



Young Physicians Section Delegate's Report from the 2017 Annual Meeting

The Young Physicians Section (YPS) of the AMA was an active and integral part of the AMA House of Delegates (HOD) meeting in Chicago. Preliminary handbook review committee recommendations were made available to members of the YPS assembly prior to the meeting. Our in-person debate on these issues is important to developing the YPS position on each resolution and report. YPS members then offered testimony authored by your delegate and alternate delegate in all of the HOD reference committees based on the Assembly's direction. Our team approach allows more young physicians to speak on behalf of the YPS in front of the reference committees, and it enables our members to bring YPS issues to their state and specialty caucuses. An action document with talking points for all YPS active positions was created for members to use throughout the meeting. Without the assistance of members of our Assembly, your delegate and alternate delegate would not only have been unable to speak to all of these items, but would have been far less effective at building consensus between caucuses on our key issues. Thank you to all who participated, we simply could not do it without you.

In our YPS Reference Committee, four resolutions were considered:

YPS Resolution 1: Consideration of the Health and Welfare of U.S. Minor Children in Deportation Proceedings Against Their Undocumented Parents

RESOLVED, that our AMA support that the mental health, physical well-being, and welfare of U.S. citizen minors should be taken into consideration in determining whether undocumented parents of U.S. citizen minors may be detained or deported (Directive to Take Action); and be it further

RESOLVED, That our AMA work with local and state medical societies and other relevant stakeholders to address the importance of considering the health and welfare of U.S. citizen minors in cases where the parents of those minors are in danger of detention or deportation (Directive to Take Action)

RESOLVED, That this resolution be forwarded for immediate consideration at the 2017 Annual Meeting of the AMA House of Delegates. (Directive to Take Action).

YPS Resolution 2: Supporting International Medical Graduates and Students

Resolution 2 asked the AMA to oppose laws and regulations that would broadly deny entry or re-entry to the U.S. by persons based on their country of origin and/or religion who currently have legal visas, including permanent resident status and student visas. This resolution also asked the AMA to oppose policies that would broadly deny issuance of legal visas to persons based on their country of origin and/or religion.

Further, this resolution requested immediate consideration at the 2017 Annual Meeting of the AMA HOD. This resolution was considered as Resolution 326. It was considered along with multiple similar resolutions (308, 311, 312, 317, 321, 325, and 326). The following resolution adopted in lieu of the aforementioned resolutions:

IMPACT OF IMMIGRATION BARRIERS ON THE NATION'S HEALTH

RESOLVED, That our American Medical Association (AMA) recognize the valuable contributions and affirm our support of international medical students and international medical graduates and their participation in U.S. medical schools, residency and fellowship training programs and in the practice of medicine (New HOD Policy); and be it further

RESOLVED, That our AMA oppose laws and regulations that would broadly deny entry or re-entry to the United States of persons who currently have legal visas, including permanent resident status (green card) and student visas, based on their country of origin and/or religion (New HOD Policy); and be it further

RESOLVED, That our AMA oppose policies that would broadly deny issuance of legal visas to persons based on their country of origin and/or religion (New HOD Policy); and be it further

RESOLVED, That our AMA advocate for the immediate reinstatement of premium processing of H-1B visas for physicians and trainees to prevent any negative impact on patient care (Directive to Take Action); and be it further

RESOLVED, That our AMA advocate for the timely processing of visas for all physicians, including residents, fellows, and physicians in independent practice (New HOD Policy); and be it further

RESOLVED, That our AMA work with other stakeholders to study the current impact of immigration reform efforts on residency and fellowship programs, physician supply, and timely access of patients to health care throughout the U.S. (Directive to Take Action); and be it further

RESOLVED, That our AMA update the House of Delegates by the 2017 Interim Meeting on the impact of immigration barriers on the physician workforce. (Directive to Take Action)

YPS Resolution 3: Sale of Health Insurance across State Lines

Resolution 3 asked the AMA to oppose federal and state legislative proposals that would permit the sale of health insurance products in a state that does not comply with that State's law and regulations.

YPS Resolution 3 was not adopted. An identical item of business – Resolution 211, Sale of Health Insurance across State Lines – was considered at the 2017 Annual Meeting. The YPS Assembly agreed to provide active support for Resolution 211.

Emergency Resolution 1: Protecting Patients' Access to Emergency Services

RESOLVED, That the AMA should work with state insurance regulators, insurance companies and other stakeholders to immediately take action to halt the implementation of policies that violate the “prudent layperson” standard of determining when to seek emergency care, and be it further

RESOLVED, That the YPS forward this emergency resolution for consideration before the AMA HOD at A-17.

This resolution requested immediate consideration at the 2017 Annual Meeting of the AMA HOD. This resolution was considered as Resolution 128, which was subsequently adopted.

As directed by the YPS Assembly, the section also testified on the following items of business. The YPS position is listed parenthetically and the final House action in bold.

Reference Committee on Constitution and Bylaws

- Resolution 002: Care of Women and Children in Family Immigration Detention (Active Support, **Adopted as Amended**)
- Resolution 008: Promoting the Use of Appropriate LGBTQIA Language in Medical Documentation (Active Support, **Policy H-315.967 be reaffirmed in lieu of Resolution 008**)
- Resolution 010: Access to Basic Human Services for Transgender Individuals (Active Support, **Adopted**)
- Resolution 012: Promoting the AMA Model Medical Staff Code of Conduct and its Application to Employed Physicians (Active Support, **Adopted as Amended**)
- Resolution 013: Gender Identity Inclusion and Accountability in REMS (Active Support, **Adopted**)
- Resolution 016: Consideration of the Health and Welfare of U.S. Minor Children in Deportation Proceedings Against Their Undocumented Parents (Active Support, **Adopted**)

Reference Committee A: Medical Service

- CMS Report 9: Capping Federal Medicaid Funding (Active Oppose, **Recommendations A and C adopted as new HOD Policy, with the adopted title change applicable to the categorization and inclusion of these policies in PolicyFinder. Recommendation 1 in Council on Medical Service Report 9 referred. The body of Council on Medical Service Report 9 referred. The title of Council on Medical Service Report 9 has been changed to read as follows: “Federal Medicaid Funding”**)

- Resolution 101: Eliminating Financial Barriers for Evidence-Based HIV Pre-Exposure Prophylaxis (Active Support, **Resolution 101 adopted as amended with a change in title to read as follows: “Eliminating Barriers For Evidence-Based HIV Pre-Exposure Prophylaxis”**)
- Resolution 110: Over-the-Counter Contraceptive Drug Access (Active Support with Amendment, **Referred**)
- Resolution 113: The AMA Will Support Payment Parity at Medicare Levels for All Medicaid Service (Active Support, **Existing Policy Reaffirmed**)
- Resolution 115: Out-of-Network Care (Active Support, **Substitute Resolution adopted in lieu of Resolutions 108, 115, 118 and 127**)
- Resolution 128: Protecting Patients' Access to Emergency Services (Active Support, **Adopted**)

Reference Committee B: Legislation

- BOT Report 22: Council on Legislation Sunset Review of 2007 House Policies (Active Support with Amendment, **Adopted as Amended**)
- Resolution 211/240: Sale of Health Insurance Across State Lines (Active Support with Amendment, **Substitute Resolution adopted in lieu of Resolutions 211 and 240**)
- Resolution 215: Revisiting Exemptions for Reporting Peer-Reviewed Journal Articles and Medical Textbooks per the Sunshine Act (Active Support, **Policy D-140.958 reaffirmed in lieu of Resolution 215**)
- Resolution 218: Licensing of Electronic Health Records (Active Support with Amendment, **Referred**)
- Resolution 222: Response to Burdensome Governmental Mandate (Active Support with Amendment, **Substitute Resolution adopted in lieu of Resolutions 206, 209, and 222**)
- Resolution 225: Truth in Advertising (Active Oppose, **Policy H-405.969 reaffirmed in lieu of Resolution 225**)
- Resolution 233: Regulation of Physician Assistants (Active Support, **Resolution 233 adopted. Amendment B-3 referred for decision**)
- Resolution 234: Protections for Patients with Genetic Conditions (Active Support with Amendment, **Existing Policy Reaffirmed**)
- Late Resolution 1001: Barriers to Price Transparency (Active Support, **Not Accepted as Business**)

Reference Committee C: Medical Education

- Resolution 301: Mental Health Disclosures on Physician Licensing Applications (Active Support with Amendment, **Recommendation B Referred, and the remainder of Resolution 301 adopted as amended**)
- Resolution 305: Reduction of Caregiver Burnout (Active Support with Amendment, **Adopted as Amended**)
- Resolution 310: Breast Pump Accommodations During Medical Licensing Exams (Active Support with Amendment, **Policy H-295.861 adopted as amended in lieu of Resolution 310**)
- Resolution 312/326: Supporting International Medical Graduates and Students (Active Support, **Substitute Resolution adopted in lieu of Resolutions 308, 311, 312, 317, 321, 325, and 326**)
- Resolution 324: Improve HRSA Projections of the Physician Workforce (Active Support, **Adopted as Amended**)

Reference Committee D: Public Health

- Resolution 404: Support for Standardized Diagnosis and Treatment of Hepatitis C Virus in the Population of Incarcerated Persons (Active Support with Amendment, **Policy H-440.902 adopted as amended**)
- Resolution 411: Preserving Vaccine Policy in the United States (Active Support, **Substitute Resolution adopted in lieu of Resolutions 411 and 420**)
- Resolution 414: Imposing Taxes on Sugar-Sweetened Beverages (Active Support with Amendment, **Resolution 414 adopted as amended with a change in title to read as follows: “Supporting Taxes on Sugar-Sweetened Beverages”**)
- Resolution 416: Policy and Economic Support for Early Child Care (Active Support, **Referred**)

Reference Committee E: Science and Technology

- Resolution 503: Women and Mental Health (Active Support, **Adopted as Amended**)
- Resolution 512: Advertising Restrictions and Limited Use of Dietary Supplements (Active Support, **Existing Policy Reaffirmed**)
- Resolution 518: Recognition of Infertility as a Disease (Active Support, **Adopted as Amended**)

Reference Committee F: AMA Governance and Finance

- BOT Report 17: Equality for Future Meetings Organized or Sponsored by the AMA (Written in response to Resolution 602-I-16, introduced by the Young Physicians Section) (Active Support, **Adopted**)
- Resolution 602: Studying Healthcare Institutions that Provide Child Care Services (Active Support, **Adopted as Amended**)

Reference Committee G: Medical Practice

- Resolution 706: Concurrent and Overlapping Surgery (Active Support with Amendment, **Substitute Resolution adopted in lieu of Resolution 706**)
- Resolution 711: Expanding Access to Screening Tools for Social Determinants of Health (Active Support, **Referred with report back**)

Complete final actions on each of these can be found on the AMA HOD website at: <https://www.ama-assn.org/about-us/business-ama-house-delegates-2017-annual-meeting>. As you can see, we are very successful advocates as a section, the YPS testified on 34 items of business and the HOD was aligned with the YPS positions on almost all of the reports and resolutions. Those items of business not adopted were referred or reaffirmed.

Finally, in our YPS Reference Committee, four reports were considered:

Report A: Governing Council Activities/Action Plan Update

Report A is a compilation of activities accomplished by the AMA-YPS since the 2016 Interim Meeting. Updates on AMA-YPS objectives are organized under four main categories: focus; communications; leadership development; and membership and involvement.

Report B: State Medical Society Representation in the AMA-YPS Assembly

Report B presents AMA Bylaws language related to the apportionment of state medical society representation in the AMA-YPS. In addition, Report B includes the 2017 allocations for state medical society representatives in the AMA-YPS Assembly. Further, Report B discusses strategies for increasing representation and promoting active participation among state medical societies.

Report B includes the following recommendations:

1. The YPS Governing Council will connect with AMA members that are part of the state medical societies not represented in the AMA-YPS and encourage them to serve as a liaison to the young physicians in their society or identify someone in their society for further outreach.
2. The YPS Governing Council will continue to reach out to societies that are eligible for representation in the AMA-YPS Assembly that have not sent a representative in the past two years.
3. The YPS Governing Council will reach out to societies that are eligible for representation in the AMA-YPS Assembly that have sent less than the allotted number of representatives.
4. The YPS Governing Council will communicate with societies currently represented in the AMA-YPS Assembly to highlight the work accomplished during the Assembly meetings and facilitate dialogue about increasing representation in the AMA-YPS where appropriate.

Report C: Specialty Society Representation and Outreach

Report C presents the criteria for specialty society representation in the AMA-YPS Assembly, gives an update on the level of specialty society representation, and discusses strategies to gain new specialty society representation.

Report C includes the following recommendations:

1. The YPS Governing Council will continue to engage with AMA members that are part of specialty societies not represented in the AMA-YPS and encourage them to serve as a liaison to the young physicians in their society or identify someone in their society for further outreach.
2. The YPS Governing Council will continue to connect with societies that are eligible for representation in the AMA-YPS Assembly that have not sent a representative in the past two years.
3. The YPS Governing Council will continue to reach out to societies that are eligible for representation in the AMA-YPS Assembly that have sent less than the allotted number of representatives.
4. The YPS Governing Council will communicate with societies currently represented in the AMA-YPS Assembly to share highlights from the work accomplished during the Assembly meetings and facilitate dialogue about increasing representation in the AMA-YPS where appropriate.

Report D: AMA-YPS Finance Report

Report D is an informational report on the AMA-YPS budget and finances.

For future meetings, we would like to personally encourage everyone to stay for as much of the HOD meeting as possible. Your testimony and influence in your states, specialty societies, caucuses, sections, and councils are an essential part of achieving our objectives in the HOD, multiplying the voice of young physicians in our AMA. By staying for the HOD, you play an integral part in making sure young physicians' needs are heard and considered in every decision the AMA makes. Please share this report with the YPS members of your state and specialty societies to let them know what we are doing at the AMA.

In addition, we would like to thank everyone for participating in the HOD handbook review process, particularly if you volunteered for a handbook review committee. This important process lays the groundwork for our positions and makes sure that every issue is looked at for YPS relevance. We hope that everyone will consider volunteering some of your valuable time to this YPS function. Our positions as a Section are a significant part of ensuring that AMA policy remains relevant for young physicians. If you have any questions on the actions of the YPS or would like to become more involved in the YPS policy process, please do not hesitate to contact us at hilaryfair@gmail.com or Kavita.Shah.Arora@gmail.com to find out more.

Hilary Fairbrother, MD, MPH
AMA-YPS Delegate

Kavita Arora, MD, MBE
AMA-YPS Alternate Delegate

AMA-YPS FINAL ACTIONS

The following items were debated at the 2017 Annual Assembly Meeting. The chart below presents the AMA-YPS final actions as well as follow-up actions. These items will remain as directives to the AMA-YPS Governing Council until it determines that the action requested has been completed.

Resolution/Report	AMA-YPS action	Follow-up action
Report A: Governing Council Activities/Action Plan Update	<p>Filed</p> <p>Report A is a compilation of activities accomplished by the AMA-YPS since the 2016 Interim Meeting. Updates on AMA-YPS objectives are organized under four main categories: focus; communications; leadership development; and membership and involvement.</p>	---
Report B: State Medical Society Representation in the AMA-YPS Assembly	<p>Adopted</p> <p>Report B discusses strategies for increasing representation and promoting active participation among state medical societies.</p> <p>Report B includes the following recommendations:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. The YPS Governing Council will connect with AMA members that are part of the state medical societies not represented in the AMA-YPS and encourage them to serve as a liaison to the young physicians in their society or identify someone in their society for further outreach. 2. The YPS Governing Council will continue to reach out to societies that are eligible for representation in the AMA-YPS Assembly that have not sent a representative in the past two years. 3. The YPS Governing Council will reach out to societies that are eligible for representation in the AMA-YPS Assembly that have sent less than the allotted number of representatives. 	This is an ongoing effort and the Governing Council will report developments as appropriate.

	<p>4. The YPS Governing Council will communicate with societies currently represented in the AMA-YPS Assembly to highlight the work accomplished during the Assembly meetings and facilitate dialogue about increasing representation in the AMA-YPS where appropriate.</p>	
<p>Report C: Specialty Society Representation and Outreach</p>	<p>Adopted</p> <p>Report C presents the criteria for specialty society representation in the AMA-YPS Assembly, gives an update on the level of specialty society representation, and discusses strategies to gain new specialty society representation.</p> <p>Report C includes the following recommendations:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. The YPS Governing Council will continue to engage with AMA members that are part of specialty societies not represented in the AMA-YPS and encourage them to serve as a liaison to the young physicians in their society or identify someone in their society for further outreach. 2. The YPS Governing Council will continue to connect with societies that are eligible for representation in the AMA-YPS Assembly that have not sent a representative in the past two years. 3. The YPS Governing Council will continue to reach out to societies that are eligible for representation in the AMA-YPS Assembly that have sent less than the allotted number of representatives. 4. The YPS Governing Council will communicate with societies currently represented in the AMA-YPS Assembly to share highlights from the work accomplished during the Assembly meetings and facilitate dialogue about increasing representation in the AMA-YPS where appropriate. 	<p>This is an ongoing effort and the Governing Council will report developments as appropriate.</p>

Report D: AMA-YPS Finance Report	<p>Filed</p> <p>Report D is an informational report on the AMA-YPS budget and finances.</p>	--
YPS Resolution 1: Consideration of the Health and Welfare of U.S. Minor Children in Deportation Proceedings Against Their Undocumented Parents	<p>Adopted as Amended</p> <p>Resolution 1 asked the AMA to take steps to ensure the health and well-being of U.S. minor children is being considered during impending deportation proceedings against their parents. Further, this resolution requested immediate consideration at the 2017 Annual Meeting of the AMA HOD.</p>	Forwarded to the AMA House of Delegates for consideration at the 2017 Annual Meeting. This resolution was considered as Resolution 016, which was subsequently adopted.
YPS Resolution 2: Supporting International Medical Graduates and Students	<p>Adopted as Amended</p> <p>Resolution 2 asked the AMA to oppose laws and regulations that would broadly deny entry or re-entry to the U.S. by persons based on their country of origin and/or religion who currently have legal visas, including permanent resident status and student visas. This resolution also asked the AMA to oppose policies that would broadly deny issuance of legal visas to persons based on their country of origin and/or religion.</p> <p>Further, this resolution requested immediate consideration at the 2017 Annual Meeting of the AMA HOD.</p>	<p>Forwarded to the AMA House of Delegates for consideration at the 2017 Annual Meeting. This resolution was considered as Resolution 326. It was considered along with multiple similar resolutions (308, 311, 312, 317, 321, 325, and 326). The following resolution adopted in lieu of the aforementioned resolutions:</p> <p>IMPACT OF IMMIGRATION BARRIERS ON THE NATION'S HEALTH</p> <p>RESOLVED, That our American Medical Association (AMA) recognize the valuable contributions and affirm our support of international medical students and international medical graduates and their participation in U.S. medical schools, residency and fellowship training programs and in the practice of medicine (New HOD Policy); and be it further</p> <p>RESOLVED, That our AMA oppose laws and regulations that would broadly deny entry or re-entry to the United States of persons who currently have legal visas, including permanent resident status (green card) and student visas, based on their</p>

		<p>country of origin and/or religion (New HOD Policy); and be it further</p> <p>RESOLVED, That our AMA oppose policies that would broadly deny issuance of legal visas to persons based on their country of origin and/or religion (New HOD Policy); and be it further</p> <p>RESOLVED, That our AMA advocate for the immediate reinstatement of premium processing of H-1B visas for physicians and trainees to prevent any negative impact on patient care (Directive to Take Action); and be it further</p> <p>RESOLVED, That our AMA advocate for the timely processing of visas for all physicians, including residents, fellows, and physicians in independent practice (New HOD Policy); and be it further</p> <p>RESOLVED, That our AMA work with other stakeholders to study the current impact of immigration reform efforts on residency and fellowship programs, physician supply, and timely access of patients to health care throughout the U.S. (Directive to Take Action); and be it further</p> <p>RESOLVED, That our AMA update the House of Delegates by the 2017 Interim Meeting on the impact of immigration barriers on the physician workforce. (Directive to Take Action)</p>
--	--	--

<p>YPS Resolution 3: Sale of Health Insurance across State Lines</p>	<p>Not Adopted</p> <p>Resolution 3 asked the AMA to oppose federal and state legislative proposals that would permit the sale of health insurance products in a state that does not comply with that State's law and regulations.</p>	<p>An identical item of business – Resolution 211, Sale of Health Insurance across State Lines – was considered at the 2017 Annual Meeting. The YPS Assembly agreed to provide active support for Resolution 211.</p> <p>A substitute resolution was adopted in lieu of Resolutions 211 and 240.</p>
<p>Emergency Resolution 1: Protecting Patients' Access to Emergency Services</p>	<p>Adopted</p> <p>Emergency Resolution 1 asked the AMA to work with state insurance regulators, insurance companies and other stakeholders to immediately take action to halt the implementation of policies that violate the “prudent layperson” standard of determining when to seek emergency care.</p> <p>Further, this resolution requested immediate consideration at the 2017 Annual Meeting of the AMA HOD.</p>	<p>Forwarded to the AMA House of Delegates for consideration at the 2017 Annual Meeting. This resolution was considered as Resolution 128, which was subsequently adopted.</p>

RETAINED DIRECTIVES FROM PAST AMA-YPS MEETINGS

RETAINED AMA-YPS DIRECTIVE	PAST/FUTURE ACTIONS
<p>Financial Counseling and Assistance for Young Physicians</p> <p>Makes the following recommendations: (4) continued exploration of services and products that AMA could initiate for the benefit of young physicians; and (5) working with RFS to ensure information is available to them in the time between residency and practice establishment. (GC Report, I-87; Recommendations #1-3 were rescinded at I-97, #4-5 were reaffirmed at I-97)</p>	<p>This is an ongoing initiative.</p> <p>The AMA-YPS convened a seminar on financial counseling at the 2005 Annual assembly meeting.</p> <p>At the 2010 annual assembly meeting, <i>An Introduction to Building and Managing Your Financial Profile</i> was presented by Judy Jennings from Matsco, Wells Fargo's Practice Finance Group.</p> <p>The AMA-YPS governing council will continue to explore, propose and promote financial-related AMA products and services.</p> <p>In June 2016, the AMA-YPS hosted a pilot event, "Strategies for financial wellness: A roadmap for physicians," in Chicago.</p>
<p>AMA-YPS Governing Council Activities</p> <p>Asks that the AMA-YPS issue and widely disseminate on at least a quarterly basis an Activities Report via listserv, fax and/or print to Assembly members, other young physician members, and Federation staff, in addition to its twice-yearly informational report to the Assembly. This report will highlight various activities of the AMA-YPS in the following areas: representation/advocacy, enhanced membership value and communications, and leadership development. (GC Report, I-99)</p>	<p>The Governing Council issues biannual activities reports and will continue to do so. Information on AMA-YPS activities is also disseminated via AMA electronic newsletters and the Web site.</p>
<p>AMA-YPS Yearly Finance Report</p> <p>Asks the YPS Governing Council to annually prepare a financial statement of the YPS annual budget accounting for all expenses greater than \$250 and to provide this breakdown of expenses to those YPS members who request it. (I-04)</p>	<p>The Governing Council issues yearly reports and will continue to do so.</p>
<p>AMA-YPS Advocacy Initiatives</p> <p>Work to increase the involvement of young physicians in national AMA-sponsored Congressional visits, advocacy events, such as fly-ins, and legislative efforts. (A-05)</p>	<p>Opportunities for young physician involvement in advocacy issues continue to be promoted via AMA electronic newsletters, special e-mails to the AMA-YPS Assembly, and the AMA-YPS Web site.</p>

RETAINED AMA-YPS DIRECTIVE	PAST/FUTURE ACTIONS
<p>AMA-YPS Advocacy Initiatives</p> <p>Revitalize the AMA-YPS Advocacy Network based on the previous design including a chair and regional directors. (A-05)</p>	<p>Ongoing</p>
<p>AMA-YPS Advocacy Initiatives</p> <p>Continue to look for new initiatives to enhance advocacy efforts within the Section and the American Medical Association. (A-05)</p>	<p>Ongoing. AMA advocacy activities are promoted via AMA electronic newsletters, the AMA-YPS listserv and the section's Web pages.</p>
<p>AMA-YPS Advocacy Initiatives</p> <p>Governing Council to report at each annual meeting a report regarding the Section's advocacy agenda. (A-05)</p>	<p>The Section's Governing Council will present this report at each Interim meeting to be consistent with the advocacy theme of the meeting.</p>
<p>AMA-YPS Advocacy Initiatives</p> <p>Continue to investigate ways to communicate electronically with AMA-YPS members that are less expensive or time-consuming than an online interactive "town hall meeting." (A-05)</p>	<p>The AMA-YPS surveyed the AMA-YPS Assembly in 2006 regarding ways to facilitate electronic communication.</p> <p>Questions regarding communications were also included in the Strategic Planning Survey conducted in 2011.</p>
<p>Strategic Planning</p> <p>At the 2016 Annual meeting, the YPS GC presented Report G (A-16), which proposed a five-year strategic plan that included updated objectives, actions and metrics for the section. The 2016-2021 AMA-YPS Strategic Plan includes the following objectives:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Focus; 2. Communications; 3. Leadership Development; and 4. Membership and Involvement. <p>This report also requested that this strategic plan be made available on the YPS webpage.</p> <p>In addition, a new strategic plan will be developed in five years with a report to the AMA-YPS Assembly. (A-16)</p>	<p>At the 2016 Annual meeting, the recommendations in Report G, which presented the YPS strategic plan for 2016-2021, were adopted by the YPS Assembly.</p> <p>Accordingly, future reports of the Governing Council Activities/Action Plan Update will reflect the objectives found in the new strategic plan. In addition, the YPS webpage will be updated to include the 2016-2021 AMA-YPS Strategic Plan.</p>
<p>AMA-YPS Strategic Plan – AMA-YPS Focus</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1) Clarify and communicate a clear membership value proposition to young physicians; 2) Raise awareness of the challenges facing young physicians in the House of Delegates (HOD) and to AMA leadership; 	<p>The Governing Council will provide updates on these initiatives on a regular basis.</p>

RETAINED AMA-YPS DIRECTIVE	PAST/FUTURE ACTIONS
<p>and</p> <p>3) Organize and lead efforts to expand involvement and representation of early career physicians within the House of Delegates and among leadership roles across the organization. (A-16)</p>	
<p>AMA-YPS Strategic Plan – AMA-YPS Communications</p> <p>1) Provide regular updates on AMA initiatives and other topics of interest to young physicians;</p> <p>2) Identify opportunities to promote dialogue among Section members and YPS Governing Council during and between meetings; and</p> <p>3) Actively engage AMA physician and staff leadership to ensure that the young physician perspective is represented in AMA communications (e.g., Advantage, Wire, Advocacy Updates) and in the AMA's social media outlets as appropriate. (A-16)</p>	<p>The Governing Council will provide updates on these initiatives on a regular basis.</p>
<p>AMA-YPS Strategic Plan – AMA-YPS Leadership Development</p> <p>1) Promote available leadership development seminars, workshops, and other relevant activities or resources to young physicians;</p> <p>2) Offer opportunities for young physician members to connect with established AMA leaders;</p> <p>3) Encourage young physicians to seek leadership positions in the AMA; and</p> <p>4) Endorse young physician candidates for AMA leadership positions. (A-16)</p>	<p>Leadership development continues to be a priority of the AMA-YPS Governing Council, and several young physicians have been elected or appointed to AMA councils.</p> <p>The Governing Council will continue to report on activities related to leadership development.</p>
<p>AMA-YPS Strategic Plan – AMA-YPS Membership and Involvement</p> <p>1) Develop relevant educational sessions and provide policy-making support before and during AMA-YPS meetings;</p> <p>2) Continue to recruit AMA-YPS members to join the AMA Outreach Program;</p> <p>3) Identify other opportunities for AMA-YPS members to work with AMA Membership to recruit young physician members</p> <p>4) Increase representation of diverse physicians in the AMA-YPS Assembly; and</p> <p>5) Support transition of late stage residents to the AMA-YPS. (A-16)</p>	<p>All Governing Council members are asked to become membership outreach recruiters.</p> <p>This is an ongoing directive and the Governing Council will report developments as appropriate.</p>

RETAINED AMA-YPS DIRECTIVE	PAST/FUTURE ACTIONS
<p>State Medical Society Representation in the AMA-YPS Assembly</p> <p>At the 2017 Annual meeting, the YPS GC presented Report B, which proposed the following recommendations to increase representation and promote active participation among state medical societies:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. The YPS Governing Council will connect with AMA members that are part of the state medical societies not represented in the AMA-YPS and encourage them to serve as a liaison to the young physicians in their society or identify someone in their society for further outreach. 2. The YPS Governing Council will continue to reach out to societies that are eligible for representation in the AMA-YPS Assembly that have not sent a representative in the past two years. 3. The YPS Governing Council will reach out to societies that are eligible for representation in the AMA-YPS Assembly that have sent less than the allotted number of representatives. 4. The YPS Governing Council will communicate with societies currently represented in the AMA-YPS Assembly to highlight the work accomplished during the Assembly meetings and facilitate dialogue about increasing representation in the AMA-YPS where appropriate. (A-17) 	<p>This is an ongoing effort and the Governing Council will report developments as appropriate.</p>
<p>Increasing Specialty Society Representation in the AMA-YPS</p> <p>At the 2017 Annual meeting, the YPS GC presented Report C, Specialty Society Representation and Outreach, which proposed the following recommendations to stimulate additional specialty society representation:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. The YPS Governing Council will continue to engage with AMA members that are part of specialty societies not represented in the AMA-YPS and encourage them to serve as a liaison to the young physicians in their society or identify someone in their society for further outreach. 	<p>This is an ongoing effort and the Governing Council will report developments as appropriate.</p>

RETAINED AMA-YPS DIRECTIVE	PAST/FUTURE ACTIONS
<p>2. The YPS Governing Council will continue to connect with societies that are eligible for representation in the AMA-YPS Assembly that have not sent a representative in the past two years.</p> <p>3. The YPS Governing Council will continue to reach out to societies that are eligible for representation in the AMA-YPS Assembly that have sent less than the allotted number of representatives.</p> <p>4. The YPS Governing Council will communicate with societies currently represented in the AMA-YPS Assembly to share highlights from the work accomplished during the Assembly meetings and facilitate dialogue about increasing representation in the AMA-YPS where appropriate. (A-17)</p>	