



YOUNG PHYSICIANS SECTION - 2019 INTERIM MEETING POLICY HIGHLIGHTS

AMA-YPS ITEMS OF BUSINESS	
AMA-YPS Resolution/Report	AMA-YPS Action (These items will remain as directives until the action requested has been completed.)
Report A: Governing Council Activities/ Action Plan Update	Filed Report A is a compilation of activities accomplished by the AMA-YPS since the 2019 Annual Meeting. Updates on AMA-YPS objectives are organized under four main categories: focus; communications; leadership development; and membership and involvement.
Report B: AMA Advocacy Efforts	Filed Report B describes AMA and AMA-YPS advocacy efforts undertaken since the 2018 Interim Meeting.
Report C: Pilot AMA-YPS Electronic Balloting Process	Adopted AMA-YPS Report C recommends that the YPS Assembly suspend their Internal Operating Procedures, Section V. Elections, Subsections E and F and conduct a pilot electronic balloting process at the 2020 Annual meeting.
Report D: AMA-YPS Directives Proposed for Sunset	Adopted Report D presents recommendations to sunset the directive Financial Counseling and Assistance for Young Physicians (GC Report, I-87) and update the directive AMA-YPS Governing Council Activities (Report E-I-99).
YPS Resolution 1: Increasing Public Umbilical Cord Blood Donations in Transplant Centers	Adopted as Amended RESOLVED, That our AMA encourage all hospitals with obstetrics programs to make available to patients and reduce barriers to public (altruistic) umbilical cord blood donation (Directive to Take Action); and be it further <u>RESOLVED, That our AMA encourage the availability of altruistic cord blood donations in all states. (Directive to Take Action)</u> Note: YPS Resolution 1 will be forwarded to the AMA House of Delegates for consideration at the 2020 Annual Meeting.
YPS Resolution 2: Fertility Preservation Benefits for Active-Duty Military Personnel	Adopted as Amended RESOLVED, That our AMA work with the American Society for Reproductive Medicine (and American College of Obstetricians and Gynecologists, and American Urological Association) and other interested organizations to encourage TRICARE to cover fertility preservation procedures (cryopreservation of sperm, oocytes, or embryos) for medical indications, for active-duty military personnel and other <u>individuals</u> covered by TRICARE (Directive to Take Action); and be it further RESOLVED, That our AMA work with the American Society for Reproductive Medicine (and American College of Obstetricians and Gynecologists, and American Urological Association) and other interested organizations to encourage TRICARE to cover gamete preservation prior to deployment for active-duty military personnel (Directive to Take Action); and be it further RESOLVED, That our AMA report back on this issue at the 2021 Annual Meeting of the AMA House of Delegates. (Directive to Take Action) Note: YPS Resolution 2 will be forwarded to the AMA House of Delegates for consideration at the 2020 Annual Meeting.

YPS Resolution 3: Opt-in/Opt-Out Paper Copies of Young Physicians Section (YPS) Assembly Materials	<p>Adopted as Amended</p> <p>RESOLVED, That our YPS Governing Council take actions to move to pilot at the 2020 Annual meeting an opt-in/opt-out system to determine distribution of printed Assembly materials (Directive to Take Action); and be it further</p> <p>RESOLVED, That our YPS Governing Council act to poll meeting attendees upon registration for the YPS Assembly to determine if they would like a printed copy of Assembly meeting materials. (Directive to Take Action)</p> <p><u>RESOLVED, That our YPS Governing Council report back on the results of the opt-in/opt-out pilot at the 2020 Interim Assembly meeting. (Directive to Take Action)</u></p> <p>Note: Since Resolution 3 is specific to the YPS, it will not be forwarded to the AMA House of Delegates for consideration. Additional details on the pilot will be provided to the YPS Assembly in the future.</p>
YPS Late Resolution 1: Preserving Childcare at AMA Meetings	<p>Adopted as Amended</p> <p>RESOLVED, That our American Medical Association continue to arrange on-site supervised childcare at AMA Annual and Interim meetings (New HOD Policy); and be it further</p> <p>RESOLVED, That our American Medical Association offer on-site supervised childcare at no cost to participants <u>AMA members and staff</u> for Annual and Interim meetings (New HOD Policy)</p> <p>Note: YPS Late Resolution 1 was forwarded to the AMA House of Delegates for consideration at the 2019 Interim Meeting and was considered as Resolution 602, which was adopted as amended.</p>

The YPS introduced the following resolutions at the 2019 Interim Meeting:

- Resolution 305 – Ensuring Access to Safe and Quality Care for Our Veterans (Adopted as Amended, with an amendment to delete “similar”)
- Resolution 602 – Preserving Childcare at AMA Meetings (Adopted as Amended with an amendment to change “AMA members and staff” to “AMA members”)
- Resolution 911 – Basic Courses in Nutrition (Existing policy reaffirmed in lieu of Resolution 911)
- Resolution 912 – Improving Emergency Response Planning for Infectious Disease Outbreaks (Adopted)
- Resolution 913 – Public Health Impacts and Unintended Consequences of Legalization and Decriminalization of Cannabis for Medicinal and Recreational Use (Alternate Resolution 913, “Raising Awareness of the Public Health Impact of Cannabis,” be adopted as amended in lieu of Resolutions 913 and 919 and new Resolve clause calling for the AMA to amend Policy H-95.924, “Cannabis Legalization for Recreational Use,” be referred)

The AMA-YPS was an active and integral part of the HOD meeting. As directed by the YPS Assembly, the section testified on 36 items of business that were considered by the AMA HOD. The YPS testified on many significant issues, including:

- Childcare at AMA meetings: The YPS introduced Resolution 602, “Preserving Childcare at AMA Meetings,” which called for the AMA to continue with arrangements for onsite supervised childcare at the AMA Annual and Interim meetings. This resolution also asked the AMA to offer onsite supervised childcare at no cost to participants of the Annual and Interim meetings. Resolution 602 was adopted as amended.

- Pay equity: The YPS testified in support of Resolution 007, “Addressing the Racial Pay Gap in Medicine,” which was adopted as amended, and Resolution 217, “Promoting Salary Transparency Among Veterans Health Administration Employed Physicians,” which was adopted.
- Opioid use disorder: The YPS proffered an amendment to Board of Trustees Report 2, “Enabling Methadone Treatment of Opioid Use Disorder in Primary Care Settings Integrating Primary Care into Methadone Maintenance Programs.” The first and third recommendations were adopted. Recommendation 2 was referred. In addition, the YPS testified in support of BOT Report 9, “Opioid Mitigation,” which was adopted.
- Scope of Practice: The YPS testified in support of Resolution 215, “Board Certification of Physician Assistants,” which was adopted as amended.

We would like to express our appreciation to all YPS members who testified on our behalf. Without you, our efforts would not be possible. Using a 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. Without the assistance of the members of our Assembly, your delegate and alternate delegate would not only have been unable to speak to these items, but would have been far less effective at building consensus between caucuses on our key issues. Your testimony and influence in your states, specialty societies, caucuses, sections, and councils are an essential part of achieving our objectives in the HOD, and multiplies the voice of young physicians in our AMA. By participating in the HOD, you play an integral part in making sure young physicians' needs are heard and considered in every decision the AMA makes.

Details about the YPS active positions may be found at <https://www.ama-assn.org/member-groups-sections/young-physicians/yps-interim-meeting-agenda-resources>. Complete final HOD actions on each of these can be found on the AMA HOD website at <https://www.ama-assn.org/house-delegates/interim-meeting/business-ama-house-delegates-interim-meeting>.

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. 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 Kavita.Shah.Arora@gmail.com or alisha.reiss@gmail.com to find out more.

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Young Physicians Section - Disposition on Active Positions from the 2019 Interim Meeting

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The YPS testified on many significant issues, including childcare at AMA meetings, pay equity, opioid use disorder, and practice of medicine. We would like to express our appreciation to all YPS members who testified on our behalf. Without you, our efforts would not be possible.

Complete final HOD actions on each of these can be found on the AMA HOD website at <https://www.ama-assn.org/house-delegates/interim-meeting/business-ama-house-delegates-interim-meeting>.

Reference Committee on Amendments to Constitution and Bylaws

- Resolution 002: Endorsing the Creation of a Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, Transgender, and Queer (LGBTQ) Research IRB Training (Active Support, **Adopted**)
- Resolution 003: Accurate Collection of Preferred Language and Disaggregated Race and Ethnicity to Characterize Health Disparities (Active Support, **Adopted as Amended**)
- Resolution 004: Improving Inclusiveness of Transgender Patients Within Electronic Medical Record Systems (Active Support, **Adopted as Amended**)
- Resolution 006: Transparency Improving Informed Consent for Reproductive Health Services (Active Oppose, Withdrawn)
- Resolution 007: Addressing the Racial Pay Gap in Medicine (Active Support, **Adopted as Amended**)
- Resolution 009: Data for Specialty Society Five-Year Review (Active Support, **Adopted**)
- Resolution 010: Ban Conversion Therapy of LGBTQ Youth (Active Support, **Adopted as Amended with change in title to read as follows: "Ban Conversion Therapy"**)
- Resolution 011: End Child Marriage (Active Support, **Adopted as Amended**)

Reference Committee B (Legislative Advocacy)

- BOT Report 01: Legalization of the Deferred Action for Legal Childhood Arrival (DALCA) (Active Support, **Adopted**)
- BOT Report 02: Enabling Methadone Treatment of Opioid Use Disorder in Primary Care Settings Integrating Primary Care into Methadone Maintenance Programs (Active Support with Amendment, **Recommendations 1 and 3 in BOT Report 2 adopted; Recommendation 2 in BOT Report 2 referred**)
- BOT Report 09: Opioid Mitigation (Active Support, **Adopted**)
- Resolution 201: Advocating for the Standardization and Regulation of Outpatient Addiction Rehabilitation Facilities (Active Refer, **Referred**)
- Resolution 203: Support Expansion of Good Samaritan Laws (Active Support, **Adopted**)
- Resolution 204: AMA Position on Payment Provisions in Health Insurance Policies (Active Support, **Existing policy reaffirmed in lieu of Resolution 204**)
- Resolution 206: Improvement of Healthcare Access in Underserved Areas by Retaining and Incentivizing IMG Physicians (Active Support, **Adopted as Amended**)
- Resolution 215: Board Certification of Physician Assistants (Active Support, **Adopted as Amended**)
- Resolution 217: Promoting Salary Transparency Among Veterans Health Administration Employed Physicians (Active Support, **Adopted**)
- Resolution 219: QPP and the Immediate Availability of Results in CEHRTs (Active Support, **Adopted as Amended**)
- Resolution 223: Appropriate Use of Scientific Studies and Data in the Development of Public Policy (Active Support, **Adopted as Amended**)

Reference Committee C (Medical Education)

- CME Report 06: Veterans Health Administration Funding of Graduate Medical Education (Active Support with Amendment, **Adopted as Amended**)
- Resolution 302: Strengthening Standards for LGBTQ Medical Education (Active Support, **Adopted as Amended**)
- Resolution 303: Investigation of Existing Application Barriers for Osteopathic Medical Students Applying for Away Rotations (Active Support, **Adopted**)
- Resolution 304: Issues with the Match, the National Residency Matching Program (Active Refer, **Referred**)
- *Resolution 305: Ensuring Access to Safe and Quality Care for our Veterans* (Active Support, **Adopted as Amended**)

Reference Committee F (AMA governance and finance)

- BOT Report 6: Physician Health Policy Opportunity (Resolution 604-I-18) Request to AMA for Training in Health Policy and Health Law (Resolution 612-A-19) (Active Support, **Adopted as Amended**)
- CLRPD Report 1: Academic Physicians Section Five-Year Review (Active Support, **Adopted**)
- *Resolution 602: Preserving Childcare at AMA Meetings* (Active Support, **Adopted as Amended**)

Reference Committee J (medical service, medical practice, insurance)

- CMS Report 3: Improving Risk Adjustment in Alternative Payment Models (Active Support with Amendment, **Adopted as Amended**)
- Resolution 811: Require Payers to Share Prior Authorization Cost Burden (Active Support, **Adopted as Amended**)
- Resolution 815: Step Therapy (Active Support, **Adopted as Amended**)

Reference Committee K (science and public health)

- Resolution 902: Amending H-490.913, "Smoke-Free Environments and Workplaces," and H 490.907, "Tobacco Smoke Exposure of Children in Multi-Unit Housing," to Include E-Cigarettes (Active Support, **Adopted as Amended**)
- Resolution 908: Request for Benzodiazepine-Specific Prescribing Guidelines for Physicians (Active Support with Amendment, **Not Adopted**)
- *Resolution 911: Basic Courses in Nutrition* (Support, **Existing policy reaffirmed in lieu of Resolution 911**)
- *Resolution 912: Improved Emergency Response Planning for Infectious Disease Outbreaks* (Active Support, **Adopted**)
- *Resolution 913: Public Health Impacts and Unintended Consequences of Legalization and Decriminalization of Cannabis for Medicinal and Recreational Use* (Active Support, **Alternate Resolution 913, "Raising Awareness of the Public Health Impact of Cannabis," be adopted as amended in lieu of Resolutions 913 and 919 and new Resolve clause calling for the AMA to amend Policy H-95.924, "Cannabis Legalization for Recreational Use," be referred**)
- Resolution 914: Nicotine Replacement Therapy for Minors (Active Support, **Adopted as Amended with a change in title to read as follows: "Strategies for the Treatment of Tobacco Use Disorder and Nicotine Dependence in Populations Under the Age of 18"**)