)</b>
CME Report 11-A-12	Impact of Maintenance of Certification, Osteopathic Continuous Certification, Maintenance of Licensure on the Physician Workforce	Recommendations in CME Report 11 Adopted, Remainder of Report Filed.	The Federation of State Medical Boards and American Board of Medical Specialties were notified of the House action. The House action also was transmitted to each medical school, residency program director, directors of medical education at U.S. teaching hospitals and other interested groups via the MedEd Update.
CME Report 12-A-12	Transparency in the National Resident Matching Program Match Agreement	Recommendations in CME Report 12 Adopted as Amended, Remainder of Report Filed.	The National Resident Matching Program, Accreditation Council for Graduate Medical Education and Educational Commission on Foreign Medical Graduates were notified of the House action. The House action also was transmitted to each medical school, residency program director, directors of medical education at U.S. teaching hospitals and other interested groups via the MedEd Update.
CMS Report 01-A-12	Medicaid Financing Reform	Recommendations in CMS Report 1 Adopted as Amended, Remainder of Report Filed.	AMA Policy Database Updated.
CMS Report 03-A-12	Medicaid Patient-Centered Medical Home Models	Recommendations in CMS Report 3 Adopted as Amended, Remainder of Report Filed.	AMA Policy Database Updated.
CMS Report 04-A-12	CMS Sunset Review of 2002 House Policies	Recommendations in CMS Report 4 Adopted as Amended, Remainder of Report Filed.	AMA Policy Database Updated.
CMS Report 05-A-12	Basic Health program	Recommendations in CMS Report 5 Adopted, Remainder of Report Filed.	AMA Policy Database Updated.

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CMS Report 06-A-12	Small Businesses and Health Reform	Recommendations in CMS Report 6 Adopted, Remainder of Report Filed.	Notified all state medical associations and national medical specialty societies of our willingness to work with, and encourage, them to advocate for adequate attachment points for stop-loss coverage of self-insured plans and to call on their states to monitor small business self-insurance as it relates to Small Business Health Options Program (SHOP) exchanges.
CSAPH Report 01-A-12	CSAPH's Sunset Reivew of 2002 House Policies	Recommendations in CSAPH Report 1 Adopted, Remainder of Report Filed.	AMA Policy Database Updated.
CSAPH Report 02-A-12	Labeling of Bioengineered Foods (Resolutions 5080 and 509-A-11)	Recommendations in CSAPH Report 2 Adopted as Amended, Remainder of Report Filed.	AMA Policy Database Updated.
CSAPH Report 03-A-12	Safety of Bottled Water (Resolution 420-A-11)	Recommendations in CSAPH Report 3 Adopted. Remainder of Report Filed.	AMA Policy Database Updated.
CSAPH Report 04-A-12	Light Pollution: Adverse Health Effects of Nighttime Lighting	Recommendations in CSAPH Report 4 Adopted as Amended, Remainder of Report Filed.	AMA Policy Database Updated.
CSAPH Report 05-A-12	Taxes on Beverages with Added Sweeteners (Resolution 417-A-11)	Recommendations in CSAPH Report 5 Adopted in Lieu of Resolution 407-A-12, Remainder of Report Filed.	A letter was sent to the USDA advocating for continued research into the potentially adverse effects of long-term consumption of non-caloric sweeteners in beverages, particularly in children and adolescents.
CSAPH Report 06-A-12	Screening Mammography (Resolution 509-A-10)	Recommendations in CSAPH Report 6 Adopted as Amended, Remainder of Report Filed.	AMA Policy Database Updated.
CSAPH Report 07-A-12	Drug Shortages Update	Recommendations in CSAPH Report 7 Adopted as Amended in Lieu of Resolutions 509, 510, 524 and 525, Remainder of Report Filed.	Council on Science and Public Health Report 2 on this subject appears in the Delegates Handbook for the 2012 Interim Meeting. (Reference Committee K)  <b>HOD Action: Recommendations in CSAPH Report 2 Adopted as Amended, Remainder of Report Filed.</b>



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RES 001-A-12	HPV Vaccination for Minors	Referred.	A Council on Ethical and Judicial Affairs Report on this subject will be prepared for consideration by the House of Delegates at the 2013 Annual Meeting. <b>Council on Ethical and Judicial Affairs Report 3 on this subject appears in the Delegates Handbook for the 2013 Annual Meeting. (Reference Committee on Amendments to Constitution and Bylaws)</b>
RES 002-A-12	Using Tax Returns to Identify Organ Donation Status	Not Adopted.	
RES 003-A-12	Supporting Voluntary Organ Donation from Death Row Prisoners	Not Adopted.	
RES 004-A-12	Educating Medical Providers as First-Line Responders to Stop Human Trafficking	Referred.	A Board of Trustees Report on this subject will be prepared for consideration by the House of Delegates at the 2013 Annual Meeting. <b>Board of Trustees Report 20 on this subject appears in the Delegates Handbook for the 2013 Annual Meeting. (Reference Committee on Amendments to Constitution and Bylaws)</b>
RES 005-A-12	Shared Stewardship of Health Care Costs	Policies H-450.938, H-373.997 and H-155.966 Reaffirmed in Lieu of Resolution 5.	AMA Policy Database Updated.
RES 006-A-12	HPV Vaccine and Cervical Cancer Prevention Worldwide	Adopted.	AMA Policy Database Updated.
RES 007-A-12	Surrogate Consent for Living Organ Donation	Adopted as Amended.	AMA Policy Database Updated.
RES 008-A-12	The Recognition and Protection of Human Trafficking Victims	Referred.	A Board of Trustees Report on this subject will be prepared for consideration by the House of Delegates at the 2013 Annual Meeting. <b>Board of Trustees Report 20 on this subject appears in the Delegates Handbook for the 2013 Annual Meeting. (Reference Committee on Amendments to Constitution and Bylaws)</b>
RES 009-A-12	Female Genital Mutilation (FGM) – Redefining AMA Policy H-525.980	Substitute Resoluton 9 Adopted as Amended.	AMA Policy Database Updated.

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RES 101-A-12	Transportation and Accessibility to Free Medical Clinics	Policy H-130.954 Reaffirmed in Lieu of Resolution 101.	AMA Policy Database Updated.
RES 102-A-12	Improving Mental Health Services for Pregnant and Postpartum Mothers	Adopted as Amended.	AMA Policy Database Updated.
RES 103-A-12	On-Site Employer Sponsored Medical Clinics	Adopted as Amended with Change in Title.	A Council on Medical Service Report on this subject will be prepared for consideration by the House of Delegates at the 2013 Annual Meeting. <b>Council on Medical Service Report 1 on this subject will appear in the Delegates Handbook for the 2013 Annual Meeting. (Reference Committee G)</b>
RES 104-A-12	Value-Based Insurance Design	Adopted as Amended.	A Council on Medical Service Report on this subject will be prepared for consideration by the House of Delegates at the 2013 Annual Meeting. <b>Council on Medical Service Report 2 on this subject appears in the Delegates Handbook for the 2013 Annual Meeting. (Reference Committee G)</b>
RES 105-A-12	Strategies to Improve Care for Underinsured Patients	Policies D-165.957 and H-160.940 Reaffirmed in Lieu of Resolution 105.	AMA Policy Database Updated.
RES 106-A-12	Studying Socioeconomic Status as a Determinant of Health	Policy H-350.974 Reaffirmed in Lieu of Resolution 106.	AMA Policy Database Updated.
RES 107-A-12	Reducing Barriers to Preventive Health Care Delivery and Compensation	Policies H-425.987, H-185.954 and H-165.840 Reaffirmed in Lieu of Resolution 107.	AMA Policy Database Updated.
RES 108-A-12	Out-of-Network Benefits and Standardization of Plan Terminology	Policies H-165.838, H-285.973 and H-320.968 Reaffirmed in Lieu of Resolution 108.	AMA Policy Database Updated.
RES 109-A-12	Diagnosis and Treatment of Autism Spectrum Disorders	Policies D-90.995, H-165.846 and H-165.856 Reaffirmed in Lieu of Resolution 109.	AMA Policy Database Updated.

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RES 110-A-12	A National Toolbox on Access To and Distribution of Physician Services	Adopted.	The AMA has actively engaged the Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS) Office of Medicare-Medicaid Coordination which was established by the ACA to more effectively integrate Medicare and Medicaid benefits and to improve the coordination between the federal and state governments for the individuals enrolled in both the Medicare and Medicaid programs. A letter was sent to CMS communicating AMA's concerns regarding potential access to care for dual eligible patients.
RES 111-A-12	Transparency in Health Care Costs	Referred for Decision.	<p>The Board considered a report in response to Resolution 111-A-12. The intent of the resolution is to encourage a shift toward a more transparent health care system so that costs are readily known and health care decisions can be made accordingly. Current AMA policy and advocacy efforts address the key requests in this resolution and support continued action by the AMA. It was noted that AMA advocacy consists of drafting and sharing relevant model bills to state medical associations for their use, publicizing AMA resources such as the Health Insurer Code of Conduct Principles and Getting the Most for our Health Care Dollars: Strategies to Address Rising Health Care Costs, and communicating with the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS) regarding the transparency of cost and quality.</p> <p>The Board VOTED that Resolution 111-A-12 not be adopted, and that the American Medical Association continue advocating for transparency in health care costs based on AMA policy positions.</p>
RES 112-A-12	Healthcare Spending Control and Ambulatory Surgery Centers	Substitute Resolution 112 - Resolved #1 Referred for Decision, Resolved #2 & 3 Referred.	<p>The Board considered a report in response to the first Resolve of Substitute Resolution 112-A-12 which asked the AMA to seek legislation “that requires third party payers to allow their plans’ participating physicians to perform outpatient procedures at the appropriate site of service (hospital outpatient department, ambulatory surgical center, office-based facility, or physician’s office), chosen by the physician and the patient. Because the intent of the first resolved clause (plus its relationship to the issues of physician participation and copayments) will be addressed in the Council on Medical Services’ report to the HOD at A-13, which will address the second and third Resolved clauses of Substitute Resolution 112, there is no reason to take action at this time on an issue that will be presented to the HOD as part of a much larger set of issues next year.</p> <p>The Board VOTED to not adopt the first Resolved clause of Substitute Resolution 112.</p> <p>A Council on Medical Service Report on this subject will be prepared for consideration by the House of Delegates at the 2013 Annual Meeting.</p> <p><b>Council on Medical Service Report 3 on this subject appears in the Delegates Handbook for the 2013 Annual Meeting. (Reference Committee A)</b></p>

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RES 113-A-12	Testing and Treatment Supplies	Recommendations in BOT Report 12 Adopted as Amended in Lieu of Resolution 113 with Change in Title, Remainder of Report Filed.	See BOT Report 12-A-12.
RES 114-A-12	Reimbursement for Cost of Sign Language Interpreters	Adopted as Amended.	At the federal level, the AMA continues to seek support within Congress and the Administration for legislation and/or regulations to require health insurers to fully reimburse physicians for the cost of providing sign language interpreters for hearing impaired patients. The AMA also notified the Federation about this new AMA policy and offered AMA assistance to help advance it at the state level.
RES 115-A-12	Obesity Should be Considered a Chronic Medical Disease State	Referred.	A Council on Science and Public Health report on this subject will be prepared for consideration by the House of Delegates at the 2013 Annual Meeting. <b>Council on Science and Public Health Report 3 on this subject appears in the Delegates Handbook for the 2013 Annual Meeting. (Reference Committee D)</b>
RES 116-A-12	Maintaining Mental Health Services by States	Adopted.	AMA Policy Database Updated. .
RES 117-A-12	Patient Cost-Sharing Requirements for Hospital Inpatient and Observation Services	Substitute Resolution 117 Adopted with Change in Title.	The AMA has communicated to the Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS) both alone and as part of a coalition of beneficiaries and other provider groups on the significant financial inequities in their current policy. CMS claims that any solution to the problem must be budget neutral and has therefore not addressed the issue. The AMA is pressing the agency to form a stakeholder advisory group to improve the policies surrounding observation care patients. The AMA also sent letters to Blue Cross Blue Shield Association (BCBSA) and America's Health Insurance Plans (AHIP) asking them to inform their member insurance companies of AMA Policy that patients be subject to the same cost sharing policies for inpatient and observation services.
RES 118-A-12	Payment Rate Parity In Ambulatory Care Settings	Referred.	A Council on Medical Service Report on this subject will be prepared for consideration by the House of Delegates at the 2013 Annual Meeting. <b>Council on Medical Service Report 3 on this subject appears in the Delegates Handbook for the 2013 Annual Meeting. (Reference Committee A)</b>
RES 119-A-12	Value-Based Payment Modifier	Policies H-390.849, H-400.984 and D-400.985 Reaffirmed in Lieu of Resolution 119.	AMA Policy Database Updated.

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RES 120-A-12	Political Proposals for Reducing the Cost of Healthcare	Policy H-165.888 Reaffirmed in Lieu of Resolution 120.	AMA Policy Database Updated.
RES 121-A-12	Patient Access to Therapeutics	Adopted.	The AMA has established an ongoing workgroup which interacts with senior Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS) staff on a whole host of Part D issues. The topics raised in this resolution have been under consideration by the workgroup and incorporated into the discussions with CMS.
RES 122-A-12	Medicare Price Adjustment Methodology	Policies H-390.849, D-390.963, H-400.984, H-400.988 and D-400.985 Reaffirmed in Lieu of Resolution 122.	AMA Policy Database Updated.
RES 123-A-12	Medicare-Medicaid Dual Eligible Demonstration Program	Adopted.	The AMA sent an extensive letter to the Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS) administrator requesting that CMS delay implementation of the Medicare-Medicaid dual eligible demonstration program to allow beneficiaries and providers time to understand the initiative along with several other recommendations. Further, an issue brief was shared with the Federation on dual eligibles which includes key issues states should consider in reviewing proposed demonstration projects.
RES 124-A-12	Use of the Term Payment Instead of Reimbursement When Appropriate	Current Policy Reaffirmed.	AMA Policy Database Updated.
RES 125-A-12	Oncofertility and Fertility Preservation Treatment	Policies H-165.856 and D-330.918 Reaffirmed in Lieu of Resolution 125.	AMA Policy Database Updated.
RES 126-A-12	Medicare Financing Options	Substitute Resolution 126 Adopted with Change in Title.	Council on Medical Service Report 5 on this subject appears in the Delegates Handbook for the 2012 Interim Meeting. (Reference Committee J) <b>HOD Action: Recommendations in CMS Report 5 Adopted as Amended, Remainder of Report Filed.</b>
RES 201-A-12	Support for Drug Courts	Adopted as Amended.	All state medical associations and national medical specialty societies have been notified of AMA's willingness to work with, and encourage, them to advocate for the establishment of drug courts.

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RES 202-A-12	Support for Medical Amnesty Policies for Underage Alcohol Intoxication	Adopted as Amended.	AMA Policy Database Updated.
RES 203-A-12	PPACA Education Directive	Adopted.	The go/aca page was posted on the AMA website, and posted home page hero to promote the page. There was a special feature in AMA Wire July 18 to educate physicians, promoting the go/aca page. HSR Insight was used to tell physicians how the AMA is helping shape implementation of the ACA in the states. Federation News noted all of the above in special communications with Federation staff and communicators. The ACA fliers have been distributed through the Board office, Federation Relations and Membership.
RES 205-A-12	Reform the US Farm Bill to Improve US Public Health and Food Sustainability	Policy D-150.978 Reaffirmed in Lieu of Resolution 205.	AMA Policy Database Updated.
RES 206-A-12	US Farm Subsidies	Current Policy Reaffirmed.	AMA Policy Database Updated.
RES 207-A-12	Clear and Convincing Evidence	Referred.	A Board of Trustees Report on this subject will be prepared for consideration by the House of Delegates at the 2013 Annual Meeting. <b>Board of Trustees Report 4 on this subject appears in the Delegates handbook for the 2013 Annual Meeting. (Reference Committee B)</b>
RES 208-A-12	Reinstatement of Consultation Codes	Current Policy Reaffirmed.	AMA Policy Database Updated.
RES 209-A-12	Support of the Legal Right of Civil Marriage Between Any Two Consenting Adults	Policy H-65.973 Reaffirmed in Lieu of Resolution 209.	AMA Policy Database Updated.
RES 210-A-12	Stimulate Antibiotic Research and Development	Adopted as Amended.	The “Food and Drug Innovation & Safety Act”, S. 3187 was signed into law on July 9, 2012. This legislation included significant portions of the AMA-supported “Generating Antibiotic Incentives Now Act” (GAIN), sponsored by Representatives Phil Gingrey, MD (R-GA) and Gene Green (D-TX), and Senators Richard Blumenthal (D-CT) and Bob Corker (R-TN). The provisions in this law will provide meaningful and necessary regulatory modifications to address this issue.

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RES 211-A-12	Allow Purchase of Over-the-Counter Drugs Using Health Savings Account Funds Without a Prescription	Current Policy Reaffirmed.	AMA Policy Database Updated.
RES 212-A-12	Medicare Records Retention and Overpayment Recoupment	Adopted.	The AMA continues to aggressively advocate for recoupment and overpayment policies which are fair to physicians including a comment letter sent to CMS signed by the AMA and 100 state and specialty medical societies in which we pushed for limiting recoupment policies for overpayments to the current six year requirement rather than ten years, as proposed by HHS.
RES 213-A-12	Revise the Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act	Resolution 239 Adopted as Amended in Lieu of Resolutions 213 and 243.	See RES 239-A-12.
RES 214-A-12	Repeal of CMS' 2012 MPPR Rule	Adopted.	The AMA sent letters to Sen. Ben Cardin (D-MD) and Rep. Pete Olsen (R-TX) in support of their legislation eliminating the scheduled Multiple Procedure Payment Reduction (MPPR) cuts. AMA support for this legislation has also been communicated to the appropriate committees of jurisdiction.
RES 215-A-12	Protecting Physicians with Multiple Tax ID Numbers	Adopted.	AMA Policy Database Updated.
RES 216-A-12	Time Limits for Recovery Audit Contractor Reviews	Adopted.	The AMA has aggressively advocated against the Recovery Audit Contractor (RAC) program and consequently, we have secured safeguards to limit the burden on physician practices, including securing a shortened timeframe that a RAC can go back and recover monies from four years to three years. The AMA has urged the Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS) to limit RAC reviews to a one year look back period.
RES 217-A-12	Expression of Concerns Regarding Implementation of COOP Program	Adopted as Amended.	Notified all state medical associations and national medical specialty societies of our willingness to work with, and encourage, them to advocate that the Consumer Operated and Oriented Plan (COOP) advisory board and HHS ensure that new insurance issuers, including those with physician involvement, benefit from start-up loans.

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RES 218-A-12	Pharmacist Prescribing	Resolution 218 Adopted as Amended in Lieu of Resolution 240.	AMA Policy Database Updated.
RES 219-A-12	Physician Mandate to Check Patients Controlled Substance Usage	Adopted as Amended.	AMA Policy Database Updated.
RES 220-A-12	Extension of Stark Law Exception and Anti-Kickback Statute Safe Harbor for Donation of EHR Products and Services	Adopted.	AMA has repeatedly urged the Department of Health and Human Services (HHS) to extend the Stark exception and anti-kickback safe harbor that allows physicians to accept donations of EHR products and services. AMA has done numerous letters and testimony in 2012 which have addressed this topic.
RES 221-A-12	Prescription Drug Monitoring Program Confidentiality	Adopted as Amended with Change in Title.	All state medical associations and national medical specialty societies have been notified of AMA's willingness to work with, and encourage them, in advocating for the recommendations regarding PDMPs contained in this resolution.
RES 222-A-12	Work-Related Abuses of IMG Physicians Working Under the Conrad-30 Program	Referred.	A Board of Trustees Report on this subject will be prepared for consideration by the House of Delegates for the 2013 Annual Meeting.  <b>Board of Trustees Report 27 on this subject appears in the Delegates Handbook for the 2013 Annual Meeting. (Reference Committee B)</b>
RES 223-A-12	Prescription Drug Diversion, Misuse and Addiction	Adopted as Amended.	The Association of American Medical Colleges, American Association of Colleges of Osteopathic Medicine, American Osteopathic Association and Accreditation Council for Graduate Medical Education were notified of the House action. The House action also was transmitted to each medical school, residency program director, directors of medical education at U.S. teaching hospitals and other interested groups via the MedEd Update.
RES 224-A-12	Repeal IPAB and Replace It With a Body With Adequate Physician Representation	Current Policy Reaffirmed.	AMA Policy Database Updated.
RES 225-A-12	Separate Palliative Deaths from the Mortality Statistics	Referred.	A Board of Trustees Report on this subject will be prepared for consideration by the House of Delegates at the Annual 2013 Meeting.  <b>Board of Trustees Report 12 on this subject appears in the Delegates Handbook for the 2013 Annual Meeting. (Reference Committee B)</b>



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RES 226-A-12	Three-Day Payment Window Rule	Adopted as Amended.	The AMA originally requested a year long delay in the implementation of the modified three-day payment window policy, and the Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS) responded by delaying the policy for six months. Prior to the implementation of the policy, which was required by Congress, on July 1, 2012, the AMA and the Medical Group Management Association sent a joint letter laying out a case for further delay. Several lengthy conversations were held with CMS staff in charge of implementing the policy. In the end, however, CMS chose not to extend the deadline.
RES 227-A-12	Federal Medical Assistance Percentage for Medicaid for Guam	Current Policy Reaffirmed.	AMA Policy Database Updated.
RES 228-A-12	Clinical Decision Support and Malpractice Risk	Adopted as Amended.	All state medical associations and national medical specialty societies have been notified of AMA's willingness to work with, and encourage, them to advocate in interested states for a "safe harbor" for physicians who use a consensus-based drug-drug interaction list in their clinical decision support software package.
RES 229-A-12	Physicians' Ability to Negotiate	Adopted.	The AMA wrote a letter of support for H.R. 1409, Representative Conyers legislation the "Quality Health Care Coalition Act of 2011," which would allow health care professionals to jointly negotiate with health plans regarding terms that affect patient care, thus restoring physicians' ability to advocate for quality care for their patients and strengthening the patient-physician relationship. Additionally the AMA wrote Chairman Bob Goodlatte (R-VA), of the House Committee on the Judiciary's Subcommittee on Intellectual Property, Competition and the Internet, where H.R. 1409 had been referred urging the Subcommittee to act on the legislation. Finally, the AMA developed two comprehensive "How to" manuals entitled "ACOs, CO-OPs and other Options: A 'How to' manual for physicians navigating a post-health reform world," and "Evaluating and Negotiating Emerging Payment Options" that provide guidance concerning key governance issues and how to identify, and negotiate, successfully integrated business models.
RES 230-A-12	Reducing Economic Damages as a Driver of Medical Liability Cases	Not Adopted.	
RES 231-A-12	Establishment of Limited Population Antibacterial Drug Approval Pathway	Adopted as Amended.	On July 9, 2012, the President signed into law the Food and Drug Administration Safety and Innovation Act, Public Law No: 112-144, which contains AMA supported provisions that will enhance the incentives available to manufacturers to support the development of next generation antibiotics. In addition, the new law contains provisions in line with the establishment of a limited population antibacterial drug approval pathway.

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RES 232-A-12	TRICARE Health Insurance Acceptance by Physicians	Current Policy Reaffirmed.	AMA Policy Database Updated.
RES 233-A-12	Physician Payments Sunshine Act	Substitute Resolution 233 Adopted in Lieu of Resolutions 233 and 238 with Change in Title.	Prior to passage of the Sunshine Act as part of the ACA, AMA met with staff of Senators Kohl (D-WI) and Grassley (R-IA), the sponsors of the legislation to secure many improvements prior to passage. CMS issued a proposed rule in December 2011 that raised many concerns. AMA prepared a letter that 49 medical specialty societies and 43 state medical associations joined expressing concerns to CMS. Final regulations have not been issued. AMA staff have met with the sponsors of the bill and contacted CMS urging them to revisit their work on the rule, including narrowly defining precise payment categories; ensuring reports are accurate and have a mechanism by which the agency can update errors on a quarterly basis (as opposed to once a year); considering requiring manufacturers to share reports with physicians before the reports are submitted to CMS; etc. Dr. Lazarus also participated in a forum convened by the bill sponsors to discuss Sunshine Act implementation, and carried forward AMA recommendations on this act.
RES 234-A-12	Oppose Legislation to Exempt Cigars from FDA Oversight	Adopted as Amended.	Through our coalition work, the AMA has sent letters to the bill sponsors of S. 1461 and H.R. 1639, in opposition to their legislation which seeks to exempt certain cigars from FDA regulation. In addition the AMA cosigned a letter to the Chairman and Ranking Member of the House Committee on Appropriations thanking them for not adopting any amendments cutting funding for the FDA's Center for Tobacco Control or weakening FDA regulation of tobacco. The AMA cosigned a similar letter to the entire U.S. House on June 27 urging members to reject any amendments weakening FDA's authority to regulate tobacco and opposing H.R.1639 for this reason.
RES 235-A-12	Opposition of FDA's Rx to OTC Paradigm Shift	Adopted.	The AMA submitted comments during the public comment period expressing concerns about the proposed pathway for expanding the types of drugs that could be considered nonprescription. AMA staff also attended an FDA-sponsored stakeholder session in October on the topic. The initiative has been renamed the "Non-prescription Safe-Use Regulatory Expansion." AMA staff will continue to closely monitor development in this area.
RES 236-A-12	Evaluation of ICD-11 as a New Diagnostic Coding System	Adopted as Amended.	ICD-11 is currently in the beta stage of development and is due to be brought to the World Health Assembly in May 2015 for consideration. Still being determined when it will be available in the US. <b>Board of Trustees Report 25 on this subject appears in the Delegates Handbook for the 2013 Annual Meeting. (Informational)</b>

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RES 237-A-12	Penalties for Non-Adoption of HIT Technology	Policies H-478.991, H-478.993 and H-478.994 Reaffirmed in Lieu of Resolution 237.	AMA Policy Database Updated.
RES 238-A-12	Physician Payments Sunshine Act	Substitute Resolution 233 Adopted in Lieu of Resolutions 233 and 238 with Change in Title.	See RES 233-A-12.
RES 239-A-12	Contingency to Advocate for Medical Care of the American People	Adopted as Amended in Lieu of Resolutions 213 and 243.	AMA Policy Database Updated.
RES 240-A-12	Pharmacists Prescribing	Resolution 218 Adopted as Amended in Lieu of Resolution 240.	See RES 218-A-12.
RES 241-A-12	Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act Nondiscrimination Language	Adopted as Amended.	Board of Trustees Report 8 on this subject appears in the Delegates Handbook for the 2012 Interim Meeting. (Informational)  <b>HOD Action: Recommendations in BOT Report 8 Adopted, Remainder of Report Filed.</b>
RES 242-A-12	Practice Drift	Adopted as Amended.	A Board of Trustees Report on this subject will be prepared for consideration by the House of Delegates at the 2013 Annual Meeting. <b>Board of Trustees Report 5 on this subject appears in the Delegates Handbook for the 2013 Annual Meeting. (Reference Committee B)</b>
RES 243-A-12	Repeal Public Law 111-148, The Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act	Resolution 239 Adopted as Amended in Lieu of Resolutions 213 and 243.	See RES 239-A-12.
RES 244-A-12	Electronic Prescriptions for Controlled Substances	Adopted.	The AMA has worked aggressively to make the Medicare ePrescribing and Electronic Health Record (EHR) Meaningful Use (MU) programs more flexible for physicians including providing latitude for physicians with respect to how ePrescribing for controlled substances is handled.
RES 301-A-12	Increased Emphasis on Education in Mental Health and Psychosocial Support in Medical School	Adopted as Amended.	AMA Policy Database Updated.

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RES 302-A-12	Securing Quality Education Sites for US-Accredited Schools	Substitute Resolution 302 Adopted as Amended.	AMA Policy Database Updated.
RES 303-A-12	Investigating Adverse Health Outcomes Relating to Chronic Graduate Medical Education Funding Shortages	Policy D-305.967 Reaffirmed in Lieu of Resolution 303.	AMA Policy Database Updated.
RES 304-A-12	Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, and Transgender Patient-Specific Training for Healthcare Providers	Current Policy Reaffirmed.	AMA Policy Database Updated.
RES 305-A-12	Medical Student Summer Research Compensation	Adopted.	AMA Policy Database Updated.
RES 306-A-12	Preliminary Year Program Placement	Adopted.	AMA Policy Database Updated.
RES 307-A-12	Increasing Organ Donation Discussions Through Medical Education	Not Adopted.	
RES 308-A-12	Health Policy Education in Medical School and Residency	Current Policy Reaffirmed.	AMA Policy Database Updated.
RES 309-A-12	Preserving the Opportunity to Moonlight	Adopted as Amended.	The American Osteopathic Association and Accreditation Council for Graduate Medical Education were notified of the House action. The House action also was transmitted to each medical school, residency program director, directors of medical education at U.S. teaching hospitals and other interested groups via the MedEd Update.
RES 310-A-12	American Board of Medical Specialties Board Member Enrollment in Maintenance of Certification	Adopted as Amended.	The American Board of Medical Specialties was notified of the House action. The House action also was transmitted to each medical school, residency program director, directors of medical education at U.S. teaching hospitals and other interested groups via the MedEd Update.

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RES 311-A-12	Early Career Physician Representation on American Board of Medical Specialties Boards	Adopted.	The American Board of Medical Specialties was notified of the House action. The House action also was transmitted to each medical school, residency program director, directors of medical education at U.S. teaching hospitals and other interested groups via the MedEd Update.
RES 312-A-12	The Deficiency in Medical Education Relating to Autopsy	Policy H-85.933 Reaffirmed in Lieu of Resolution 312.	AMA Policy Database Updated.
RES 313-A-12	Costs of Assessing Clinical Competence	Policies H-300.982, H-275.936, H-405.974, H-275.923, H-275.924, H-275.956, D-275.971 and D-270.989 Reaffirmed in Lieu of Resolution 313.	AMA Policy Database Updated.
RES 314-A-12	Supporting Two-Interval Grading Systems for Medical Education	Adopted as Amended.	AMA Policy Database Updated.
RES 315-A-12	Advancements in Advocacy and Medical Care of Persons with Development Disabilities	Adopted.	AMA Policy Database Updated.
RES 316-A-12	Economic Growth and Distribution of GME Funding	Adopted as Amended.	The Health Resources and Services Administration, Robert Graham Center, and Cecil G. Sheps Center for Health Services Research were notified of the House action. The House action also was transmitted to each medical school, residency program director, directors of medical education at U.S. teaching hospitals and other interested groups via the MedEd Update.
RES 317-A-12	Physician Workforce Shortage	Referred.	A Council on Medical Education Report on this topic will be prepared for consideration by the House of Delegates at the 2013 Annual Meeting. <b>Council on Medical Education Report 5 on this subject appears in the Delegates Handbook for the 2013 Annual Meeting. (Reference Committee C)</b>
RES 318-A-12	Resident Work Hours	Current Policy Reaffirmed.	AMA Policy Database Updated.

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RES 319-A-12	Less Costly Alternatives to Maintenance of Specialty Board Certification	Adopted as Amended.	The American Board of Medical Specialties was notified of the House action. The House action also was transmitted to each medical school, residency program director, directors of medical education at U.S. teaching hospitals and other interested groups via the MedEd Update.
Res 320-A-12	Introducing Quality and Patient Safety Education Curriculum in Undergraduate Medical Education	Adopted as Amended.	The Liaison Committee on Medical Education was notified of the House action. The House action also was transmitted to each medical school, residency program director, directors of medical education at U.S. teaching hospitals and other interested groups via the MedEd Update.
RES 321-A-12	Medical School Student Loans	Adopted as Amended.	AMA Policy Database Updated.
RES 322-A-12	Strategies to Increase the Number of American Indians/Alaska Natives Applying to and Entering US Medical Schools	Current Policy Reaffirmed.	AMA Policy Database Updated.
RES 323-A-12	Arbitrary Prevention of J-1 Visa IMGs from Reentry into the US	Adopted as Amended.	The Accreditation Council for Graduate Medical Education and Educational Commission on Foreign Medical Graduates were notified of the House action. The House action also was transmitted to each medical school, residency program director, directors of medical education at U.S. teaching hospitals and other interested groups via the MedEd Update.
RES 324-A-12	Graduate Medical Education	Policies D-305.967 and H-310.917 Reaffirmed in Lieu of Resolution 324.	AMA Policy Database Updated.
RES 325-A-12	Curricula for Pain Education	Referred.	A Council on Medical Education Report on this subject will be prepared for consideration by the House of Delegates at the 2013 Annual Meeting. <b>Council on Medical Education Report 6 on this subject appears in the Delegates Handbook for the 2013 Annual Meeting. (Reference Committee C)</b>
RES 326-A-12	Healthcare Reform's Effect on Physician Workforce Shortage	Current Policy Reaffirmed.	AMA Policy Database Updated.

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RES 327-A-12	Retention and Availability of Continuing Medical Education Participation Records	Referred.	A Council on Medical Education Report on this subject will be prepared for consideration by the House of Delegates at the 2013 Annual Meeting.  <b>Council on Medical Education Report 7 on this subject appears in the Delegates Handbook for the 2013 Annual Meeting. (Reference Committee C)</b>
RES 328-A-12	The Changing Training Environment: Access to Procedural Training for Residents and Fellows	Referred.	A Council on Medical Education Report on this subject will be prepared for consideration by the House of Delegates at the 2013 Annual Meeting.  <b>Council on Medical Education Report 8 on this subject appears in the Delegates Handbook for the 2013 Annual Meeting. (Reference Committee C)</b>
RES 329-A-12	Going Forward with Reforming GME Financing	Referred.	A Council on Medical Education Report on this subject will be prepared for consideration by the House of Delegates at the 2013 Annual Meeting.  <b>Council on Medical Education Report 5 on this subject appears in the Delegates Handbook for the 2013 Annual Meeting. (Reference Committee C)</b>
RES 330-A-12	Proposal for a Retrospective Workforce Study	Not Adopted.	
RES 331-A-12	Improving Patient Safety Through Collaboration in Resident and Fellow Education	Adopted.	The American Osteopathic Association and Accreditation Council for Graduate Medical Education were notified of the House action. The House action also was transmitted to each medical school, residency program director, directors of medical education at U.S. teaching hospitals and other interested groups via the MedEd Update.
RES 401-A-12	Reduction of Electronic Aggression	Adopted as Amended with Change in Title.	AMA Policy Database Updated.
RES 402-A-12	Reducing Suicide Risk Among Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, Transgender, and Questioning Youth through Collaboration with Allied Organizations	Adopted.	Initiatives of various organizations are currently being assessed. A resource page will be compiled and promoted to further raise awareness of this public health concern and provide a consolidated source of information with which to improve the health of Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, Transgender, and Questioning Youth. The AMA's grand rounds program titled, "Meeting the Health care Needs of LGBT People" also highlights the increased risk of depression and suicide in the overall LGBT population. The program has been delivered to approximately 20 training programs and there is a streaming video of the program posted online.  <b>The initiatives of various organizations were assessed and a resource page was created. This page will be promoted to physicians and the public to further raise awareness of this public health concern. The AMA's grand rounds program titled, "Meeting the Health Care Needs of LGBT People," also continues to highlight the increased risk of depression and suicide in the overall LGBT population. The program has been delivered to approximately 25 training programs and there is a streaming video of the program posted online.</b>

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RES 403-A-12	Stigmatization of Mental Health Disorders Within the Medical Profession	Referred for Decision.	<p>The Board considered a report on Resolutions 403, 411, 414, 429 and 431-A-12. These resolutions address different but overlapping aspects of physician health and wellness, including stigmatization and discrimination. These sensitive issues are currently being addressed by the AMA. The AMA Office of Physician Health and Health Care Disparities has increased its presence in this arena recently by providing various tools, resources, and continuing medical education opportunities for physicians on physician health and wellness. The AMA Council on Science and Public Health has been active generating reports on physician health. The AMA is represented on both the Federation of State Physician Health Programs (FSPHP) Task Force on Educating Physicians on Physician Health Programs and the recently convened Federation of State Medical Board (FSMB) Special Committee on Re-entry for Formerly Impaired Physicians.</p> <p>The Board VOTED to adopt the following Substitute Resolution 403 in lieu of Resolutions 403, 411, 414, 429, and 431:</p> <p>ISSUES RELEVANT TO PHYSICIAN HEALTH AND WELLNESS AND LICENSURE</p> <p>RESOLVED, that Policies H-345.981, H-235.977, H-275.949, H-405.961, D-275.974, and E-9.0305 be reaffirmed.</p> <p>RESOLVED that Policy D-405.990-Educating Physicians About Physician Health Programs be amended by the addition of a new section 4 to read as follows: 1) Our AMA will work closely with the Federation of State Physician Health Programs (FSPHP) to educate our members as to the availability and services of state physician health programs to continue to create opportunities to help ensure physicians and medical students are fully knowledgeable about the purpose of physician health programs and the relationship that exists between the physician health program and the licensing authority in their state or territory; 2) Our AMA will continue to collaborate with relevant organizations on activities that address physician health and wellness; 3) Our AMA will, in conjunction with the FSPHP, develop state legislative guidelines addressing the design and implementation of physician health programs; and 4) Our AMA will work with FSPHP to develop messaging for all Federation members to consider regarding elimination of stigmatization of mental illness and illness in general in physicians and physicians in training.</p>
RES 404-A-12	Helmet Safety	Substitute Resolution 404 Adopted.	AMA Policy Database Updated.
RES 405-A-12	Tobacco Sales Amendment	Policy D-495.994 Adopted as Amended in Lieu of Resolutions 405 and 420.	AMA Policy Database Updated.



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RES 406-A-12	Sports Drinks and Energy Drinks for Children and Adolescents: Are They Appropriate?	Current Policy Reaffirmed.	AMA Policy Database Updated.
RES 407-A-12	Artificial Beverages	Recommendations in CSAPH Report 5 Adopted in Lieu of Resolution 407-A-12, Remainder of Report Filed.	See CSAPH Report 5-A-12.
RES 408-A-12	Supporting Minority Women's Choice to Breastfeed	Current Policy Reaffirmed.	AMA Policy Database Updated.
RES 409-A-12	AMA Support for Breastfeeding	Policy H-245.982 Adopted as Amended in Lieu of Resolutions 409 and 410.	AMA Policy Database Updated.
RES 410-A-12	AMA Support for Breastfeeding Working Mothers	Policy H-245.982 Adopted as Amended in Lieu of Resolutions 409 and 410.	See Resolution 409-A-12.
RES 411-A-12	Ending Discrimination Against Physicians Participating in Physician Health Programs	Referred for Decision. (with Resolutions 403, 414, 429 and 431)	See Resolution 403-A-12.
RES 412-A-12	Reaffirming Commitment to Physician Health and Wellbeing	Policies H-405.961, H-275.949, D-405.992 and D-405.990 Reaffirmed in Lieu of Resolution 412.	AMA Policy Database Updated.
RES 413-A-12	Setting Domestic and International Public Health Prevention Targets for Per Capita Alcohol Consumption as a Means of Reducing the Burden on Non-Communicable Diseases on Health Status	Adopted as Amended.	A meeting with staff from the National Cancer Institute and Centers for Disease Control and Prevention was held to discuss the AMA Healthier Life Steps® program which includes interventions to address alcohol and tobacco use and their impact on chronic diseases and other associated health and social consequences. An online module was developed with Medscape on the Healthier Life Steps program. AMA's EPoCH module on risky drinking was updated and submitted CME application for November.

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RES 414-A-12	Applicants for Licensure, Hospital Privileges, Professional Society Membership, and Specialty Board Certification by Physicians Participating in Physician Health Programs	Referred for Decision. (with Resolutions 403, 411, 429 and 431)	See Resolution 403-A-12.
RES 415-A-12	Taskforce on Medical Disaster Response and Indigent Care	Referred for Decision.	<p>The Board considered a report on Resolution 415-A-12 which asked the AMA to: (1) form a taskforce to collect information about, and address, coordination issues among, existing medical disaster response teams and plans, including those of state component medical societies, hospitals, the medical reserve, and federal and state-sponsored disaster medical assistance teams, (2) that this AMA taskforce work to define the AMA's and local medical societies' roles in response to a disaster; that it prepare recommendations for improved coordination among the various teams and plans that involve physician participation and that it investigate liability coverage issues for participating physicians, and (3) that this AMA taskforce also address the separate issue of physicians volunteering to fill unmet medical needs of indigent persons, including liability coverage for physician volunteers. Policy D-130-974, "Emergency Preparedness," addresses the issues raised in Resolution 415-A-12. Amending that policy to reflect the fact that the AMA's responsibilities in the NDLS program has been transferred to NDLSF expresses the AMA's continued support for the intent of the resolution without attenuating the AMA's focus on its new strategic direction.</p> <p>The Board VOTED to amend AMA Policy D-130.974 as follows in lieu of Resolution 415-A-12:</p> <p>D-130.974 Emergency Preparedness</p> <p>Our AMA (1) encourages state and local public health jurisdictions to develop and periodically update, with public and professional input, a comprehensive Public Health Disaster Plan specific to their locations. The plan should: (a) provide for special populations such as children, the indigent, and the disabled; (b) provide for anticipated public health needs of the affected and stranded communities including disparate, hospitalized and institutionalized populations; (c) provide for appropriate coordination and assignment of volunteer physicians; and (d) be deposited in a timely manner with the Federal Emergency Management Agency, the Public Health Service, the Department of Health and Human Services, the Department of Homeland Security and other appropriate federal agencies; and (2) encourages the Federation of State Medical Boards to implement a clearinghouse for volunteer physicians (MDs and DOs) that would (a) validate licensure in any state, district or territory to provide medical services in another distressed jurisdiction where a federal emergency has been declared; and (b) support national legislation that gives qualified physician volunteers (MDs and DOs), automatic medical liability immunity in the event of a declared national disaster or federal emergency.</p>

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RES 416-A-12	Marketing of Unhealthy Food and Beverages to Children	Current Policy Reaffirmed.	AMA Policy Database Updated.
RES 417-A-12	Tax Incentives and Films Depicting Tobacco	Adopted with Change in Title.	AMA Policy Database Updated.
RES 418-A-12	Mild Traumatic Brain Injury Awareness	Adopted as Amended.	Brain Injury Awareness Month is March and the AMA sent a letter to the CEO of the Brain Injury Association of America informing her of the AMA resolution and that in March the AMA will include in its e-newsletter, the Wire, information on the potential for mild cases of traumatic brain injury to have serious consequences and to be treated as aggressively as other brain traumas. Links will be included to appropriate resources.
RES 419-A-12	Protecting Our Children From Skin Cancer	Current Policy Reaffirmed.	AMA Policy Database Updated.
RES 420-A-12	Amend AMA Policy on Tobacco Sales in Pharmacies	Policy D-495.994 Adopted as Amended in Lieu of Resolutions 405 and 420.	See RES 405-A-12.
RES 421-A-12	Advocating for Disclosure of Nicotine Level Per Cigarette at Point of Sale	Policy H-495.989 Not Amended, Policy H-495.981 Reaffirmed.	AMA Policy Database Updated.
RES 423-A-12	Healthy Lifestyles	Adopted with Change in Title.	Conversations were initiated with the American College of Lifestyle Medicine and the American College of Preventive Medicine to strategize on outreach efforts to physicians and other organizations.
RES 424-A-12	Reauthorization of Funding for the Special Diabetes Program for Indians	Current Policy Reaffirmed.	AMA Policy Database Updated.
RES 425-A-12	Head Injury Prevention in Hockey	Adopted as Amended.	Discussed this issue with the American Academy of Family Physicians and will discuss again during the 2013 hockey season.

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RES 426-A-12	Prevention of Obesity Through Instruction in Public Schools	Adopted as Amended.	<p>AMA notified the Federation about new AMA policy to support instruction in nutrition and the prevention of obesity in public schools grade 1 to 12 and its willingness to assist all state and specialty societies in furthering these policies.</p> <p>The AMA is a member of the leadership council of Alliance to Prevent Obesity and hosted 3 meetings where physical activity and nutrition in schools was discussed and helped to formulate the short term goals which include the promotion and implementation of comprehensive developmentally appropriate K-12 curricula on nutrition and other healthy lifestyle issues.</p>
RES 427-A-12	Providing Physical Fitness Guidelines	Referred.	<p>A Board of Trustees Report on this subject will be prepared for consideration by the House of Delegates at the 2013 Annual Meeting.</p> <p><b>A Council on Science and Public Health on this subject will be prepared for consideration by the House of Delegates at the 2014 Annual Meeting.</b></p>
RES 428-A-12	Electronic Games and Health Promotion	Adopted as Amended with Change in Title.	<p>A Board of Trustees Report on this subject will be prepared for consideration by the House of Delegates at the 2013 Annual Meeting.</p> <p><b>Council on Science and Public Health Report 6 on this subject will appear in the Delegates Handbook for the 2013 Annual Meeting. (Reference Committee D)</b></p>
RES 429-A-12	Ending Discrimination Against Physicians Participating in Physician Health Programs	Referred for Decision. (with Resolutions 403, 411, 414 and 431)	See Resolution 403-A-12.
RES 430-A-12	Auto Safety	Current Policy Reaffirmed.	AMA Policy Database Updated.
RES 431-A-12	Applicants for Licensure, Hospital Privileges, Professional Society Membership and Specialty Board Certifications by Physicians Participating in Physician Health Programs	Referred for Decision. (with Resolutions 403, 411, 414 and 429)	See Resolution 403-A-12.
RES 432-A-12	Age-Based Alcohol Policies	Not Adopted.	

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RES 433-A-12	Preventing Deaths and Injuries from Distracted Walking	Adopted.	The AMA sent a letter encouraging the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration to support our new policy. A Board of Trustee report on this subject will also be prepared for consideration by the House of Delegates at the 2013 Annual Meeting. <b>Board of Trustees Report 10 on this subject appears in the Delegates Handbook for the 2013 Annual Meeting. (Reference Committee D)</b>
RES 434-A-12	AMA's Support for Evidence Based Obesity Prevention Strategies	Policies H-150.953, H-440.902 and D-470.993 Reaffirmed in Lieu of Resolution 434.	AMA Policy Database Updated.
RES 435-A-12	Healthy Meals for Children	Policy H-150.935 Reaffirmed in Lieu of Resolution 435.	AMA Policy Database Updated.
RES 501-A-12	Study of Cancer Incidence in 9/11 Responders	Adopted with Change in Title.	AMA Policy Database Updated.
RES 502-A-12	Reduced Incarceration and Improved Treatment of Individuals with Mental Illness or Illicit Drug Dependence	Policy H-430.997 Adopted as Amended in Lieu of Resolution 502.	AMA Policy Database Updated.
RES 503-A-12	Promoting Prevention of Fatal Opioid Overdose	Policy D-95.987 Adopted as Amended in Lieu of Resolution 503.	AMA Policy Database Updated.
RES 504-A-12	Regulations on the Patenting of Endogenous Human DNA	Policy H-140.855 Adopted as Amended in Lieu of Resolution 504.	AMA Policy Database Updated.
RES 505-A-12	Direct-to-Consumer Advertising of Durable Medical Equipment and Medical Supplies	Referred.	A Board of Trustees Report on this subject will be prepared for consideration by the House of Delegates at the 2013 Annual Meeting. <b>Board of Trustees Report 14 on this subject appears in the Delegates Handbook for the 2013 Annual Meeting. (Reference Committee E)</b>
RES 506-A-12	Composition of the US Preventive Services Task Force	Current Policy Reaffirmed.	AMA Policy Database Updated.

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RES 507-A-12	2013: The Year of Ultrasound	Substitute Resolution 507 Adopted in lieu of Resolution 507.	AMA Policy Database Updated.
RES 508-A-12	Medical Device "Use Before Dates"	Adopted as Amended with Change in Title.	AMA request for clarification of the definition and meaning of "use before dates" for medical devices was communicated to the Deputy Director, FDA Center for Devices and Radiological Health.
RES 509-A-12	Regulatory Relief to End America's Drug Shortages	Recommendations in CSAPH Report 7 Adopted as Amended in Lieu of Resolutions 509, 510, 524 and 525, Remainder of Report Filed.	See CSAPH Report 7-A-12.
RES 510-A-12	Shortages of Non-Narcotic Schedule II Medications Due to DEA and FDA Controls	Recommendations in CSAPH Report 7 Adopted as Amended in Lieu of Resolutions 509, 510, 524 and 525, Remainder of Report Filed.	See CSAPH Report 7-A-12.
RES 511-A-12	Medical vs Legal Solutions to Drug Abuse	Referred.	A Council on Science and Public Health Report on this subject will be prepared for consideration by the House of Delegates at the 2013 Annual Meeting. <b>A Council on Science and Public Health Report on this subject will be prepared for consideration by the House of Delegates at the 2013 Interim Meeting.</b>
RES 512-A-12	Nanoparticle Testing, Monitoring and Regulation	Referred.	A Council on Science and Public Health Report on this subject will be prepared for consideration by the House of Delegates at the 2013 Annual Meeting. <b>Council on Science and Public Health Report 2 on this subject appears in the Delegates Handbook for the 2013 Annual Meeting. (Reference Committee E)</b>
RES 513-A-12	Triclosan Antimicrobials	Adopted as Amended with Change in Title.	The FDA is currently engaged in a comprehensive scientific and regulatory review of all the available safety and effectiveness data. This includes data relevant to the emerging safety issues of bacterial resistance and endocrine disruption due to triclosan in FDA-regulated products. The FDA will be incorporating this data and information into the regulations that govern the use of triclosan in consumer products. The FDA anticipates communicating the findings of its review in winter 2012. The AMA continued to provide messaging to patients and healthcare professionals on the importance of hand hygiene and infection control. Opportunities to increase this messaging will increase as the influenza season approaches.
Res 514-A-12	Synthetic Gasification	Adopted as Amended.	The AMA sent a letter encouraging the Institute of Medicine to support our new policy.

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RES 515-A-12	Modernization of the Federal Toxic Substances Control Act (TSCA) of 1976	Adopted as Amended.	A letter was written to Environmental Protection Agency Administrator Lisa Jackson seeking a strengthening of requirements for regulating environmental chemicals.
RES 516-A-12	Warning New York State Citizens of Products Known to Cause Cancer, Birth Defects or Other Reproductive Harm	Not Adopted.	
RES 517-A-12	Cause the United States Preventive Services Task Force (USPSTF) to Seek Appropriate Physician Specialty Society Input and to be Subject to Transparency and Appeal	Substitute Resolution 517 Adopted in Lieu of Resolutions 517 and 527.	The AMA sent a letter to the USPSTF and AHRQ. In the meantime, AMA has communicated with AHRQ the necessity to maintain mechanisms by which meaningful input on recommendation development can be considered. It has been pointed out that such a mechanism does exist within the USPSTF public comment period.
RES 518-A-12	Pain as a Major Health Care Problem	Policies D-120.976, D-160.981 and H-280.958 Reaffirmed in Lieu of Resolution 518.	AMA Policy Database Updated.
RES 519-A-12	Support for Decreasing Pollution from Energy Sources	Current Policy Reaffirmed.	AMA Policy Database Updated.
RES 520-A-12	Revision of Resuscitation Policies for Premature Infants Born at the Cusp of Viability	Substitute Resolution 520 Adopted in Lieu of Resolution 520.	AMA Policy Database Updated.

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RES 521-A-12	Physician Awareness and Education About Pharmaceutical and Biological Risk Evaluation and Mitigation	Adopted as Amended.	<p>Council on Science and Public Health Report 3 in response to Resolve 1, appears in the Delegates Handbook for the 2012 Interim Meeting. (Reference Committee K)</p> <p>With respect to Resolve 2, of the three forms a REMS can take, the one most concerning to physicians are those that include “elements to assure safe use” (ETASU) as these have the greatest impact on physician workflow. Of the 69 products with approved REMS, 26 include ETASU and another 3 are approved single share system REMS which also require ETASU. Unfortunately, these programs are primarily paper-based and have not been incorporated in eprescribing programs – standalone or as components of EHRs. Management has prepared a letter addressed to eprescribing market leaders asking them to include links to specific ETASU REMS, as appropriate, in their formulary, prior authorization or decision support functions so that physicians are not required to go to the FDA website (<a href="http://www.fda.gov/Drugs/DrugSafety/PostmarketDrugSafetyInformationforPatientsandProviders/ucm111350.htm">http://www.fda.gov/Drugs/DrugSafety/PostmarketDrugSafetyInformationforPatientsandProviders/ucm111350.htm</a>) and search to see if a ETASU REMS exists for a specific drug they are planning to prescribe.</p> <p><b>HOD Action: Recommendations in CSAPH Report 3 Adopted, Remainder of Report Filed.</b></p>
RES 522-A-12	Lead Free Wheel Weights	Policy H-135.959 Reaffirmed in Lieu of Resolution 522.	AMA Policy Database Updated.
RES 523-A-12	Appropriate Use of Antipsychotic Medications in Nursing Home Patients Without Penalty	Adopted as Amended.	AMA has established an ongoing dialogue with the Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS) regarding federal policy on prescribing of antipsychotics for patients in nursing homes. An AMA workgroup that includes representatives from specialty societies and beneficiary organizations has been meeting regularly with CMS officials. During these meetings, AMA is advocating for CMS to acknowledge that antipsychotics can be an appropriate treatment for dementia-related psychosis if non-pharmacologic approaches have failed, and for CMS to avoid or cease penalties for medically necessary and appropriate use of these drugs for the patient population.
RES 524-A-12	Effective Action to End Critical Drug Shortages	Recommendations in CSAPH Report 7 Adopted as Amended in Lieu of Resolutions 509, 510, 524 and 525, Remainder of Report Filed.	See CSAPH Report 7-A-12.
RES 525-A-12	Reassessment of “Average Price Formula” Plus 6% of CMS	Recommendations in CSAPH Report 7 Adopted as Amended in Lieu of Resolutions 509, 510, 524 and 525, Remainder of Report Filed.	See CSAPH Report 7-A-12.



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RES 526-A-12	Support EPA's Carbon Emissions Standard	Policies H-135.949 and H-135.934 Reaffirmed in Lieu of Resolution 526.	AMA Policy Database Updated.
RES 527-A-12	Encourage the AMA to Seek Constructive Input to the Deliberations of the United States Preventative Services Task Force by Requiring Representation from Specialty Societies Specific to the Clinical Area Under Review by USPSTF	Substitute Resolution 517 Adopted in Lieu of Resolutions 517 and 527.	See RES 517-A-12.
RES 601-A-12	AMA Truth Squad	Policy H-445.995 Reaffirmed in Lieu of Resolution 601.	AMA Policy Database Updated.
RES 603-A-12	AMA - My Medications App	Not Adopted.	
RES 604-A-12	AMA Priorities and Private, Solo and Small Group Practice	Adopted with Change in Title.	AMA Policy Database Updated.
RES 605-A-12	Use of Virtual Reference Committees by the American Medical Association	Not Adopted.	
RES 607-A-12	AMA Online Physician Platform	Not Adopted.	
RES 608-A-12	Violence or Intimidation Directed Toward or by Medical Professionals	Policy H-515.982 Reaffirmed in Lieu of Resolution 608.	AMA Policy Database Updated.

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RES 609-A-12	Healers and Heroes Program	Referred for Decision.	<p>The Board considered a report on Resolution 609-A-12, which asked the AMA to institute a national program based on New Jersey's Healers and Heroes Program, or Vet2Vet program, that will confidentially connect military personnel returning from deployment with physician volunteers who have previous military service to provide counsel for their healthcare needs. The report noted that early in 2012, the AMA joined with the federal government in supporting the Joining Forces Initiative. This federal initiative highlights three issues of special importance to veterans and their families: employment, education, and wellness. Additionally, through our website, the AMA supports veteran health and wellness by connecting physicians with information, tools and training materials to help assess and treat our nation's veterans and their families. The AMA has chosen to align itself with Joining Forces rather than create a program of its own or one similar to the MSNJ program. Although the fiscal note on the resolution was indeterminate, the resources to set up a nationwide confidential program would be considerable and duplicate efforts already under way in some states, by the Departments of Veteran Affairs and Defense, and the White House.</p> <p>The Board VOTED to not adopt Resolution 609-A-12, and the AMA will continue to update and promote our Web page with information and tools for physicians in supporting veteran health.</p>
RES 610-A-12	Participation in CPT Process	Not Adopted.	
RES 611-A-12	Uniformity of CPT Disclosure and Confidentiality Policies	Not Adopted.	
RES 612-A-12	AMA Meeting Schedule	Substitute Resolution 612 Adopted as Amended in Lieu of Resolution 615.	<p>Board of Trustees Report 7 on this subject appears in the Delegates Handbook for the 2012 Interim Meeting. (Reference Committee F)</p> <p><b>HOD Action: Substitute Recommendations in BOT Report 7 Adopted as Amended, Remainder of Report Filed.</b></p>
RES 613-A-12	Triage of AMA Resolutions	Not Adopted.	
RES 614-A-12	AMA Leadership Transparency	Not Adopted.	
RES 615-A-12	Selection of AMA Interim Meeting Location	Substitute Resolution 612 Adopted as Amended in Lieu of Resolution 615.	See Substitute RES 612-A-12.

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RES 701-A-12	Effect of Computers in the Exam Room on Physician-Patient Communication	Referred.	A Board of Trustees Report on this subject will be prepared for consideration by the House of Delegates at the 2013 Annual Meeting.  <b>Board of Trustees Report 21 on this subject appears in the Delegates Handbook for the 2013 Annual Meeting. (Reference Committee G)</b>
RES 702-A-12	Improved Adequacy of Translation Services in Hospital and Pharmacy Settings	Adopted as Amended.	AMA Policy Database Updated.
RES 703-A-12	Support of Multilingual Assessment Tools for Medical Professionals	Adopted.	AMA Policy Database Updated.
RES 704-A-12	Physician Led Quality Improvement Projects	Policies D-450.983, D-478.984 and H-450.946 Reaffirmed in Lieu of Resolution 704.	AMA Policy Database Updated.
RES 705-A-12	Opting Out of Health Information Exchanges	Policies D-478.988 and H-315.983 Reaffirmed in Lieu of Resolution 705.	AMA Policy Database Updated.
RES 706-A-12	Supporting the Value and Adoption of Population Health Management Strategies	Policies H-155.960 and H-160.919 Reaffirmed in Lieu of Resolution 706.	AMA Policy Database Updated.
RES 707-A-12	Advocacy for Medicare/Medicaid Coverage of Multi-Use Technology Platforms for Augmentative and Alternative Communication Devices	Referred.	A Board of Trustees Report on this subject will be prepared for consideration by the House of Delegates at the 2013 Annual Meeting.  <b>Board of Trustees Report 13 on this subject appears in the Delegates Handbook for the 2013 Annual Meeting. (Reference Committee G)</b>
RES 708-A-12	Accurate Evaluation of Pain Control During Hospital Visits	Referred.	A Board of Trustees Report on this subject will be prepared for consideration by the House of Delegates at the 2013 Annual Meeting.  <b>Board of Trustees Report 9 on this subject appears in the Delegates Handbook for the 2013 Annual Meeting. (Reference Committee G)</b>

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RES 709-A-12	Insurance Company Denials	Substitute Resolution 709 Adopted in Lieu of Resolutions 709 and 712.	Detailed information on the AMA model legislation titled "Appropriate Use of Preauthorization Act" has been sent to all state medical associations and national specialty societies.
RES 710-A-12	Support Integration of Care for Returning Military, Veterans and Their Families by Opening Access to the States' Prescription Monitoring Programs by VA Prescribing Providers	Referred for Decision.	<p>The Board considered a report on Resolution 710-A-12 which asked the AMA to advocate to the VA that their health care providers be permitted to utilize state-based prescription (drug) monitoring programs (PDMP) in order to improve the medical management of patients with mental health and/or substance use disorders. Resolution 710 also urged increased collaboration among the Department of Veterans Affairs, Veterans Service Organizations, and non-VA based physicians to encourage community-based care. Current AMA Policy H-95.947—Prescription Drug Monitoring to Prevent Abuse of Controlled Substances—supports the development of state-based PDMPs that are: (1) inter-operative; (2) serve as a tool for addressing patient misuse and diversion of controlled substances; and (3) provide real time access to a patient's controlled substances prescriptions. The number of states that share PDMP information is increasing with the assistance of integrated software platforms that enable this practice. The Consolidated Appropriations Act of 2102 (P.L. 112-74) authorized the Secretary of the VA to share VA-based prescription information with PDMPs. Accordingly, a legislative remedy is in place that addresses the intent of Resolution 712-A-12.</p> <p>The Board VOTED to adopt Substitute Resolution 710-A-12 to read as follows</p> <p>RESOLVED, That our American Medical Association (AMA) urge the Secretary of the Department of Veterans Affairs (VA) to implement procedures allowing and encouraging VA-based health care providers to access and utilize state-based prescription drug monitoring programs in order to improve risk assessment and medical management of their patients receiving prescriptions for controlled substances. (Directive to Take Action)</p>
RES 711-A-12	Web-Based Tele-Health Initiatives and Possible Interference with the Traditional Physician-Patient Relationship	Referred.	<p>A Board of Trustees Report on this subject will be prepared for consideration by the House of Delegates at the 2013 Annual Meeting.</p> <p><b>Board of Trustees Report 22 on this subject appears in the Delegates Handbook for the 2013 Annual Meeting. (Reference Committee G)</b></p>
RES 712-A-12	Regulation and Transparency of Radiology and Cardiology Benefit Managers' Contracts	Substitute Resolution 709 Adopted in Lieu of Resolutions 709 and 712.	See RES 709-A-12.

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RES 713-A-12	Transparency in Recruiting and Marketing Techniques for Young Physicians	Adopted.	The AMA has created resources related to recruiting aimed to help physicians who are both newly trained and seasoned professionals. AMA members can request personal assistance on matters pertaining to their employment and other professional relationships. The AMA cannot provide legal opinions or representation but is dedicated to answering questions and providing advice on such topics as contracting, credentialing, peer review, due process, and medical staff governance. The AMA also has developed a Succeeding from Medical School to Practice guide. This comprehensive, easy-to-navigate online resource includes a wealth of valuable information plus streaming video to help medical students, residents, fellows and young physicians confront the nonclinical demands of training and today's practice environment. This guide offers AMA members the tools needed to succeed at every stage of their career. More information can be found on the OMSS webpage. <b>No additional activity to report.</b>
RES 714-A-12	Electronic Health Record Vendor Contracting Policies	Policies D-478.996 and D-478.995 Reaffirmed in Lieu of Resolution 714.	AMA Policy Database Updated.
RES 715-A-12	Electronic Medical Record Communication	Policies D-478.996 and D-478.995 Reaffirmed in Lieu of Resolution 715.	AMA Policy Database Updated.
RES 716-A-12	Remove Face-to-Face Interaction Requirement for Certification of Home Health Needs	Referred.	Council on Medical Service Report 3 on this subject appears in the Delegates Handbook for the 2012 Interim Meeting. (Reference Committee J)  <b>HOD Action: Recommendations in CMS Report 03-I-12 Adopted, Remainder of Report Filed.</b>
RES 717-A-12	Doctor's Rating Website and Online Reputation	Policies D-478.980 and D-478.989 Reaffirmed in Lieu of Resolution 717.	AMA Policy Database Updated.
RES 718-A-12	Strengthening Medicolegal Death Investigations	Adopted as Amended.	All state medical associations and national medical specialty societies have been notified of AMA's willingness to work with, and encourage, them to enact legislation to facilitate the transition from coroner systems to medical examiner systems.
RES 719-A-12	The Importance of Local Control of Hospitals	Adopted.	AMA Policy Database Updated.

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RES 720-A-12	Medicare and the Independent Medical Staff	Current Policy Reaffirmed.	AMA Policy Database Updated.
RES 721-A-12	Comprehensive Analysis of Potential Errors Facilitated by the Implementation of Computerized Physician Order Entry	Recommendations in BOT Report 17 Adopted as Amended in Lieu of Resolution 721, Remainder of Report Filed.	See BOT Report 17-A-12.
RES 722-A-12	Cost and Benefit Analysis for Electronic Health Record Implementation	Referred.	A Board of Trustees Report on this subject will be prepared for consideration by the House of Delegates at the 2013 Annual Meeting.  <b>Board of Trustees Report 24 on this subject appears in the Delegates Handbook for the 2013 Annual Meeting. (Reference Committee G)</b>
RES 723-A-12	Face to Face Encounter Forms	Referred.	Council on Medical Service Report 3 on this subject appears in the Delegates handbook for the 2012 Interim Meeting. (Reference Committee J) <b>HOD Action: Recommendations in CMS Report 3-I-12 Adopted, Remainder of Report Filed.</b>
RES 724-A-12	AMA Principles for Physician Employment	Referred.	Board of Trustees Report 6 on this subject appears in the Delegates Handbook for the 2012 Interim Meeting. (Reference Committee on Amendments to Constitution and Bylaws) <b>HOD Action: Recommendations in BOT Report 6 Adopted as Amended, Remainder of Report Filed.</b>
RES 725-A-12	Understanding the Pitfalls of Electronic Health Records and Providing Strategies for Success	Referred.	See RES 722-A-12.  <b>Board of Trustees Report 24 on this subject appears in the Delegates Handbook for the 2013 Annual Meeting. (Reference Committee G)</b>
RES 726-A-12	Medical Examiner Patient Postmortem: Cause of Death Transparency	Adopted.	Work has begun to recruit an AMA-led stakeholder group tasked with developing guidelines for postmortem communication between physicians, hospitals, medical examiners, and next of kin.  <b>A stakeholder group, which includes representatives from the AMA, the American Academy of family Physicians, the American Hospital Association, the college of American Pathologists, and the National association of Medical Examiners, has been convened. Guidelines have been drafted and are expected to be finalized in the third quarter of 2013.</b>

## Status - Implementation of Resolutions and Report Recommendations AMA House of Delegates Interim Meeting - November 10-13, 2012

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BOT Report 01-I-12	Specialty Society Representation Requirements	Recommendations in BOT Report 1 Adopted as Amended, Remainder of Report Filed.	Recommendation 3 - Our AMA notified the Federation about new AMA policy to monitor state legislative efforts on increased criminal penalties for assaults against health care providers and its willingness to assist all state and specialty societies, at the state level, when issues related to workplace violence in and outside of the emergency department arise.  AMA Policy Database Updated.
BOT Report 02-I-12	Surveying Violence in the Non-Hospital Work Environment	Recommendations in BOT Report 2 Adopted as Amended, Remainder of Report Filed.	AMA Policy Database Updated.
BOT Report 03-I-12	Physician Education to Support Patient Adherence to Treatment	Adopted.	AMA Policy Database Updated.
BOT Report 04-I-12	Single Signature Contracts and Right to "Opt Out" (Resolution 830-I-11)	Recommendations in BOT Report 4 Adopted, Remainder of Report Filed.	AMA Policy Database Updated.
BOT Report 05-I-12	National Database for J-1 Visa Waiver Program	Recommendations in BOT Report 5 Adopted as Amended, Remainder of Report Filed.	AMA Policy Database Updated.
BOT Report 06-I-12	AMA Principles for Physician Employment (Resolution 724-A-12)	Recommendations in BOT Report 6 Adopted as Amended, Remainder of Report Filed.	The Principles for Physician Employment ( <a href="http://www.ama-assn.org/go/employmentprinciples">www.ama-assn.org/go/employmentprinciples</a> ) were sent to the American Hospital Association, the Medical Group Management Association, the Society of Hospital Medicine, and the American Medical Group Association, with a request that these organizations adopt the Principles as their own.  AMA Policy Database Updated.
BOT Report 07-I-12	Potential Combined HOD/NAC Meeting	Substitute Recommendations in BOT Report 7 Adopted as Amended, Remainder of Report Filed.	Board of Trustees Report 30 on this subject appears in the Delegates Handbook for the 2013 Annual Meeting. (Reference Committee F)
BOT Report 08-I-12	Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act Nondiscrimination Language	Recommendations in BOT Report 8 Adopted, Remainder of Report Filed.	Board of Trustees Report 32 on the subject appears in the Delegates Handbook for the 2013 Annual Meeting. (Reference Committee B)  AMA Policy Database Updated.
BOT Report 09-I-12	2013 Strategic Plan	Filed.	

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BOT Report 10-I-12	Specialty Society Representation in the House of Delegates - Five-Year Review	Recommendations in BOT Report 10 Adopted as Amended, Remainder of Report Filed.	Board of Trustees Report 33 on this subject will be considered by the House of Delegates at the 2013 Annual Meeting. (Reference Committee on Amendments to Constitution and Bylaws)
CEJA Report 01-I-12	Amendment to Opinion E-9.011, "Continuing Medical Education"	Recommendations in CEJA Report 1 Adopted as Amended, Remainder of Report Filed.	AMA Policy Database Updated.
CLRPD Report 01-I-12	Proposal for a Senior Physicians Section	Recommendations in CLRPD Report 1 Adopted and Remainder of Report Filed.	Council on Constitution and Bylaws Report 2 on this subject appears in the Delegates Handbook for the 2013 Annual Meeting and presents additional bylaws for the Senior Physicians Section. (Reference Committee on Amendments to Constitution and Bylaws)
CME Report 01-I-12	Update on Interprofessional Education	Recommendations in CME Report 1 Adopted as Amended, Remainder of Report Filed.	The House action was transmitted to each medical school, residency program director, directors of medical education at U.S. teaching hospitals and other interested groups via the MedEd Update.  AMA Policy Database Updated.
CME-CMS Joint Report I-	The Structure and Function of Interprofessional Health Care Teams	Recommendations in CME-CMS Joint Report I-12 Adopted as Amended, Remainder of Report Filed.	The House action was transmitted to each medical school, residency program director, directors of medical education at U.S. teaching hospitals and other interested groups via the MedEd Update.  A Council on Medical Service Report on this subject will be prepared for consideration by the House of Delegates at the 2013 Interim Meeting.  AMA Policy Database Updated.
CMS Report 01-I-12	Cost-Sharing for Specialty Drugs (Resolution 802-I-11)	Recommendations in CMS Report 1 Adopted, Remainder of Report Filed.	AMA Policy Database Updated.
CMS Report 02-I-12	Medical Record and Reporting Standards (Resolution 812-I-11)	Recommendations in CMS Report 2 Adopted as Amended, Remainder of Report Filed.	A Council on Medical Service Report on this subject will be prepared for consideration by the House of Delegates at the 2013 Interim Meeting.  AMA Policy Database Updated.



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CMS Report 03-I-12	Face-to-Face Encounter Rule (Resolutions 813-I-11, 716-A-12 and 723-A-12)	Recommendations in CMS Report 03-I-12 Adopted, Remainder of Report Filed.	Recommendations 3, 4 & 5 - Our AMA continues to monitor the new ACA face-to-face requirements and impact they have on physicians. We also sought input from affected specialties on this topic. As concerns and questions arise, our AMA continues to share them with CMS. We will continue to educate physicians on the documentation requirements. Our AMA maintains a web page on the home health face-to-face requirements outlining the documentation needed by Medicare to support the ACA mandate. And, we continue to advocate to HHS against unfunded mandates.  AMA Policy Database Updated.
CMS Report 05-I-12	Strengthening Medicare for Current and Future Generations	Recommendations in CMS Report 5 Adopted as Amended, Remainder of Report Filed.	The Council on Medical Service continues to review the literature and modeling undertaken by CBO and other researchers, and will report further to the House of Delegates when more comprehensive data and findings become available.  AMA Policy Database Updated.
CSAPH Report 01-I-12	Use of Atypical Antipsychotics in Pediatric Patients	Recommendations in CSAPH Report 1 Adopted, Remainder of Report Filed.	A letter was sent to Thomas Insel, MD, Director, National Institute of Mental Health, seeking their assistance in developing guidance for physicians on the long-term safety and effectiveness of atypical antipsychotics in pediatric patients.  AMA Policy Database Updated.
CSAPH Report 02-I-12	National Drug Shortages-Update	Recommendations in CSAPH Report 2 Adopted as Amended, Remainder of Report Filed.	Council on Science and Public Health Report 8 on this subject will appear in the Delegates Handbook for the 2013 Annual Meeting. (Reference Committee E)
CSAPH Report 03-I-12	Risk Evaluation and Mitigation Strategies	Recommendations in CSAPH Report 3 Adopted, Remainder of Report Filed.	In response to a February 2013 report from the Office of Inspector General critical of the ability of the Food and Drug Administration (FDA) to determine whether risk evaluation and mitigation strategies (REMS) improve drug safety, the FDA agreed to develop and implement a plan to identify, develop, validate, and assess REMS components. To support the initiative, FDA will incorporate input from stakeholders, including the AMA, on issues and challenges associated with development, implementation, and assessment of REMS, including administrative burdens placed on physicians and the healthcare system. FDA also will seek to identify REMS that are not meeting their goals and take appropriate actions to protect the public health, while ensuring that they are “not unduly burdensome on patient access to a drug.”  AMA Policy Database Updated.

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CSAPH Report 04-I-12	Clinical Application of Next-Generation Genomic Sequencing	Recommendations in CSAPH Report 4 Adopted as Amended, Remainder of Report Filed.	AMA Policy Database Updated.
CSAPH Report 05-I-12	AMA Policy Consolidation: Influenza and Influenza Vaccine	Recommendations in CSAPH Report 5 Adopted, Remainder of Report Filed.	AMA Policy Database Updated.
RES 001-I-12	Employment Status and Eligibility for Election or Appointment to Medical Staff Leadership Positions	Referred.	Board of Trustees Report 29 on this subject appears in the Delegates Handbook for the 2013 Annual Meeting. (Reference Committee on Amendments to Constitution and Bylaws)
RES 002-I-12	The Corporate Practice of Medicine	Adopted.	A Council on Medical Service Report on this subject will be prepared for consideration by the House of Delegates at the 2013 Interim Meeting.
RES 201-I-12	Antitrust Exemption for Health Insurance Companies	Referred for Decision.	<p>Resolution 201-I-12, submitted by the Medical Student Section, asked our AMA to urge federal authorities to oppose antitrust exemption status for health insurance companies currently available to health insurers under the McCarran-Ferguson Act of 1945 (the Act). Our AMA has considered repeal of the Act on two recent occasions. Each time, our AMA decided not to support repeal. Our AMA has repeatedly chosen not to support repeal because to do so would divert advocacy resources from our long-standing, focused antitrust advocacy strategy. Our AMA has extensive policy calling for antitrust relief to level the playing field in physician/health insurer negotiations.</p> <p>The Board VOTED to not adopt Resolution 201-I-12; and to reaffirm existing HOD policies H-180.975, H-285.995, H-380.987, H-383.990, H-383.992, H-383.993, H-385.971, H-385.973, H-385.976.</p>
RES 202-I-12	Medical Marijuana Research	Policies H-95.952 and H-95.998 Reaffirmed in Lieu of Resolution 202.	AMA Policy Database Updated.
RES 203-I-12	Student Loans and Medicare/Medicaid Participation	Adopted as Amended.	Staff continue to monitor this issue, but no legislative opportunities have manifested at this time.
RES 204-I-12	Establishing a Safe Harbor for Integrated Care of Obstructive Sleep Apnea	Current Policy Reaffirmed.	AMA Policy Database Updated.
RES 205-I-12	Increase the Ability of CMS to Change Payment Guideline for Immunizations Without New Congressional Legislation	Current Policy Reaffirmed.	AMA Policy Database Updated.
RES 206-I-12	Opposition to Criminalization of Reproductive Decision Making	Current Policy Reaffirmed.	AMA Policy Database Updated.

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RES 208-I-12	A More Uniform Approach to Assessing Patients for Controlled Substances for Pain Relief	Referred	A Board Report on this subject will be prepared for consideration by the House of Delegates at the 2013 Interim Meeting.
RES 209-I-12	Eliminate ICD-10	Adopted as Amended in Lieu of Resolution 216.	Working with AMA staff, Cong. Ted Poe (R-TX) has introduced legislation to prevent the Secretary from implementing ICD-10 and calling for a study on alternatives. Our AMA sent a letter to CMS signed by numerous specialty and state medical societies in December 2012 advocating against ICD-10 and has pushed this issue with top officials in the Administration.
RES 210-I-12	Monitoring the Affordable Care Act	Adopted as Amended.	A Council on Medical Service Report on this subject will be prepared for consideration by the House of Delegates at the 2013 Interim Meeting.
RES 211-I-12	Use of Prevention and Public Health Fund Dollars for Activities Unrelated to Prevention and Health Promotion	Adopted.	Our AMA has reached out to Sen. Tom Harkin (D-IA) to discuss how we can assist in preventing inappropriate uses of the prevention fund. AMA will also be contacting the Secretary of HHS to express our objection to the use of the prevention fund for purposes not consistent with statute. Staff continues to monitor budgetary and appropriations opportunities to restore diverted funding.  AMA Policy Database Updated.
RES 212-I-12	Pharmacist Administration of Vaccines	Referred.	A Council on Medical Service Report on this subject will be prepared for consideration by the House of Delegates at the 2013 Interim Meeting.
RES 213-I-12	Non-Physician Practitioners Certifying Medicare Patients' Need for Therapeutic Shoes and Inserts	Referred.	A Board of Trustees Report on this subject will be prepared for consideration by the House of Delegates at the 2013 Interim Meeting.
RES 214-I-12	Supporting the Ability of Advanced Practice Providers to Order Care	Not Adopted.	
RES 215-I-12	Sequestration Budget Cuts	Adopted.	A letter signed by 130 national specialty and state medical association was sent on December 21, 2012 opposing the sequestration budget cuts.  The House action was transmitted to each medical school, residency program director, directors of medical education at U.S. teaching hospitals and other interested groups via the MedEd Update.
RES 216-I-12	Recommend the US Move Directly to ICD-11 and Skip ICD-10	Resolution 209 Adopted as Amended in Lieu of Resolution 216.	See RES 209-I-12.

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RES 218-I-12	Oppose Medicare Penalties for Non Adoption of HER	Policies H-478.991 and D-478.994 Reaffirmed in Lieu of Resolutions 218, 219, 226 and 228.	AMA Policy Database Updated.
RES 219-I-12	Electronic Health Records	Policies H-478.991 and D-478.994 Reaffirmed in Lieu of Resolutions 218, 219, 226 and 228.	AMA Policy Database Updated.
RES 221-I-12	Decoupling Social Security from Medicare	Adopted as Amended.	AMA Policy Database Updated.
RES 222-I-12	Generic Medications and Pay for Delay Practices	Adopted.	AMA Policy Database Updated.
RES 223-I-12	Mandatory Physician Enrollment in Medicare	Adopted.	CMS has previously informed our AMA that such an option contemplated by this resolution does not exist. No legislation has been introduced at this time.
RES 224-I-12	RAC Audits of E&M Codes	Adopted as Amended.	Our AMA continues to strongly urge CMS to eliminate RAC audits of E/M codes, as the RACs do not have the clinical expertise to make judgments regarding E/M code use. To date, CMS has limited these audits to a test RAC review among three physicians. Our AMA will continue to aggressively oppose these audits. Our AMA has submitted multiple statements and a white paper to the White House, Committees on Energy and Commerce and Oversight and Government Reform, as well as the Senate Finance Committee, regarding the burden of current program integrity efforts and suggestions for reform.
RES 225-I-12	Income Eligibility/Tax Deductibility of Student Loan Interest	Policy D-305.962 Reaffirmed in Lieu of Resolution 225.	AMA Policy Database Updated.
RES 226-I-12	Penalties for Non-Adoption of Health Information Technology	Policies H-478.991 and D-478.994 Reaffirmed in Lieu of Resolutions 218, 219, 226 and 228.	AMA Policy Database Updated.
RES 227-I-12	Medicare Part B Coverage of Tdap (Tetanus, Diphtheria, Acellular Pertussis)	Adopted.	Our AMA has been working to change coverage of Tdap vaccine from Part D to Part B for many years and continues to do so. Our AMA has supported legislative initiatives to move coverage of Part D vaccines into Part B. We have also provided input into a Government Accountability Office (GAO) study regarding coverage of Part D vaccines. Our AMA also has urged the administration to use its authority provided by the ACA to add Medicare coverage for preventive services to move preventive vaccines from Part D to Part B.

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RES 228-I-12	Medicare's Payment Reduction for Medicare Eligible Professionals Who Do Not Demonstrate Meaningful Use of Electronic Medical Records by 2015	Policies H-478.991 and D-478.994 Reaffirmed in Lieu of Resolutions 218, 219, 226 and 228.	AMA Policy Database Updated.
RES 230-I-12	Innovation to Improve Usability and Decrease Costs of Electronic Health Record Systems for Physicians	Substitute Resolution 230 Adopted.	Board of Trustees Report 23 on this subject appears in the Delegates Handbook for the 2013 Annual Meeting. (Reference Committee G)
RES 601-I-12	Abuse of CPT Descriptors Related to Surgery	Referred.	A Board of Trustees Report on this subject will be prepared for consideration by the House of Delegates at the 2013 Interim Meeting.
RES 801-I-12	Prescription Refill Schedules	Adopted.	Our AMA sent letters to Blue Cross Blue Shield Association (BCBSA), America's Health Insurance Plans (AHIP), American Association of Preferred Provider Organizations (AAPPO), and Pharmaceutical Research and Manufacturers of America (PhRMA) notifying them of and asking them to inform their member companies of this House action.
RES 802-I-12	Use of Integrated Electronic Patient Care Reports for Prehospital Providers	Referred.	A Council on Medical Service Report on this subject will be prepared for consideration by the House of Delegates at the 2013 Interim Meeting.
RES 803-I-12	Billing Codes for Filling Out Forms	Adopted.	Our AMA has consistently advocated for physicians to be compensated for all the work they do including completing forms mandated by insurers for the purposes of documenting worker's compensation to completing forms required by payers like Medicare to justify medical necessity for home health and durable medical equipment. While we have been successful in getting Medicare to pay for some of these activities, we continue to press for additional payments for more forms. Our AMA also sent letters to Blue Cross Blue Shield Association (BCBSA), America's Health Insurance Plans (AHIP), and American Association of Preferred Provider Organizations (AAPPO) notifying them of and asking them to inform their member companies of this House action.
RES 804-I-12	Security of Telemedicine Communication	Adopted.	Board of Trustees Report 26 on this subject appears in the Delegates Handbook for the 2013 Annual Meeting. (Reference Committee G)
RES 805-I-12	Telemedicine	Policies H-480.947, H-480.969, H-480.961, and H-390.859 Reaffirmed in Lieu of Resolution 805.	AMA Policy Database Updated.
RES 806-I-12	Pay for Consultation Via Telephone and Electronic Communications	Policies H-390.859 and H-480.961 Reaffirmed in Lieu of Resolution 806.	AMA Policy Database Updated.

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RES 807-I-12	Transparent Development of Clinical Coverage Protocols by Private Carriers and Benefit Management Plans	Substitute Resolution 807 Adopted as Amended with Change in Title.	<p>The HOD action was incorporated into Draft Benefit Manager Guidelines that are being reviewed by specialty organizations. The guidelines will be shared with insurers and benefit management companies to raise awareness of the issues and seek change in policies. In addition, our AMA sent letters to Blue Cross Blue Shield Association (BCBSA), America's Health Insurance Plans (AHIP), and American Association of Preferred Provider Organizations (AAPPO) notifying them of and asking them to inform their member companies of this House action.</p> <p>Our AMA also notified the Federation about new AMA policy to advocate that when private insurance plans and benefit management companies make changes to or revise clinical coverage protocols, said companies must inform all insured individuals and participating providers in writing no less than 90 days prior to said change(s) going into effect, and our willingness to assist all state and specialty societies in furthering this policy.</p>
RES 808-I-12	Surveying Actual Costs of Medical Practice	Current Policy Reaffirmed.	AMA Policy Database Updated.
RES 809-I-12	Medicaid Expansion	Adopted as Amended.	At the invitation of the state medical societies, our AMA has been providing resources to state and specialty medical societies to encourage the expansion of Medicaid coverage. In addition, in an ongoing basis, our AMA works with CMS, as well as state and specialty societies, to address issues surrounding Medicaid expansion. We are striving to increase the payments to physicians while reducing the administrative burden.
RES 810-I-12	Medicare Quality and Resource Use Reports	Adopted as Amended.	Our AMA has continued to work with CMS to improve the design, content and performance indicators included in QRURs for physicians. Based on recommendations of an AMA-convened work group, CMS modified some of the explanatory information in the QRURs and has indicated a willingness to make further modifications that will follow AMA-developed standards for physician profile reports. Our AMA has repeatedly advocated for delay or repeal of the value-based modifier, most recently in comments to two Congressional Committees developing legislation to repeal and replace the SGR.
RES 811-I-12	Administrative Simplification	Adopted as Amended.	AMA notified the Federation about new AMA policy to support state and specialty society initiatives to simplify administrative functions and our willingness to assist all state and specialty societies in furthering this policy. Significant resources exist on the AMA website toward this goal.

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RES 812-I-12	Shared Decision Making Resource Centers	Adopted as Amended.	No funding has been appropriated to support Shared Decision Making Resource Centers. Since this program was authorized by the ACA, Congress has been unable to pass any legislation to fund discretionary programs created by the ACA.
RES 813-I-12	Hospital Based Physicians and the Value Based Payment Modifier	Referred.	A Council on Medical Service Report on this subject will be prepared for consideration by the House of Delegates at the 2013 Interim Meeting.
RES 814-I-12	Designation of Electrodiagnosis / Other Services as Separate Category in Provider Networks	Adopted as Amended.	Our AMA sent letters to Blue Cross Blue Shield Association (BCBSA), America's Health Insurance Plans (AHIP) and American Association of Preferred Provider Organizations (AAPPO) notifying them of and asking them to inform their member companies of this House action.
RES 815-I-12	Evidence-Based Utilization of Services	Adopted.	Promoted Choosing Wisely website in March 7 Federation News and in the April 17 issue of AMA Wire. The site has evidence-based recommendations about commonly ordered tests and treatments.  AMA Policy Database Updated.
RES 816-I-12	Swipe Cards for Insurance Eligibility Determination and Payment	Policy D-185.999 Reaffirmed in Lieu of Resolution 816.	AMA Policy Database Updated.
RES 817-I-12	Physician Signatures Attesting to Cause and Manner of Death on Death Certificates	Not Adopted.	
RES 818-I-12	Medical Staff Bylaws as Binding Contracts	Substitute Resolution 818 Adopted in Lieu of RES 818 and 821.	Our AMA notified the Federation about new AMA policy to actively pursue the enactment of legislation and/or regulation that will recognize medical staff bylaws as a binding contract, not subject to unilateral amendment, between the organized medical staff and the governing board of a hospital or health care delivery system and its willingness to assist all state and specialty societies in furthering this policy at the state level.  AMA Policy Database Updated.
RES 819-I-12	Responsibility for Transparency	Adopted as Amended.	Our AMA notified the Federation about new AMA policy to actively oppose any legislation and/or regulation that deems the physician the responsible party to inform patients of their anticipated health care costs where the practitioner does not set reimbursement rates and its willingness to assist all state and specialty societies in furthering this policy at the state level.
RES 820-I-12	Opposing Assigning Dual-Eligible Patients into Mandatory Managed Care	Substitute Resolution 820 Adopted.	Our AMA has sent a letter to and met with the CMS administration on these issues. We continue to monitor these programs and to highlight concerns to CMS.

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RES 821-I-12	Medical Staff Autonomy to Assure Quality Care	Substitute Resolution 818 Adopted in Lieu of RES 818 and 821.	See RES 818-I-12.
RES 822-I-12	AMA/Specialty Society Relative Value Scale Update Committee Recommendations	Substitute Resolution 822 Adopted as Amended.	Our AMA routinely submits comments to CMS opposing relative value unit cuts in excess of those recommended by the RUC. For example, AMA comments on the proposed 2013 payment rule objected to five categories of relative value cuts contemplated by CMS. In addition, physician leaders from the RUC and CPT have met several times with top level CMS staff to object to the agency's tendency to make cuts that have not been fully discussed with the RUC and specialty societies prior to rulemaking.
RES 901-I-12	Comprehensive Evidence-Based Drug Treatment in Prisons	Current Policy Reaffirmed.	AMA Policy Database Updated.
RES 902-I-12	Eliminating Legacy Admissions	Not Adopted.	
RES 903-I-12	Expanding Clerkship Site Access to Include US Medical Schools Undergoing Accreditation	Adopted as Amended.	A Council on Medical Education Report on the subject will be prepared for consideration by the House of Delegates at the 2013 Interim Meeting.  AMA Policy Database Updated.
RES 904-I-12	Improved Prescription Container Labeling	Substitute Resolution 904 Adopted with Change in Title.	Staff communicated the new AMA policy and position to the United States Pharmacopeia convention and to government affairs staff within the National Association of Boards of Pharmacy.
RES 905-I-12	Inclusion of Folic Acid Supplements in Nutritional Assistance Programs	Referred.	A Council on Science and Public Health Report on this subject will be prepared for consideration by the House of Delegates at the 2013 Interim Meeting.
RES 906-I-12	Increased Advocacy for Hepatitis C Virus Education, Prevention, Screening, and Treatment	Adopted as Amended.	AMA Policy Database Updated.
RES 907-I-12	Psychiatric Diseases Among Ethnic-Minority and Immigrant Populations	Adopted as Amended.	AMA Policy Database Updated.
RES 908-I-12	Increasing the School Nurse to Student Ratio	Policy H-60.991 Reaffirmed in Lieu of Resolution 908.	AMA Policy Database Updated.



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RES 909-I-12	Harm Reduction Strategies for Patients at Risk of Opioid Overdose	Adopted as Amended.	Our AMA has engaged in several efforts to encourage the continued study and implementation of community-based naloxone treatments including meetings with the Harm Reduction Coalition (HRC), and raising the issue with national Governor's Association (NGA), both at the internal staff level and at national meetings. Our AMA also provided direct legislative support in NJ, CO, OK, raised the issue with the National Council of State Legislatures, and supported related activities being carried out by the Association of State and Territorial Health Officials. Finally, our AMA was a signatory to a letter to the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services offering to partner in a "coordinated effort focused on the prevention of overdose fatalities."
RES 910-I-12	Public Service Announcements to Educate Children and Adults to Never to Use Medications Prescribed to Other Individuals	Adopted as Amended.	Promoted National Prescription Drug Take-Back Day (April 27) in the April 24 issue of AMA Wire. We included reminders about educating and counseling patients about the dangers of prescription drug diversion.
RES 911-I-12	Expansion of the National Diabetes Prevention Program	Substitute Resolution 911 Adopted with Change in Title.	AMA Policy Database Updated.
RES 912-I-12	Cold Turkey Smoking Cessation	Policy H-490.917 Reaffirmed in Lieu of Resolution 912.	AMA Policy Database Updated.
RES 914-I-12	Pediatric Workforce Shortages	Current Policy Reaffirmed.	The House action was transmitted to each medical school, residency program director, directors of medical education at U.S. teaching hospitals and other interested groups via the MedEd Update.  AMA Policy Database Updated.
RES 916-I-12	Mandatory Immunizations for Long-Term Care Workers	Adopted.	AMA Policy Database Updated.
RES 917-I-12	Accreditation/Certification Cost and Convenience	Referred.	Council on Medical Education Report 4 on this subject appears in the Delegates Handbook for the 2013 Annual Meeting. (Reference Committee C)
RES 919-I-12	Electronic Cigarettes	Current Policy Reaffirmed.	AMA Policy Database Updated.
RES 920-I-12	ACGME Residency Program Entry Requirements	Adopted.	The American Osteopathic Association and Accreditation Council for Graduate Medical Education were notified of the House action. The House action also was transmitted to each medical school, residency program director, directors of medical education at U.S. teaching hospitals and other interested groups via the MedEd Update.  AMA Policy Database Updated.

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RES 921-I-12	Shortage of Residency Training Positions	Policies D-305.958 and D-305.973 Reaffirmed in Lieu of Resolution 921.	AMA Policy Database Updated.
RES 922-I-12	Support for Breast Reconstruction Initiatives	Substitute Resolution 922 Adopted with Change in Title.	AMA Policy Database Updated.
RES 923-I-12	Ensuring the Safe and Appropriate Use of Compounded Medications	Substitute Resolution 923 Adopted with Change in Title.	A Board of Trustees Report on this subject will be prepared for consideration by the House of Delegates at the 2013 Interim Meeting.
RES 926-I-12	Preservation of Residency Training Positions	Adopted as Amended.	The American Osteopathic Association and Accreditation Council for Graduate Medical Education were notified of the House action. The House action also was transmitted to each medical school, residency program director, directors of medical education at U.S. teaching hospitals and other interested groups via the MedEd Update.  AMA Policy Database Updated.