

Status - Implementation of Resolutions and Report Recommendations AMA House of Delegates Interim Meeting - November 8-11, 2014

Report/Resolution	Title	House Action	Status
BOT Report 01-I-14	Pap Testing Guidelines: HEDIS versus USPSTF (Resolution 118-A-13)	Recommendations in BOT Report 1-I-14 Adopted, Remainder of Report Filed.	AMA Policy Database Updated.
BOT Report 03-I-14	Facilitating State Licensure for Telemedicine Services	Recommendations in BOT Report 3-I-14 Adopted, Remainder of Report Filed.	Recommendations 1 & 2 – Our AMA has supported the FSMB Interstate Compact for Medical Licensure through direct support and counsel to interested state medical associations and, at the request of state medical associations, submitted testimony in support of the Compact to legislatures in six states.
BOT Report 05-I-14	FDA Regulation of Off-Label Drug Promotion (Resolution 218-I-13)	Recommendations in BOT Report 5-I-14 Adopted as Amended, Remainder of Report Filed.	AMA Policy Database Updated.
BOT Report 09-I-14	Specialty Society Representation in the House of Delegates - Five-Year Review	Recommendations in BOT Report 9-I-14 Adopted, Remainder of Report Filed.	AMA Policy Database Updated.
CEJA Report 01-I-14	Physician Exercise of Conscience	Adopted.	Council on Ethical and Judicial Affairs Opinion 1 appears in the Delegates Handbook for the 2015 Annual Meeting. (Informational)
CEJA Report 02-I-14	Prescribing and Dispensing Sample Medications	Referred.	Council on Ethical and Judicial Affairs Report 2 on this subject appears in the Delegates Handbook for the 2015 Annual Meeting. (Reference Committee on Amendments to Constitution and Bylaws)
CEJA Report 03-I-14	Modernized Code of Medical Ethics	Referred.	Council on Ethical and Judicial Affairs Report 3 on this subject appears in the Delegates Handbook for the 2015 Annual Meeting. (Reference Committee on Amendments to Constitution and Bylaws)
CLRPD Report 01-I-14	Section on Medical Schools Five-Year Review	Recommendations in CLRPD Report 1-I-14 Adopted, Remainder of Report Filed.	AMA Policy Database Updated.
CMS Report 01-I-14	Hospital Admissions and Patient Management Contractors	Recommendations in CMS Report 1-I-14 Adopted as Amended, Remainder of Report Filed.	Recommendation 1 – Our AMA notified the Federation that AMA is interested in (1) continuing its work with state medical associations to monitor utilization management policy to ensure that hospital admissions are reviewed by appropriately qualified physicians; and (2) promoting related AMA model state legislation.
CMS Report 02-I-14	Privacy Issues Regarding Insurance Company Explanation of Benefits (Resolution 801-I-13)	Recommendations in CMS Report 2-I-14 Adopted as Amended, Remainder of Report Filed.	AMA Policy Database Updated.
CMS Report 03-I-14	Reference Pricing (Resolution 808-I-13)	Recommendations in CMS Report 3-I-14 Adopted as Amended, Remainder of Report Filed.	AMA Policy Database Updated.

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CMS Report 04-I-14	Network Adequacy (Resolutions 113, 125 and 130-A-14)	Recommendations in CMS Report 4-I-14 Adopted as Amended, Remainder of Report Filed.	Recommendations 9 & 12 – Our AMA notified the Federation that the AMA is committed to supporting fair and equitable compensation to out-of-network providers in the event that a provider network is deemed inadequate by the health plan or appropriate regulatory authorities. Our AMA also notified the Federation that it is interested in advocating for legislation that prohibits health insurers from falsely advertising that enrollees in their plans have access to physicians of their choosing if the health insurer’s network is limited.
CMS Report 05-I-14	Medicaid Expansion Options and Alternatives	Recommendations in CMS Report 5-I-14 Adopted as Amended, Remainder of Report Filed.	AMA Policy Database Updated.
CMS Report 06-I-14	The Future of Employer-Sponsored Insurance	Recommendations in CMS Report 6-I-14 Adopted, Remainder of Report Filed.	AMA Policy Database Updated.
CMS Report 07-I-14	Medicaid Primary Care Payment Increases (Resolutions 116-A-13 and 103-A-14)	Recommendations in CMS Report 7-I-14 Adopted as Amended, Remainder of Report Filed.	Our AMA wrote to Rep. Kathy Castor (D-FL) in support of H.R. 5723, the “Ensuring Access to Primary Care for Women and Children Act,” on November 21, 2014, and is in communication with the Senate and House sponsors of this year’s legislation. Our AMA also notified the Federation that our AMA is committed to advocating for the Affordable Care Act’s Medicaid primary care payment increases to continue past 2014 in a manner that does not negatively impact payment for any other physicians. Our AMA informed the Federation that our AMA has model state legislation entitled the, “Medicaid Primary Care Payment Parity Act” that raises Medicaid reimbursement rates for certain primary care services to 100 percent of Medicare rates.
CMS Report 08-I-14	Modernizing TRICARE Payment Policies (Resolution 108-A-14)	Recommendations in CMS Report 8-I-14 Adopted as Amended, Remainder of Report Filed.	Our AMA is continuing to advocate for reforms in TRICARE payment policies that remove barriers to physician participation, support new delivery models, and fully reimburse vaccines, transitional care management, mental health services, and services by non-physicians in physician-led health care teams.
CMS Report 09-I-14	Regulation of Provider-Performed Microscopy Procedures (Resolution 715-A-14)	Recommendations in CMS Report 9-I-14 Adopted as Amended, Remainder of Report Filed.	Our AMA sent a letter to CMS concerning the oversight of laboratories where provider-performed microscopy procedures are performed. The letter identifies opportunities for modernization and streamlining.
CSAPH Report 01-I-14	Genomics in Hypertension: Risk Prediction and Treatment	Recommendations in CSAPH Report 1-I-14 Adopted as Amended, Remainder of Report Filed.	AMA Policy Database Updated.
CSAPH Report 02-I-14	Electronic Cigarettes, Vaping, and Health: 2014 Update	Recommendations in CSAPH Report 2-I-14 Adopted as Amended in Lieu of Resolutions 919, 927 and 930, Remainder of Report Filed.	AMA Policy Database Updated.

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CSAPH Report 03-I-14	Tornado Safety and Manufactured Homes (Resolution 401-A-13)	Recommendations in CSAPH Report 3-I-14 Adopted, Remainder of Report Filed.	AMA Policy Database Updated.
CSAPH Report 04-I-14	Role of Pharmacists in Improving Immunization Rates (Resolution 212-I-12)	Recommendations in CSAPH Report 4-I-14 Adopted, Remainder of Report Filed.	AMA Policy Database Updated.
Report of the Speakers 2-I	Rules for Campaign Parties	Adopted.	AMA Policy Database Updated.
RES 001-I-14	Advance Directives During Pregnancy	Referred.	A Board of Trustees Report will be prepared for consideration by the House of Delegates at the 2015 Interim Meeting.
RES 002-I-14	Protecting Medical Students' Rights as Patients	Adopted.	AMA Policy Database Updated.
RES 003-I-14	Solitary Confinement of Juveniles in Legal Custody	Adopted as Amended with Change in Title.	AMA Policy Database Updated.
RES 004-I-14	Legal Protection and Social Services for Commercially Sexually Exploited Youth	Adopted as Amended.	Our AMA notified the Federation that our AMA is committed to working with states and specialties to (1) where appropriate, advocate for legal protection and alternatives to incarceration for commercially sexually exploited youth as an alternative to prosecution for crimes related to their sexual or criminal exploitation; and (2) encourage the development of appropriate, and comprehensive, trauma-informed services as an alternative to criminal detention in order to overcome barriers to necessary services and care for commercially sexually exploited youth.
RES 005-I-14	Opt-Out Organ Donation	Policies H-370.966 and D-370.985 Reaffirmed in Lieu of Resolution 5-I-14.	AMA Policy Database Updated.
RES 006-I-14	Physician Civil Discourse	Substitute Resolution 6 Adopted.	AMA Policy Database Updated.
RES 007-I-14	Delegate Counts for RFS Assembly Meetings	Adopted.	Council on Constitution and Bylaws Report 1 on this subject appears in the Delegates Handbook for the 2015 Annual Meeting. (Reference Committee on Amendments to Constitution and Bylaws)
RES 008-I-14	Ensuring Access to Health Care, Mental Health Care, Legal and Social Services for Unaccompanied Minors and Other Recently Immigrated Children and Youth	Adopted as Amended with Change in Title.	Our AMA notified the Federation that AMA is committed to collaborating with medical societies and all clinicians to (1) work together with other child-serving sectors to ensure that new immigrant children receive timely and age-appropriate services that support their health and well-being and (2) secure federal, state, and other funding sources to support those services.
RES 009-I-14	The AMA Must Support Health Care for All, Regardless of Age	Not Adopted.	

Report/Resolution	Title	House Action	Status
RES 201-I-14	Short-Term Urgent Refills	Referred.	A Council on Medical Service Report on this subject will be prepared for consideration by the House of Delegates at the 2015 Interim Meeting.
RES 202-I-14	Sobriety Checkpoints	Adopted as Amended.	Our AMA notified the Federation that AMA supports the use of legal and constitutional sobriety checkpoints to deter driving following alcohol consumption. Our AMA also notified the Federation of the AMA's commitment to work with interested state medical societies to pursue legislation to overturn bans on the use of sobriety checkpoints.
RES 203-I-14	Inclusion of Preventive Medicine Physicians in the National Health Service Corps Loan Repayment Program	Current Policy Reaffirmed.	AMA Policy Database Updated.
RES 204-I-14	ICD-10 and Cost of Coding Changes	Adopted.	<p>Our AMA sent a letter on May 4, 2015 to the Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS) regarding our concerns with the agency's implementation plans for moving to ICD-10, with 100 Federation members signing onto the letter. The letter strongly urged CMS to consider the following:</p> <p>CMS to release more detailed end-to-end testing results broken out by the type and size of providers who tested, number of claims tested by each submitter, percentage of claims successfully processed, and specific details about problems encountered.</p> <p>CMS to: 1) provide details on how it plans to ensure that the measure calculations for these programs are not adversely impacted by the transition to ICD-10; and 2) ensure cross-walks do not attribute increased costs to a physician's value-based payment modifier score when switching to ICD-10. Any changes in measure specifications from ICD-9 to ICD-10 should demonstrate stability and be budget neutral during the transition.</p> <p>Our AMA also recently sent a letter of support to The Honorable Ted Poe, U.S. House of Representatives for his "Cutting Costly Codes Act of 2015, H.R. 2126 bill" that would stop the implementation of ICD-10.</p> <p>At the present time, there is no legislation pending before Congress that would fund physician efforts to implement ICD-10. Under pressure from a wide variety of interests, Congress has grown increasingly committed to implementation of ICD-10 without further delay. Our AMA continues to advocate on ICD-10 implementation issues to secure relief for physician practices.</p>

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RES 205-I-14	Juvenile Justice System Reform	Referred.	A Council on Science and Public Health Report on this subject will be prepared for consideration by the House of Delegates at the 2015 Interim Meeting.
RES 206-I-14	Help Control Pharmaceutical Costs	Adopted.	Our AMA policy on this matter is well established. However, at this time, there is no foreseeable pathway for the successful enactment of legislation to establish negotiated pricing for pharmaceutical products under Part D. Res. 206 calls on our AMA to work toward eliminating the Medicare prohibition on drug price negotiation. This prohibition was included in the Medicare Modernization Act of 2003, which established the Medicare Part D program. In February 2015, the proposed budget that President Obama submitted to Congress for fiscal year 2016 included a proposal to allow the Secretary of Health and Human Services to negotiate prices for biotechnology treatments and other high-cost drugs in Medicare Part D in order to ensure access to and affordability of these treatments. As the prohibition was included in the 2003 law, however, it will require congressional action to modify it. HHS Secretary Burwell has indicated she would work with members of Congress to develop a detailed plan. Our AMA will work with the Administration and Congress as the details of their plan are developed.
RES 207-I-14	Generic Pharmaceutical Pricing	Referred. (With Resolution 228-I-14)	A Council on Medical Service Report on this subject will be prepared for consideration by the House of Delegates at the 2015 Interim Meeting. (With Resolution 228-I-14)
RES 208-I-14	Stark Law and Physician Compensation	Referred.	A Board of Trustees Report will be prepared for consideration by the House of Delegates at the 2015 Interim Meeting.
RES 209-I-14	Expansion of Safe Drug Disposal Sites	Adopted as Amended.	Our AMA has advocated via letters and testimony to the National Conference of Insurance Legislators and the National Governors Association for safe Take Back and disposal programs.
RES 210-I-14	AMA Promotion of Improved Electronic Health Records	Adopted as Amended.	Our AMA has weighed in at every opportunity to aggressively urge the administration to reduce the burden of the Meaningful Use (MU) program on physicians and modify the penalties. Our AMA has continuously met with the administration, members of Congress and other stakeholders to address these issues. Extensive comments have been submitted on multiple regulations. Our AMA is encouraged by the proposed changes to Stage 2 of the MU program, and are working to ensure that the administration finalizes the policy. While our AMA is also encouraged by some of the changes in the proposed certification rule, the Certification program retains its overall complexity and limits product innovation. Consequently, our AMA is pressing for additional modifications to the rule. Lastly, our AMA remains concerned about the proposed policies in the MU Stage 3, and we are seeking significant changes to the rule.

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RES 211-I-14	CPR Training	Adopted as Amended in Lieu of Resolution 212.	Our AMA notified the Federation that our AMA supports and is interested in collaborating on legislation that would encourage high school students to be trained in cardiopulmonary resuscitation.
RES 212-I-14	CPR Training as a High School Graduation Requirement	Resolution 211 Adopted as Amended in Lieu of Resolution 212.	See Res 211-I-14.
RES 213-I-14	Cannabis - Expanded AMA Advocacy	Adopted as Amended.	Our AMA notified the Federation that our AMA is committed to working with interested states and specialties on the following: (1) educating legislators as to the health effects of cannabis use as elucidated in CSAPH Reports I-13 and A-09 and as additional scientific evidence becomes available; (2) urging legislatures to delay initiating full legalization of any cannabis product until further research is completed on the public health, medical, economic and social consequences of use of cannabis and instead, support the expansion of such research; (3) educating legislators regarding AMA's policy position that stresses "public health" as contrasted with a "criminal" approach to cannabis; and (4) encouraging model legislation that would require placing the following warning on all cannabis products not approved by the US Food and Drug Administration: "Marijuana has a high potential for abuse. It has no scientifically proven, currently accepted medical use for preventing or treating any disease in the United States."
RES 214-I-14	Pain Medicine	Referred.	A Board of Trustees Report will be prepared for consideration by the House of Delegates at the 2015 Interim Meeting.
RES 215-I-14	Preauthorization	Substitute Resolution 215 Adopted as Amended w/ Report Back at A-15, in lieu of Resolutions 219, 221, and 222.	Board of Trustees Report 11 on this subject appears in the Delegates Handbook for the 2015 Annual Meeting. (Informational)
RES 216-I-14	Site of Service Payment Discrepancies	Policies H-400.957 and H-400.969 Reaffirmed in Lieu of Resolution 216.	AMA Policy Database Updated.
RES 217-I-14	Powdered Caffeine and Easy Unintentional Overdose	Adopted.	Our AMA has met with several Senate offices that have expressed banning the retail sale of powdered caffeine. These members are skeptical, however, that a legislative solution is possible and have encouraged engagement with the FDA on this issue. Our AMA is communicating with the FDA on the dangers associated with powdered caffeine and the need for regulation in this area.
RES 218-I-14	Parity of Payment for Administration of Medications Within the Same Category of Drug	Referred.	A Council on Medical Service Report on this subject will be prepared for consideration by the House of Delegates at the 2015 Interim Meeting.

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RES 219-I-14	Opposition to Insurance Company Policies that Interfere with Appropriate Outpatient Laboratory Services	Substitute Resolution 215 Adopted as Amended w/ Report Back at A-15, in lieu of Resolutions 219, 221, and 222.	See Substitute Resolution 215-I-14.
RES 220-I-14	Protecting Patients' Access to Prescription Drugs	Not Adopted.	
RES 221-I-14	Removing Barriers to Payments for Vaccine and Medication Administration	Substitute Resolution 215 Adopted as Amended w/ Report Back at A-15, in lieu of Resolutions 219, 221, and 222.	See Substitute Resolution 215-I-14.
RES 222-I-14	Quantifying the Burden of Prior Authorization	Substitute Resolution 215 Adopted as Amended w/ Report Back at A-15, in lieu of Resolutions 219, 221, and 222.	See Substitute Resolution 215-I-14.
RES 223-I-14	Preservation of Small Medical Practices	Policies D-405.988, H-478.991 and E-9.02 Reaffirmed in Lieu of Resolution 223.	AMA Policy Database Updated.
RES 224-I-14	Transparency and Labeling of Generic Medications	Policy H-125.984 Reaffirmed in Lieu of Resolution 224.	AMA Policy Database Updated.
RES 225-I-14	Physician Credit Card Payments by Health Insurance Companies	Adopted.	Our AMA notified the Federation that our AMA has model legislation available addressing virtual credit card transaction fees and is interested in working with states and specialties in advancing legislation on behalf of physicians to ensure that any credit card transaction/bank fees are not the responsibility of the health care provider.
RES 226-I-14	Extension of Deadline to File Claim for FICA Tax Refund	Referred for Decision.	Resolution 226, sponsored by the Virginia, South Carolina, and West Virginia delegations, asked our AMA to: 1) investigate the number of unclaimed FICA tax refunds by medical residents; and 2) if the number of unclaimed FICA tax refunds is significant, seek federal legislation to extend the deadline to apply for FICA tax refunds prior to 2005. The Board VOTED that, in lieu of Resolution 226-I-14, our AMA post a notice on our AMA Web site that includes a hyperlink to the Internal Revenue Service's (IRS) webpage, which contains comprehensive information specifically intended for former medical residents who were subject to pre-April 1, 2005, Federal Insurance Contributions Act (FICA) tax withholding.
RES 227-I-14	2015 Medicare Payment Fee Schedule	Not Adopted.	
RES 228-I-14	High Cost of Drugs	Referred. (with Resolution 207)	A Council on Medical Service Report on this subject will be prepared for consideration by the House of Delegates at the 2015 Interim Meeting.

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RES 229-I-14	Preventing Drug Manufacturers from Restricting their Distribution Networks	Policies D-110.993, H-110.992 and H-110.998 Reaffirmed in Lieu of Resolution 229.	AMA Policy Database Updated.
RES 230-I-14	AMA Support of the Preventive Health Savings Act	Policy D-155.994 Reaffirmed in Lieu of Resolution 230.	AMA Policy Database Updated.
RES 601-I-14	Employee Associations and Collective Bargaining for Physicians	Adopted.	A Board of Trustees Report on this subject will be prepared for consideration by the House of Delegates at the 2015 Interim Meeting.
RES 603-I-14	Critical Congenital Heart Disease Screening Procedure Code	Current Policy Reaffirmed.	AMA Policy Database Updated.
RES 604-I-14	AMA-Provided Innovation Grants to Support New Physician Models to Improve Quality, Efficiency and Reduce Cost	Referred.	Board of Trustees Report 21 on this subject appears in the Delegates Handbook for the 2015 Annual Meeting. (Reference Committee F)
RES 605-I-14	Helping to Better Inform Legislators on Medical Matters	Adopted.	Sent faxes to the attention of health staff at the offices of members of Congress to encourage them to receive AMA Morning Rounds.
RES 606-I-14	Creation of the AMA Super PAC	Referred.	Board of Trustees Report 18 on this subject appears in the Delegates Handbook for the 2015 Annual Meeting. (Reference Committee F)
RES 607-I-14	Study the Longer-Term Effects of Physician Employment	Adopted.	A Council on Medical Service Report on this subject will be prepared for consideration by the House of Delegates at the 2015 Interim Meeting.
RES 801-I-14	Patient Access to Penile Prosthesis as Legitimate Treatment for Erectile Dysfunction	Adopted as Amended.	Our AMA notified the Federation that our AMA is interested in working with states and specialties to advocate for patient access to the full continuum of care of evidence-based erectile dysfunction treatment modalities including oral pharmacotherapy, penile vasoactive injection therapy, vacuum erection device therapy and penile prosthetics.
RES 802-I-14	Advocating for Research on Physician-Initiated Conversations About Treatment Cost	Current Policy Reaffirmed.	AMA Policy Database Updated.
RES 803-I-14	Emergency Department Insurance Linking	Adopted as Amended.	AMA Policy Database Updated.
RES 805-I-14	Incorporating Community Health Workers Into the US Health Care System	Referred.	A Council on Medical Service Report on this subject will be prepared for consideration by the House of Delegates at the 2015 Interim Meeting.
RES 806-I-14	International In-Flight Medical Emergency Center	Current Policy Reaffirmed.	AMA Policy Database Updated.
RES 807-I-14	Medical Emergency Algorithms	Not Adopted.	

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RES 808-I-14	Access to Psychiatric Services	Policies H-345.981, H-345.978, H-385.921 and D-345.997 Reaffirmed in Lieu of Resolution 808.	AMA Policy Database Updated.
RES 809-I-14	Insurance Coverage for Fertility Preservation in Patients Receiving Cytotoxic or Immunomodulatory Agents	Adopted as Amended.	AMA Policy Database Updated.
RES 810-I-14	Patient Education Regarding the Medicare Chronic Care Management Fee	Adopted.	A model letter is available at www.ama-assn.org/go/carecoordination . A link to this letter is included in a CPT Assistant Bulletin, distributed in early June.
RES 811-I-14	Health Plan Coverage for Outpatient Obesity Primary Care Visits	Substitute Resolution 811 Adopted.	AMA Policy Database Updated.
RES 812-I-14	Health Plan Coverage for Hearing Aid Devices	Referred. (With Resolution 817-I-14)	A Council on Medical Service Report on this subject will be prepared for consideration by the House of Delegates at the 2015 Interim Meeting.
RES 813-I-14	Medicaid Enhanced Rates	Not Adopted.	
RES 814-I-14	SCIP and HCAHPS Measures Used by CMS in Hospital Reimbursement	Policies H-450.946, H-450.966, and D-385.958 Reaffirmed in Lieu of Resolution 814.	AMA Policy Database Updated.
RES 815-I-14	Board Recertification to Maintain Hospital Staff Privileges	Adopted as Amended.	The AMA Physician's Guide to Medical Staff Organization Bylaws (www.ama-assn.org/go/bylaws) has been updated to comprehensively address requirements for board certification and recertification as a condition for medical staff membership and/or clinical privileges. The updated resource reinforces the AMA's position that medical staffs should have flexibility in determining which, if any, specialty board certification will be used as a criterion to delineate clinical privileges, and provides sample bylaws language that would permit physicians who are not board certified to establish their equivalent qualification through documented experience and competence.
RES 816-I-14	Burdensome Impact of Medicare's Face-to-Face Form Requirements	Current Policy Reaffirmed.	AMA Policy Database Updated.
RES 817-I-14	Medicare Coverage of Hearing Aids	Referred. (With Resolution 812-I-14)	A Council on Medical Service Report on this subject will be prepared for consideration by the House of Delegates at the 2015 Interim Meeting.
RES 818-I-14	Access and Equity in Telemedicine Payments	Adopted as Amended.	Our AMA, through multiple meetings and comment letters to the appropriate Congressional committees, continues to advocate for a lifting of geographic site restrictions for the coverage of telemedicine services under Medicare.

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RES 819-I-14	Price Transparency	Referred.	Council on Medical Service Report 4 on this subject appears in the Delegates Handbook for the 2015 Annual Meeting. (Reference Committee G)
RES 820-I-14	Antitrust Activity	Referred for Decision.	Resolution 820, sponsored by the Florida Delegation, asked our AMA to: 1) study the effects of monopolistic activity by healthcare entities that may have a majority of market share in a region on the patient-doctor relationship; and 2) develop an action plan for legislative and regulatory advocacy to achieve more vigorous application of antitrust laws to protect physicians and physician practices who are confronted with monopolistic activity by health care entities. The Board VOTED to approve that the Board of Trustees report back to the House of Delegates at the 2015 Interim Meeting regarding Resolution 820.
RES 821-I-14	Review of Straddle Drug Pricing Rules for Medicare Part D Participants	Substitute Resolution 821 Adopted.	Board of Trustees Report 20 on this subject appears in the Delegates Handbook for the 2015 Annual Meeting. (Informational)
RES 823-I-14	Medicare Coverage of Vaccines During Office Visits	Current Policy Reaffirmed.	AMA Policy Database Updated.
RES 824-I-14	Vaccines to Medicare Patients	Adopted as Amended with Change in Title.	Our AMA included a request for CMS to cover tetanus and Tdap vaccines at both the Welcome to Medicare and Annual Wellness Visits, and other clinically appropriate encounters, in the March 23, 2015, AMA letter to the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services.
RES 825-I-14	Principles for Hospital Sponsored Electronic Health Records	Referred.	A Board of Trustees Report on this subject will be prepared for consideration by the House of Delegates at the 2015 Interim Meeting.
RES 826-I-14	Non-Formulary Medications and the Medicare Part B Coverage Gap	Adopted.	Our AMA advocates for patient's out-of-pocket costs for non-formulary medications to be included in calculations for the patient's contributions toward the Medicare Part D coverage gap, and advocate for financial assistance for patients. Under current Medicare regulations, non-formulary medications only count toward patients' "true out-of-pocket" (TrOOP) costs if the patient has appealed or requested a formulary exception so that the drug is covered by the Part D plan even though it is not on the plan's formulary. Medicare excludes any costs incurred for covered Part D drugs which are not included in the plan's formulary. Our AMA has been discussing Part D issues with CMS and will work to broaden Medicare's policy to include non-formulary drugs in TrOOP. By law, Part D includes substantial financial assistance for beneficiaries with incomes below 150% of the poverty level.

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RES 827-I-14	Care Coordination	Adopted as Amended.	Our AMA continues to conduct research and have discussions with CMS and other stakeholders to better understand the issues around funding for care coordination efforts to assure Triple Aim outcomes of better health and quality care at a lower cost. Our AMA is communicating with federal authorities to support continued funding of CMMI projects that can guide the decisions of third-party payers to reimburse care coordination services.
RES 901-I-14	Addressing Emerging Trends in Recreational Drug Abuse	Substitute Resolution 901 Adopted	AMA Policy Database Updated.
RES 903-I-14	Accommodating Lactating Mothers Taking Medical Examinations	Substitute Resolution 903 Adopted.	AMA Policy Database Updated.
RES 904-I-14	Equal Paternal and Maternal Leave for Medical Residents	Policy H-405.960 Adopted as Amended in Lieu of Resolution 904.	AMA Policy Database Updated.
RES 905-I-14	Increasing Healthy Food Choices Among Families Supported by the Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program	Current Policy Reaffirmed.	AMA Policy Database Updated.
RES 906-I-14	Medication Adherence in Patients with Low Health Literacy	Adopted as Amended with a Change in Title.	AMA Policy Database Updated.
RES 907-I-14	Promoting Education of Electronic Health Records in Undergraduate Medical Education	Referred.	Council on Medical Education Report 8 on this subject appears in the Delegates Handbook for the 2015 Annual Meeting. (Reference Committee C)
RES 908-I-14	Providing Greater Emphasis on the Social Determinants of Health in Medical School Curriculum	Policy H-295.874 Adopted as Amended in Lieu of Resolution 908.	AMA Policy Database Updated.
RES 911-I-14	USMLE Step 1 Timing	Adopted as Amended.	The Association of American Medical Colleges (AAMC), National Board of Medical Examiners (NBME) and Federation of State Medical Boards (FSMB) were notified of the House action. The House action also was transmitted to each medical school, residency program director, directors of medical education at U.S. teaching hospitals and other interested groups via the MedEd Update.
RES 913-I-14	Dietary Supplement Dangers	Current Policy Reaffirmed.	AMA Policy Database Updated.
RES 914-I-14	Excessive Computer Time for Medical Students, Residents and Fellows	Referred.	Council on Medical Education Report 8 on this subject appears in the Delegates Handbook for the 2015 Annual Meeting. (Reference Committee C)

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RES 917-I-14	Improve Safety of Mail-Ordered Medication	Adopted as Amended.	The issue has been discussed with leadership of the National Association of Boards of Pharmacy in order to inform potential approaches.
RES 918-I-14	Management and Leadership for Physicians	Substitute Resolution 918 Adopted.	<p>Our AMA has been actively studying the issue of physician leadership, including the advantages and disadvantages of various educational options. Our AMA intends to use this information to create a resource for physicians interested in management and leadership positions throughout their careers. New educational leadership opportunities are also being developed for physicians for release at the end of 2015, both at the individual and practice levels, to help them succeed regardless of the environment they are in.</p> <p>Resolve #2: The Association of American Medical Colleges (AAMC), American Osteopathic Association (AOA) and American Association of Colleges of Osteopathic Medicine (AACOM) were notified of the House action. The House action also was transmitted to each medical school, residency program director, directors of medical education at U.S. teaching hospitals and other interested groups via the MedEd Update. Our AMA Section on Medical Schools (SMS) was encouraged to advocate on behalf of the issue.</p>
RES 919-I-14	Prohibit e-Cigarettes in Hospitals and Other Health Care Institutions	Recommendations in CSAPH Report 2-I-14 Adopted as Amended in Lieu of Resolutions 919, 927 and 930, Remainder of Report Filed.	See CSAPH Report 02-I-14.
RES 920-I-14	Combating the Medical Certification and its Attempt to Capture Into Unproven Certification Programs with its Regulations	Substitute Resolution 920 Adopted as Amended in Lieu of Resolutions 920, 926, 928 and 929. 8th Bullet of Resolve 1 Referred.	Council on Medical Education Report 2 on this subject appears in the Delegates Handbook for the 2015 Annual Meeting. (Reference Committee C)
RES 921-I-14	A Tobacco Free Military	Current Policy Reaffirmed.	AMA Policy Database Updated.
RES 922-I-14	Child Safety Seats - Public Education and Awareness	Adopted as Amended.	AMA Policy Database Updated.
RES 923-I-14	Transparency of Pharmaceutical Manufacture	Not Adopted.	
RES 925-I-14	AMA Role in Addressing Epidemics and Pandemics	Substitute Resolution 925 Adopted as Amended in Lieu of Resolutions 925, 933, 935 and 936.	<p>An Ebola Resource Center was developed. A staff position has been created to expand existing expertise in public health.</p> <p>An online Ebola Resource Center was created on the AMA website, which received more than 30,000 unique page views. AMA Wire posts about Ebola news and resources generated nearly 13,000 unique page views and the Ebola education video received more than 3,400 views.</p>

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RES 926-I-14	Maintenance of Certification	Substitute Resolution 920 Adopted as Amended in Lieu of Resolutions 920, 926, 928 and 929. 8th Bullet of Resolve 1 Referred.	See Resolution 920-I-14.
RES 927-I-14	E-Cigarette Advertising and Paid Product Placement	Recommendations in CSAPH Report 2-I-14 Adopted as Amended in Lieu of Resolutions 919, 927 and 930, Remainder of Report Filed.	See CSAPH Report 2-I-14.
RES 928-I-14	Cancellation of Maintenance of Certification	Substitute Resolution 920 Adopted as Amended in Lieu of Resolutions 920, 926, 928 and 929. 8th Bullet of Resolve 1 Referred.	See Resolution 920-I-14.
RES 929-I-14	Opposition of Maintenance of Certification as Condition for Licensure, Credentialing or Reimbursement	Substitute Resolution 920 Adopted as Amended in Lieu of Resolutions 920, 926, 928 and 929. 8th Bullet of Resolve 1 Referred.	See CSAPH Report 2-I-14.
RES 930-I-14	Regulation of Electronic Nicotine Delivery Devices	Recommendations in CSAPH Report 2-I-14 Adopted as Amended in Lieu of Resolutions 919, 927 and 930, Remainder of Report Filed.	See CSAPH Report 2-I-14.
RES 931-I-14	Private Payer Funding of Graduate Medical Education	Referred.	A Council on Medical Education Report on this subject will be prepared for consideration by the House of Delegates at the 2015 Interim Meeting.
RES 932-I-14	Navajo Birth Cohort Study	Adopted as Amended with Change in Title.	Our AMA sent a letter to key officials at the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC). Given the potential to improve reproductive health outcomes, our AMA urged the CDC Administrator to fully fund the study without going through a redundant peer review process.
RES 933-I-14	Evidence-Based Policy for Health Care Workers Returning from West Africa	Substitute Resolution 925 Adopted as Amended in Lieu of Resolutions 925, 933, 935 and 936.	See Substitute Resolution 225-I-14.
RES 934-I-14	Creation of AMA Principles for Physician Demonstration of Current Professional Expertise	Referred.	Council on Medical Education Report 3 on this subject appears in the Delegates Handbook for the 2015 Annual Meeting. (Reference Committee C)
RES 935-I-14	AMA Response to Epidemics and Pandemics	Substitute Resolution 925 Adopted as Amended in Lieu of Resolutions 925, 933, 935 and 936.	See Substitute Resolution 225-I-14.

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RES 936-I-14	Evidence-Based Policy for Health Care Workers Returning From South Africa	Substitute Resolution 925 Adopted as Amended in Lieu of Resolutions 925, 933, 935 and 936.	See Substitute Resolution 925-I-14