Whereas, Medical ethics require physicians to treat every patient regardless of race, color, ethnicity, or gender as well as disease itself; and

Whereas, AMA’s Council on Ethical and Judicial Affairs (CEJA) guidelines do address ethical guidelines in case of a pandemic, but they fail to address the current pandemic (COVID) effectively; and

Whereas, Many physicians have been infected with the corona virus and some have died during care of infected patients; and

Whereas, Only about 65% of the US population has been vaccinated for COVID-19. Many of the minority populations have not been vaccinated at the same rate as whites; and

Whereas, Both vaccinated and non-vaccinated individuals can get reinfected and transmit COVID-19; and

Whereas, The Wall Street Journal reported many physicians in several states have refused to provide care to unvaccinated individuals in outpatient settings even with use of PPE; and

Whereas, CEJA guidelines are the benchmark for medical ethics for most of the healthcare institutions; therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the American Medical Association and the Council on Ethical and Judicial Affairs issue new ethical guidelines for medical professionals for care of individuals who have not been vaccinated for COVID-19. (Directive to Take Action)

Fiscal Note: Modest - between $1,000 - $5,000

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References: