

Annual Meeting 2019:

Academic Physicians Section recommendations and final AMA HOD actions

June 20, 2019

#	Item	Title, notes	APS action	HOD action	APS notes and proposed language
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Reference Committee B

1.	Res 214	The Term Physician	Amend	Alternate resolution adopted in lieu of	Amend as follows: RESOLVED, That our American Medical Association seek the passage of federal regulation and/or legislation that mandates that the term physician be limited to those people trained in accordance with Accreditation Council for Graduate Medical Education guidelines and who have an MD, DO or a recognized equivalent physician degree and that the term not be used by any other organization or person involved in healthcare.
2.	Res 225	DACA in GME	Adopt	Reaffirmed in lieu of	On the reaffirmation consent calendar
3.	Res 233	GME Cap Flexibility	Amend	Policy D-305.967 adopted as amended in lieu of	Adopt as amended through deletion of second resolve: "RESOLVED, That our AMA advocate for CMS to provide funding to hospitals and/or universities prior to the arrival of any residents, removing the clause where "Medicare funding does not begin until the first resident is 'on duty' at the hospital. (Directive to Take Action)"

Reference Committee C

4.	BOT 25	All Payer Graduate Medical Education Funding	Adopt	Adopted	
5.	CME 1	Council on Medical Education Sunset Review of 2009 House of Delegates' Policies	Adopt	Adopted	
6.	CME 2	An Update on Maintenance of Certification and Osteopathic Continuous Certification (Resolution 316-A-18)	Adopt	Adopted	
7.	CME 3	Standardizing the Residency Match System and Timeline (CME Report 6-A-17)	Adopt	Adopted as amended	
8.	CME 4	Augmented Intelligence in Medical Education (Resolution 317-A-18)	Adopt	Adopted as amended	
9.	CME 6	Study of Medical Student, Resident, and Physician Suicide (Resolution 959-I-18)	Adopt	Adopted as amended	Adopted as amended in lieu of Resolutions 307 and 310.
10.	CME/ CSA PH 1	Protecting Medical Trainees from Hazardous Exposure (Resolution 301-A-18)	Adopt	Adopted as amended	
11.	Res 301	American Board of Medical Specialties Advertising	Not adopt	Referred	

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12	Res 302	The Climate Change Lecture for US Medical Schools	Amend	Alternate resolution adopted in lieu of	<p>Agree with Council on Medical Education edits, to amend through deletion of Resolve clauses 1, 2, 3, 5, and 6 and editing of Resolve 4, as follows:</p> <p>RESOLVED, That our AMA prepare <u>make available</u> a prototype PowerPoint slide presentation and lecture notes for "The Climate Change Lecture" <u>on the intersection of climate change and health for use which could be used by medical schools, or schools may create their own lecture, video or online course to fulfill the requirements of "The Climate Change Lecture"</u></p>
13	Res 303	Graduate Medical Education and the Corporate Practice of Medicine	Amend	Adopted as amended	<p>Amend Resolve 1, to include the ACGME, and delete Resolve 2, as ACGME policy is already clear on this issue.</p> <p>RESOLVED, That our American Medical Association recognize and support <u>the requirement by the Accreditation Council for Graduate Medical Education</u> that the environment for education of residents and fellows must be free of the conflict of interest created between corporate-owned lay entities' fiduciary responsibility to shareholders and the educational mission of residency or fellowship training programs (New HOD Policy); and be it further,</p> <p>RESOLVED, That our AMA support that the Accreditation Council for Graduate Medical Education require that graduate medical education programs must be established in compliance with all state laws, including prohibitions on the corporate practice of medicine, as a condition of accreditation. (New HOD Policy)</p>
14	Res 304	Tracking Outcomes and Supporting Best Practices of Health Care Career Pipeline Programs	Adopt	Adopted as amended	
15	Res 305	Lack of Support for Maintenance of Certification	Refer	Reaffirmed in lieu of	On reaffirmation consent calendar.
16	Res 306	Interest Rates and Medical Education	Adopt	Reaffirmed in lieu of	On reaffirmation consent calendar.
17	Res 307	Mental Health Services for Medical Students	Not adopt	CME Report 6 adopted as amended in lieu of	Medical student mental health is important, but asking that medical schools "provide confidential in-house mental health services at no cost to students" is a potential fiscal issue for institutions, and there is already sufficient attention to this issue, via the LCME. In addition, CME Report 6 covers much of this issue, in greater detail.
18	Res 308	Maintenance of Certification Moratorium	Refer	Referred	
19	Res 309	Promoting Addiction Medicine During a Time of Crisis	Not adopt	Reaffirmed in lieu of	<p>On reaffirmation consent calendar.</p> <p>Opposed, as this is a curricular mandate.</p>
20	Res 310	Mental Health Care for Medical Students	Not adopt	CME Report 6 adopted as amended in lieu of	In favor of the concept, but not this resolution, as it is very prescriptive and overly burdensome. In addition, as noted above for Resolution 307, CME Report 6 covers much of this issue, in greater detail.

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21	Res 311	Grandfathering Qualified Applicants Practicing in U.S. Institutions with Restricted Medical Licensure	No position	Referred	
22	Res 312	Unmatched Medical Graduates to Address the Shortage of Primary Care Physicians	Not adopt	Not adopted	This raises concerns about the quality of care delivered by these individuals.
23	Res 313	Clinical Applications of Pathology and Laboratory Medicine for Medical Students, Residents and Fellows	Not adopt; curricular mandate.	Adopted as amended	
24	Res 314	Evaluation of Changes to Residency and Fellowship Application and Matching Processes	Adopt	Adopted as amended	
25	Res 315	Scholarly Activity by Resident and Fellow Physicians	Adopt	Adopted as amended	
26	Res 316	Medical Student Debt	Reaffirm	Adopted as amended	In lieu this resolution, reaffirm Policy H-200.949 , ""Principles of and Actions to Address Primary Care Workforce.""
27	Res 317	A Study to Evaluate Barriers to Medical Education for Trainees with Disabilities	Adopt	Adopted as amended	
28	Res 318	Rural Health Physician Workforce Disparities	Adopt	Adopted as amended	
29	Res 319	Adding Pipeline Program Participation Questions to Medical School Applications	Amend	Adopted as amended	<p>Amend title and Resolve clauses to replace "pipeline" (which may have unintended connotations) with "pathway."</p> <p>New title: "Adding <u>Pathway (formerly called Pipeline)</u> Program Participation Questions to Medical School Applications."</p> <p>New Resolves:</p> <p>RESOLVED, That our American Medical Association collaborate with the Association of American Medical Colleges (AAMC) and other stakeholders to coalesce the data to create a question for the AAMC electronic medical school application to allow applicants to identify previous pathway (<u>formerly called pipeline</u>) program participation to determine the effectiveness of pathway programs <u>for</u> those who are underrepresented in medicine in their decisions to pursue careers in medicine.</p> <p>RESOLVED, That our AMA develop a plan, <u>once the question to identify previous pathway (formerly called pipeline) program participation is added to the AAMC electronic medical school application</u>, to analyze the data once this question is implemented with input from key stakeholders, including AAMC, the Accreditation Council for Graduate Medical Education, and interested medical societies and premed pipeline <u>pathway</u> programs.</p>

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30	Res 320	Opioid Education in Medical Schools	Not adopt	Reaffirmed in lieu of	On reaffirmation consent calendar. Overly prescriptive, and is a curricular mandate.
31	Res 321	Physician Health Program Accountability, Consistency, and Excellence in Provision of Service to the Medical Profession	No position	Adopted	
32	Res 322	Support for the Study of the Timing and Causes for Leave of Absence and Withdrawal from United States Medical Schools	Adopt	Adopted as amended with change in title	
33	Res 323	Improving Access to Care in Medically Underserved Areas Through Project ECHO and the Child Psychiatry Access Project Model	Adopt	Adopted	
34	Res 324	Residency and Fellowship Program Director, Assistant/Associate Program Director, and Core Faculty Protected Time and Salary Reimbursement	Amend	Adopted	Amend in line with Council on Medical Education edits

[Reference Committee D](#)

35	Res 403	White House Initiative on Asian Americans and Pacific Islanders	Adopt	Adopted	
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[Reference Committee F](#)

36	Res 606	Investigation into Residents, Fellows, and Physician Unions	Reaffirm	Adopted as amended	Title is inexact; Whereas clauses don't match the Resolve. Current AMA policy is opposed to this (as shown on last page of item). Reaffirm that existing policy, H-383.998, "Resident Physicians, Unions and Organized Labor," in lieu of adoption.
37	Res 608	Financial Protections for Doctors in Training	Refer	Referred	May represent a significant fiscal burden for residency programs; further study is warranted.

Informational reports

38	CME 5	Accelerating Change in Medical Education Consortium Accomplishments, 2013-2018
39	CME 7	For-Profit Medical Schools or Colleges