



YOUNG PHYSICIANS SECTION – 2024 INTERIM MEETING POLICY HIGHLIGHTS

| AMA-YPS ITEMS OF BUSINESS | |
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| AMA-YPS Resolution/Report | AMA-YPS Action (These items will remain as directives until the action requested has been completed.) |
| Report A: AMA Advocacy Efforts | <p>Filed</p> <p>AMA-YPS Report A includes key AMA advocacy priorities and AMA-YPS policy impact and influence. This is an informational report that provides an overview of advocacy efforts accomplished by the AMA. Further, this report details YPS policymaking successes that have contributed to the AMA’s advocacy efforts and enhanced discussions on significant issues impacting patients and physicians</p> |
| Report B: Update on Providing Assembly Contact Information to Candidates for YPS Governing Council (Resolution 1-A-24) | <p>Referred for decision</p> <p>Your YPS Governing Council recommends:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> That the AMA-YPS safeguard its members’ contact information and not provide personal information to AMA YPS candidates or AMA HOD candidates. That the AMA-YPS adhere to applicable rules set forward in AMA Election Rules and Guiding Principles G-610.090. <p>The YPS Assembly advocated that YPS Governing Council candidates receive Assembly contact information and referred this item for decision by the YPS Governing Council. The YPS GC will come up with a way to distribute contact information fairly and appropriately.</p> |
| Report C: 2025 and 2026 Process for YPS Endorsements of Candidates for HOD Election | <p>Filed</p> <p>Report C is an informational report outlining the 2025 and 2026 endorsement process for the HOD election.</p> <p>Conclusion: The YPS Governing Council will continue to monitor its endorsement process for adherence to the AMA election rules and guiding principles. If the AMA policy on elections is modified, the YPS Governing Council will adjust, as appropriate, to ensure compliance and communicate these updates to the Assembly.</p> |
| Resolution 1: Adapting the YPS IOPs for the Speakers’ New Endorsement Rules | <p>Adopted as Amended</p> <p>Resolution 1 was adopted as amended and reads as follows:</p> <p style="padding-left: 40px;">RESOLVED, the YPS Governing Council shall appoint an endorsement committee composed of all the credentialed YPS representatives at the 2025 Annual YPS Assembly meeting to determine during that meeting which eligible candidate will receive the YPS endorsement for YPS young physician trustee member <u>YPS young physician trustee member</u> of the AMA Board of Trustees.</p> <p style="padding-left: 40px;">RESOLVED, the YPS Governing Council shall immediately submit a revised endorsement process to the Speakers in place of the previous proposal, which stipulates that the YPS Governing Council shall appoint an endorsement committee composed of all the credentialed YPS members at the 2025 Annual YPS Assembly meeting to determine</p> |

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| | <p>during that meeting which eligible candidate will receive the YPS endorsement for the YPS member of the AMA Board of Trustees.</p> <p><u>RESOLVED, the YPS Governing Council shall appoint a 9-member nominating committee composed of 3 members of the Governing Council selected by the Governing Council and 6 members that are elected by all credentialed YPS representatives at the 2024 Interim YPS Assembly for endorsements for candidates running for a House elected position at Annual 2026.</u></p> |
| <p>Resolution 2: Promoting Medication Continuity and Reducing Prior Authorization Burdens</p> | <p>Adopted as Amended</p> <p>Resolution 2 adopted as amended and reads as follows:</p> <p><u>RESOLVED, that our American Medical Association advocate for state and federal legislation or regulations requiring health insurance companies to honor prior authorizations for medications for up to 12 months when patients switch between insurance plans or experience coverage gaps advocate for federal and state legislation that minimizes the impact of prior authorization requirements and payer-specific formulary tiering policies for medications during transitions or lapses in insurance coverage; and be it further</u></p> <p>RESOLVED, that our AMA collaborates with relevant stakeholders to develop and promote best practices for implementing medication continuity policies across different insurance plans and healthcare systems.</p> |
| <p>Resolution 3: Comprehensive Third-Party Audit of AMA Medicare Payment Reform Strategy</p> | <p>Adopted as Amended</p> <p>Resolution 3 adopted as amended and reads as follows:</p> <p>RESOLVED, that our American Medical Association will engage a third-party organization to conduct a comprehensive audit of the AMA's Medicare payment reform strategy; and be it further</p> <p>RESOLVED, that this third-party audit will explore all aspects of the AMA's efforts regarding Medicare payment reform, including but not limited to: lobbying efforts, funding allocations, overall strategic approach, and any internal or external factors contributing to the lack of progress; and be it further</p> <p>RESOLVED, that the findings of this third-party audit will be reported back to the HOD with actionable recommendations for how to improve and accelerate the AMA's Medicare payment reform efforts; and be it further</p> <p>RESOLVED, that the AMA will commit to transparency by sharing the audit results and the steps taken in response with its membership and the public, demonstrating a renewed commitment to achieving meaningful Medicare payment reform.</p> <p><u>RESOLVED, that our AMA provide a summary of findings and actionable recommendations from both internal and external advocacy consultants regarding Medicare payment reform. The report must primarily focus on barriers</u></p> |

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| | <p><u>identified, gaps in the current strategy, and specific recommendations for improving and accelerating advocacy efforts; and be it further</u></p> <p><u>RESOLVED, that our AMA share with its members comprehensive reports on our Medicare payment reform advocacy efforts, including consultant findings on major barriers, strategy gaps, and recommendations for improvement, at both the Interim and Annual Meetings beginning at I-25, and more frequently as legislative dynamics dictate.</u></p> <p>The title of Resolution 3 was changed to read: Comprehensive Third-Party Audit <u>Increasing Transparency of AMA Medicare Payment Reform Strategy</u></p> <p>YPS Resolution 3 will be presented for consideration at a future meeting of the AMA House of Delegates.</p> |
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We would like to express our appreciation to all YPS members who participated in the HOD handbook review process and testified on our behalf. Our efforts would not be possible without you. With the assistance of the members of our Assembly, your delegate and alternate delegate were able to speak to these items and build consensus on our key issues. Your testimony and influence in your states, specialty societies, caucuses, sections, and councils are an essential part of achieving our objectives in the HOD and multiplies the voice of young physicians in our AMA. By participating, you play an integral part in making sure young physicians' needs are heard and considered in every decision the AMA makes.

Please share this report with the YPS members of your state and specialty societies to let them know about the work we are doing at the AMA. If you have any questions on the actions of the YPS or would like to become more involved in the YPS policy process, please do not hesitate to contact us.

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