

AMERICAN MEDICAL ASSOCIATION HOUSE OF DELEGATES

Resolution: 019
(A-22)

Introduced by: International Medical Graduate Section

Subject: Hardship for International Medical Graduates from Ukraine

Referred to: Reference Committee on Amendments to Constitution and Bylaws

1 Whereas, Ukraine is in the midst of a major humanitarian and ~~medical crisis~~ since the Russian
2 invasion on February, 24th, 2022; and
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4 Whereas, Numerous civilians including children have ~~been killed~~ and millions of ~~Ukrainians~~
5 have been displaced from their home seeking ~~safety~~; and
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7 Whereas, Physicians who went to medical school in ~~Ukraine~~ have no possible means of
8 obtaining primary source verification of medical education; and
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10 Whereas, Many states require additional ~~verification~~ for IMGs from medical schools, despite the
11 Federation Credentials Verification Services profile, to issue them state medical license; and
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13 Whereas, Nationwide physicians crisis during the pandemic highlighted the need for multiple
14 state licenses for physicians to serve the underserved areas; therefore be it
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16 RESOLVED, That our American Medical Association advocate with relevant stakeholders that
17 advise state medical boards to ~~grant hardship waiver~~ for primary source verification of medical
18 education for all licensing requirements for ~~physicians~~ who graduated from medical schools in
19 Ukraine until the current ~~humanitarian~~ crisis in Ukraine is resolved. (Directive to Take Action)

Fiscal Note: Not yet determined

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References:

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