

REPORT OF THE COUNCIL ON CONSTITUTION AND BYLAWS

CCB Report 5-JUN-21

Subject: AMA Bylaws – YPS Eligibility

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Referred to: Reference Committee on Amendments to Constitution and Bylaws

At the June 2021 Meeting, the House of Delegates adopted Substitute Resolution 24 from the Young Physicians Section in lieu of original Resolution 24. House action on Substitute Resolution 24 called for amendments to our AMA Bylaws to allow continued Governing Council service for those physicians elected to a leadership position, and further redefines Governing Council eligibility through the calendar year.

To implement Substitute Resolution 24, the Council has prepared appropriate amendments to the AMA Bylaws and presents them for consideration by the House of Delegates.

RECOMMENDATIONS

The Council on Constitution and Bylaws recommends: 1) that the following amendments to the AMA Constitution and Bylaws be adopted; and 2) that the remainder of this report be filed. Adoption requires the affirmative vote of two-thirds of the members of the House of Delegates present and voting following a one-day layover.

7.5 Young Physicians Section. The Young Physicians Section is a fixed Section.

7.5.1 Membership. All active physician members of the AMA who are not resident/fellow physicians, but who are under 40 years of age or are within the first 8 years of professional practice after residency and fellowship training programs, shall be members of the Young Physicians Section until December 31 of the year of their 40th birthday or December 31 of the eighth year following completion of their graduate medical education, whichever comes last.

7.5.2 Cessation of Eligibility of Governing Council Members. If any Governing Council member ceases to meet the membership requirements of Bylaw 7.5.1 prior to the expiration of the term for which elected, the term of such member shall terminate and the position shall be declared vacant. If any member's term would terminate prior to the conclusion of an Annual Meeting, such member shall be permitted to serve in office until the conclusion of the Annual Meeting following that when in which such member ceases to meet the membership requirements of Bylaw 7.5.1, as long as the member remains an active physician member of the AMA.

7.5.2.1 The chair position is a three-year commitment and divided into the roles of chair-elect, chair, and immediate past chair. The young physician must

1 meet the requirements of Bylaws 7.5.1 and 7.5.2 when elected as chair-
2 elect through the end of the chair role, or 2nd year. The chair-elect, chair
3 and immediate past chair shall be granted membership in the Section and
4 be permitted to complete the term of office even if unable to continue to
5 meet all of the requirements of Bylaw 7.5.1, as long as the physician
6 remains an active physician member of the AMA.
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8 (Modify Bylaws)