CMA Board of Trustees Actions on Year-Round Resolutions
3rd Quarter (Q3), 2016

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The Board of Trustees met on July 29, 2016 and took the following action(s) on Council Reports:

The Board approved the following Recommendations from the Council on Science and Public Health:

RECOMMENDATION 1 The Council on Science and Public Health recommends approval of the following resolution (for Resolution 109-16 (Take Action on Climate Change))

RESOLVED: That the California Medical Association recognizes that climate change threatens the health and well-being of the patients served by California’s physicians, and be it further

RESOLVED: That the California Medical Association support efforts to educate patients and the medical community regarding the potential adverse health effects of global climate change, and it be further

RESOLVED: That the California Medical Association encourage health care institutions to review and improve their carbon footprint and that of their supply chain and also encourage them to prepare for climate impacts, and it be further

RESOLVED: That the California Medical Association support efforts to communicate with our local state and national legislators about the need to take action to adapt to and mitigate the effects of climate change.

RECOMMENDATION 2 The Council on Science and Public Health recommends approval of the following amended resolution (for Resolution 110-16 Commercial Sexual Exploitation and Sex Trafficking of

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RESOLVED: That the California Medical Association support the development of laws and policies that utilize a public health framework to address the commercial sexual exploitation and sex trafficking of minors by promoting care and services for victims instead of arrest and prosecution; and be it further

RESOLVED: That this matter be referred for national action.

The Board approved the following Recommendations from the Council on Medical Services:

RECOMMENDATION 1  The Council on Medical Services recommends approval of the following substitute (Resolution 205-16 Health Information Data Blocking)

RESOLVED: That CMA support national efforts to eliminate technological and economic barriers to secure health information data exchange; and be it further

RESOLVED: That CMA continue to educate physician members on how to retain full access to patient data they have entered into an electronic health record (EHR) even after the termination of their contract with an EHR vendor; and be it further

RESOLVED: CMA support physician’s rights to their patients’ data entered into an EHR system.

RECOMMENDATION 2  The Council on Medical Services recommends approval of the following substitute resolution for (Resolution 206-16: Appropriate Level of Consent for Telehealth)

RESOLVED: That “Principles of Telemedicine” (BoT 2015-07-24:3) be amended as follows:

The Board approved the following Recommendations from the Council on Health Professions and Quality of Care:
RECOMMENDATION 1  The Council on Health Professions and Quality of Care recommends approval of the following substitute resolution for (Resolution 603-16 Physician Choice-Maintenance of Certification Exams)

RESOLVED: That CMA support that participation in Maintenance of Certification programs should be voluntary; and be it further

RESOLVED: That CMA support that participation in Maintenance of Certification programs should not be a requirement for state licensure; and be it further

RESOLVED: That CMA support that participation in Maintenance of Certification programs may be a factor, but not a requirement, when assessing physician competence for employment, medical staff privileges, and health plan participation.

RECOMMENDATION 2  The Council on Health Professions and Quality of Care recommends approval of the following substitute resolution in lieu of (Resolution 604-16 USP Compounding Rules)

RESOLVED: That CMA support the ability of physicians to engage in small volume physician office-based compounding under the oversight of the Medical Board of California; and be it further

RESOLVED: That CMA support the maintenance of exceptions in the United States Pharmacopeia and The National Formulary (USP-NF) that allow for allergen extract compounding in the medical office setting; and be it further

RESOLVED: That this matter be referred for national action.

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