Aging

Health Care for Older Patients H-25.999

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The AMA: (1) endorses and encourages further experimentation and application of home-centered programs of care for older patients and recommends further application of other new experiments in providing better health care, such as rehabilitation education services in nursing homes, chronic illness referral centers, and progressive patient care in hospitals;

(2) recommends that there be increased emphasis at all levels of medical education on the new challenges being presented to physicians in health care of the older person, on the growing opportunities for effective use of health maintenance programs and restorative services with this age group, and on the importance of a total view of health, embracing social, psychological, economic, and vocational aspects;

(3) encourages continued leadership and participation by the medical profession in community programs for seniors; and

(4) will explore and advocate for policies that best improve access to, and the availability of, high quality geriatric care for older adults in the post-acute and long term care continuum.

Policy Timeline

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Committee on Aging Report A-88
Reaffirmed: Sunset Report A-08
Reaffirmed: CSAPH Rep. 2 A-11
Reaffirmation A-13
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