

AMERICAN MEDICAL ASSOCIATION YOUNG PHYSICIANS SECTION

Resolution: 3
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Subject: Comprehensive Third-Party Audit of AMA Medicare Payment Reform Strategy

Referred to: AMA-YPS Reference Committee

- 1 Whereas, the AMA House of Delegates (HOD) recently identified Medicare payment reform as
2 the top priority through a referendum; and
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4 Whereas, since this resolution, the AMA has consistently communicated via emails and position
5 statements that Medicare payment reform remains the top priority; and
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7 Whereas, despite these communications, there has been little to no significant progress in
8 advancing Medicare payment reform; and
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10 Whereas, there is growing criticism within the HOD that the AMA publicly prioritizes Medicare
11 payment reform but privately supports various positions that may hinder the progress of this
12 reform; and
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14 Whereas, the lack of substantial progress on Medicare payment reform necessitates an in-depth
15 analysis to identify potential barriers and inefficiencies in the current strategy; therefore be it
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17 RESOLVED, that our American Medical Association will engage a third-party organization to
18 conduct a comprehensive audit of the AMA's Medicare payment reform strategy; and be it
19 further
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21 RESOLVED, that this third-party audit will explore all aspects of the AMA's efforts regarding
22 Medicare payment reform, including but not limited to: lobbying efforts, funding allocations,
23 overall strategic approach, and any internal or external factors contributing to the lack of
24 progress; and be it further
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26 RESOLVED, that the findings of this third-party audit will be reported back to the HOD with
27 actionable recommendations for how to improve and accelerate the AMA's Medicare payment
28 reform efforts; and be it further
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30 RESOLVED, that the AMA will commit to transparency by sharing the audit results and the
31 steps taken in response with its membership and the public, demonstrating a renewed
32 commitment to achieving meaningful Medicare payment reform.

Fiscal Note: (Assigned by HOD)

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