



## Young Physicians Section - Disposition on Active Positions from the November 2020 Meeting

As directed by the YPS Assembly, the section testified on 17 items of business that were considered by the AMA HOD. Of note, the YPS position is listed parenthetically and the final House action in bold.

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Complete final HOD actions on each of these can be found on the AMA HOD website at <https://www.ama-assn.org/house-delegates/special-meeting/business-november-2020-special-meeting-ama-house-delegates>

### Reference Committee on Amendments to Constitution and Bylaws

- Resolution 005: Racism as a Public Health Threat (Active Support, **Adopted as Amended**)
- Resolution 007: Access to Confidential Health Care Services for Physicians and Trainees (Active Support, **Alternate Resolution 007 adopted in lieu of Resolution 007**)
- Resolution 008: Delegate Apportionment During COVID-19 Pandemic Crisis (Active Support, **Adopted**)
- Resolution 010: Racial Essentialism in Medicine (Active Support, **Adopted as Amended**)
- Resolution 011: Elimination of Race as a Proxy for Ancestry, Genetics, and Biology in Medical Education, Research, and Clinical Practice (Active Support, **Adopted**)

### Reference Committee A (Medical Service)

- CMS Report 6: Value-Based Management of Drug Formularies (Active Support, **Adopted**)
- CMS Report 7: Health Plan Initiatives Addressing Social Determinants of Health (Active Support, **Adopted as Amended**)

### Reference Committee B (Legislation)

- Resolution 202: Cares Act Equity and Loan Forgiveness in the Medicare Accelerated Payment Program (Active Support of second Resolve, **Adopted as Amended**)
- Resolution 203: COVID-19 Emergency and Expanded Telemedicine Regulations (Active Support of first and second Resolves, Monitor third Resolve, **Alternate Resolution 203 adopted as amended in lieu of Resolutions 203 and 205; The Second Clause in the Second Resolved referred as amended; The Fourth Clause in the Second Resolved referred for decision; The Fifth Clause in the Second Resolved referred; Amendment B4, to add a Sixth Clause to the Second Resolved, referred for decision**)
- Resolution 205: Telehealth Post SARS-COV-2 (Active Support, **Alternate Resolution 203 adopted as amended in lieu of Resolutions 203 and 205; The Second Clause in the Second Resolved referred as amended; The Fourth Clause in the Second Resolved referred for decision; The Fifth Clause in the Second Resolved referred; Amendment B4, to add a Sixth Clause to the Second Resolved, referred for decision**)

### Reference Committee C (Medical Education)

- CME Report 3: Protection of Resident and Fellow Training in the Case of Hospital or Training Program Closure (Active Support, **Recommendations 3 and 5 in Council on Medical Education Report 3 adopted as amended; Recommendation 1, 2, 4 and 6 adopted; Additional Recommendation 7 adopted, and the remainder of the report filed.**)

### Reference Committee D (Public Health)

- BOT Report 9: Bullying in the Practice of Medicine (Active Support, **Adopted as Amended**)
- Resolution 406: Face Masking in Hospitals During Flu Season (Active Oppose, **Alternate Resolution 406 adopted in lieu of Resolution 406**)

Reference Committee E (Science and Technology)

None

Reference Committee F (AMA governance and finance)

- CLRPD Report 3: Establishment of the Private Practice Physicians Section (Active Support, **Adopted**)
- Resolution 602: Towards Diversity and Inclusion: A Global Nondiscrimination Policy Statement and Benchmark for our AMA (Active Support of the sixth Resolve, **Referred with report back at the 2021 Annual meeting**)

Reference Committee G (Medical Service)

- CMS Report 4: Economic Discrimination in the Hospital Practice Setting (Active Support, **Adopted**)
- Resolution 710: A Resolution to Amend the AMA's Physician and Medical Staff Bill of Rights (Active Support, **Referred**)



**YOUNG PHYSICIANS SECTION – NOVEMBER 2020 MEETING POLICY HIGHLIGHTS**

<b>AMA-YPS ITEMS OF BUSINESS</b>	
<b>AMA-YPS Resolution/Report</b>	<b>AMA-YPS Action</b> (These items will remain as directives until the action requested has been completed.)
Report A: Governing Council Activities/ Action Plan Update	<p><b>Filed</b></p> <p>Report A is a compilation of activities accomplished by the AMA-YPS since the 2019 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><b>Adopted</b></p> <p>Report B provides an overview of AMA Bylaws language related to the apportionment of state medical society representation in the AMA-YPS. This report includes the 2020 allocations for state medical society representatives in the AMA-YPS Assembly. Further, Report B provides a framework 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"> <li>1. YPS Governing Council will continue to work with appropriate YPS committee members to connect with current and potential members that are part of state medical societies not represented in the AMA-YPS and encourage them to serve as liaisons to the young physicians in their society or identify someone in their society for further outreach.</li> <li>2. The YPS Governing Council will continue to work with appropriate YPS committee members to communicate with state 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.</li> <li>3. The YPS Governing Council will continue to reach out to state societies that are eligible for representation in the AMA-YPS Assembly that have not sent a representative in the past two years.</li> <li>4. The YPS Governing Council will continue to reach out to state societies that are eligible for representation in the AMA-YPS Assembly that have sent less than the allotted number of representatives.</li> </ol>
Report C: Specialty Society Representation and Outreach	<p><b>Adopted</b></p> <p>Report C presented the criteria for specialty society representation in the AMA-YPS Assembly, gave an update on the level of specialty society representation, and discussed strategies to gain new specialty society representation.</p> <p>Report C includes the following recommendations:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. The YPS Governing Council will continue to work with appropriate YPS committee members and young physician members to engage with current and potential members that are part of specialty societies not represented in the AMA-YPS and encourage them to serve as liaisons to the young physicians in their society or identify someone in their society for further outreach.</li> </ol>

	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>2. The YPS Governing Council will continue to connect with specialty societies that are eligible for representation in the AMA-YPS Assembly that have not sent a representative in the past two years.</li> <li>3. The YPS Governing Council will continue to reach out to specialty societies that are eligible for representation in the AMA-YPS Assembly that have sent less than the allotted number of representatives.</li> <li>4. The YPS Governing Council will reach out to the American Society of Cytopathology to notify this specialty society of its eligibility for representation in the AMA-YPS Assembly.</li> <li>5. The YPS Governing Council will reach out to the American Academy of Sleep Medicine to notify this specialty society of its eligibility for additional representation in the AMA-YPS Assembly.</li> </ol>
<p>Report D: AMA-YPS 2019 Finance Report</p>	<p><b>Filed</b></p> <p>Report D provided information on the AMA-YPS budget and finances.</p>
<p>Report E: Update on the Pilot AMA-YPS Electronic Balloting Process</p>	<p><b>Filed</b></p> <p>Report E provides the status of the AMA-YPS electronic balloting pilot. The AMA-YPS Assembly adopted Report C-I-19, Pilot AMA-YPS Electronic Balloting Process, which recommended that the election procedures outlined in the YPS Internal Operating Procedures (IOP) (Section V. Subsections E and F) be suspended in order to pilot an online balloting process during the 2020 Annual meeting. This informational report notes that this pilot will be delayed until the appropriate time to allow for proper implementation and review.</p>
<p>Report F: AMA Advocacy Efforts</p>	<p><b>Filed</b></p> <p>Report F describes AMA and AMA-YPS advocacy efforts undertaken since the 2019 Interim Meeting.</p>
<p>Report G: AMA-YPS Directives Proposed for Sunset</p>	<p><b>Adopted</b></p> <p>Report G presents recommendations that the AMA-YPS sunset the directive, Improving Prevention and Emergency Response through Flexible Public Health Funding Based on Population Risks (YPS Resolution 2-A-18).</p>
<p>Report H: Opt-in/Opt-Out Paper Copies of Young Physicians Section (YPS) Assembly Materials (Resolution 3-I-19)</p>	<p><b>Filed</b></p> <p>Report H provides an update on the pilot for an opt-in/opt-out system for printed Assembly meeting materials. Resolution 3-I-19, "Opt-in/Opt-Out Paper Copies of Young Physicians Section (YPS) Assembly Materials," asked the AMA-YPS Governing Council to move toward an opt-in/opt-out system to determine distribution of printed Assembly materials. Further, this resolution asked the YPS Governing Council to poll meeting attendees upon registration for the YPS Assembly to determine if they would like a printed copy of Assembly meeting materials. During the online forum, it was noted that a significant number of participants had concerns or were not in favor of moving to an opt-in/opt-out system for printed Assembly materials. As both printed and electronic distribution of meeting materials present benefits and challenges, it was important to understand the impact of an opt-in/opt-out system on the Section.</p> <p>Resolution 3-I-19 was adopted as amended and called for the YPS Governing Council to conduct a pilot for the 2020 Annual meeting and follow up with a report back to the YPS Assembly at the 2020 Interim meeting. This informational report notes that the pilot for the YPS opt-in/opt-out system for printed Assembly meeting materials will be delayed until the appropriate time to allow for proper implementation and review.</p>

<p>Report I: AMA Bylaws on YPS Governing Council Eligibility</p>	<p><b>Adopted as Amended</b></p> <p>The recommendations in Report I were adopted as amended:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. The AMA-YPS Governing Council recommends introduction of YPS Resolution 1 (November 2020), “AMA Bylaws Language on AMA Young Physicians Section Governing Council Eligibility,” which includes the following Resolve clause:  RESOLVED, That the American Medical Association amend AMA Bylaw 7.52, Cessation of Eligibility, to allow an individual elected as YPS Chair-Elect to move through the Chair and Immediate Past Chair positions even if <del>he or she</del> <u>they</u> no longer <del>is</del> <u>are</u> considered a young physician under the section membership eligibility criteria. (Modify Bylaws)</li> <li>2. The AMA-YPS Governing Council recommends that YPS Resolution 1 (November 2020), “AMA Bylaws Language on AMA Young Physicians Section Governing Council Eligibility,” be submitted for consideration at the November 2020 Special Meeting of the AMA House of Delegates.</li> </ol>
<p>YPS Resolution 1: AMA Bylaws on YPS Governing Council Eligibility</p>	<p><b>Withdrawn</b></p> <p>RESOLVED, That the American Medical Association amend AMA Bylaw 7.52, Cessation of Eligibility, to allow an individual elected as YPS Chair-Elect to move through the Chair and Immediate Past Chair positions even if they no longer are considered a young physician under the section membership eligibility criteria. (Modify Bylaws)</p> <p>Note: YPS Resolution 1 was presented to the AMA House of Delegates for consideration at the November 2020 Meeting as Resolution 012. Subsequently, Resolution 012 was withdrawn in order to better address the underlying ambiguity in the bylaws after sustained dialogue with the Council on Constitution and Bylaws.</p>

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We would like to express our appreciation to all YPS members who participated in the HOD handbook review process and testified on our behalf. Our efforts would not be possible without you. With the assistance of the members of our Assembly, your delegate and alternate delegate were able to speak to these items and build consensus 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, 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. 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](mailto:Kavita.Shah.Arora@gmail.com) or [alisha.reiss@gmail.com](mailto:alisha.reiss@gmail.com) to find out more.

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**RETAINED DIRECTIVES FROM PAST AMA-YPS MEETINGS**

<b>RETAINED AMA-YPS DIRECTIVE</b>	<b>PAST/FUTURE ACTIONS</b>
<p><b>Financial Counseling and Assistance for Young Physicians</b></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>At the 2018 Annual Assembly Meeting, The AMA-YPS C. Clayton Griffin, MD, Memorial Luncheon featured presentations on contract negotiation, financial planning, and starting a private practice. Presenters included Richard Levenstein, JD; Michael Hanak, MD; Julie Khazan, CFP; Ron Paprocki, JD, CFP; andCarolynn Francavilla Brown, MD.</p> <p>Per AMA-YPS Report D-1-19, this directive has been sunset.</p>
<p><b>AMA-YPS Governing Council Activities</b></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>Per AMA-YPS Report D-1-19, the Governing Council will issue an informational activities report on an annual basis. Information on AMA-YPS activities is also disseminated via AMA electronic newsletters and the Web site.</p>
<p><b>AMA-YPS Yearly Finance Report</b></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>

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<p><b>Strategic Planning</b></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"> <li>1. Focus;</li> <li>2. Communications;</li> <li>3. Leadership Development; and</li> <li>4. Membership and Involvement.</li> </ol> <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>Consistent with the development of past AMA-YPS Strategic Plans, a survey will be administered to the Assembly in 2020.</p>
<p><b>State Medical Society Representation in the AMA-YPS Assembly</b></p> <p>At each Annual meeting, the YPS GC presents Report B, which provides an overview of current representation levels and proposes recommendations to increase representation and promote active participation among state medical societies.</p>	<p>This is an ongoing effort and the Governing Council will report developments as appropriate.</p>
<p><b>Increasing Specialty Society Representation in the AMA-YPS</b></p> <p>At each Annual meeting, the YPS GC presents Report C, Specialty Society Representation and Outreach, which provides an overview of current representation levels and proposes recommendations to stimulate additional specialty society representation.</p>	<p>This is an ongoing effort and the Governing Council will report developments as appropriate.</p>
<p><b>AMA-YPS Internal Operating Procedures</b></p> <p>The AMA-YPS IOP Committee will study and report back at the 2012 Interim Meeting with further recommendations regarding changes to the IOP.</p>	<p>In accordance with the AMA-YPS IOP, the next review will take place in 2022.</p>
<p><b>Improving Prevention and Emergency Response through Flexible Public Health Funding Based on Population Risks</b></p> <p>YPS Resolution 2-A-18, Improving Prevention and Emergency Response through Flexible Public Health Funding Based on Population Risks. Resolution 2 asks the AMA to encourage federal, state, and local agencies to</p>	<p>YPS Report E, "Improving Prevention and Emergency Response through Flexible Public Health Funding Based on Population Risks," responds to Resolution 2-A-18. Report E includes a synopsis of the principal topics raised in Resolution 2-A-18: 1) the significance of implementing</p>

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<p>partake in syndromic surveillance, assess risks of local populations for disease, and develop comprehensive plans with other stakeholders to enact actions for mitigation, preparedness, response, and recovery in the event of unexpected infectious disease outbreak.</p> <p>YPS Resolution 2 was referred for study with a report back to the YPS Assembly at the 2019 Annual Assembly Meeting. (A-18)</p>	<p>syndromic surveillance and 2) the allocation of public health funds to support communities in the event of an infectious disease outbreak.</p> <p>Report E, which was adopted at the 2019 Annual meeting, includes the following recommendations:</p> <p>1. The AMA-YPS Governing Council recommends that YPS Resolution 2-A-18, "Improving Prevention and Emergency Response through Flexible Public Health Funding Based on Population Risks," be amended with a change in title to read:</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><b>IMPROVED EMERGENCY RESPONSE PLANNING FOR INFECTIOUS DISEASE OUTBREAKS</b></p> <p><u>RESOLVED, That our AMA encourage hospitals and other entities that collect patient encounter data to report syndromic (i.e., symptoms that appear together and characterize a disease or medical condition) data to public health departments in order to facilitate federal, state, and local agencies to partake in syndromic surveillance, assess risks of local populations for disease, and develop comprehensive plans with other stakeholders to enact actions for mitigation, preparedness, response, and recovery (Directive to Take Action); and be it further</u></p> <p><del>RESOLVED, That our AMA encourage federal, state, and local agencies to develop funding formulas accounting for population risks and medically underserved areas (Directive to Take Action); and be it further</del></p> <p><u>RESOLVED, That our AMA supports flexible funding in public health for "Disease X" unexpected infectious disease to improve timely response to emerging outbreaks and build public health infrastructure at the local level with attention to medically underserved areas (Directive to Take Action); and be it further</u></p> <p><del>RESOLVED, That our AMA supports effective encourage health departments to develop public health messaging to reduce climate of fear and panic provide education on unexpected infectious disease. (Directive to Take Action)</del></p> <p>2. The AMA-YPS Governing Council recommends that YPS Resolution, "Improved Emergency Response Planning for Infectious Disease Outbreaks," be submitted for consideration at the 2019 Interim Meeting of the AMA House of Delegates.</p> <p>Pursuant to the adoption of YPS Report E, YPS Resolution, "Improved Emergency Response Planning for</p>

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	<p>Infectious Disease Outbreaks,” was submitted for consideration at the 2019 Interim Meeting of the AMA House of Delegates (HOD). This resolution, considered by the AMA HOD as Resolution 912-I-19, was adopted. AMA Policy H-440.892, Bolstering Public Health Preparedness, appended as a result.</p> <p>Per AMA-YPS Report G (November 2020), this directive has been sunset as it has been accomplished.</p>