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Action on Recommendations from the Board of Governors

Board Recommendation A-1 2017 FMA Policy Review – Reaffirmation and Sunset

House Action: Policies were reaffirmed and sunset as presented in the original report.

Board Recommendation B-1 CHAPTER VI

Board of Governors Recommendation: That the Board of Governors recommend to the House of Delegates that the FMA bylaws be amended to change the composition of the FMA Board of Governors by eliminating the representative of the primary care specialty societies, the representative of the medical specialties and subspecialties, and the representative of the surgical specialties and subspecialties effective upon the expiration of the current term of each member.

House Action: Not adopted

Section 1. COMPOSITION

The Board of Governors shall consist of the following members who shall have been elected by the House of Delegates:

- FMA President
- FMA President-Elect
- FMA Vice President
- FMA Secretary
- FMA Treasurer
- FMA Immediate Past President
- FMA Speaker
- FMA Vice Speaker
- One representative from each medical district
- A resident physician
- A young physician who is a member of the Young Physician’s Section
- ~~• A representative of the Primary Care Specialty Societies~~
- ~~• A representative of the Medical Specialties and Subspecialties~~
- ~~• A representative of the Surgical Specialties and Subspecialties~~



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The Board of Governors shall also consist of the following:

- The Chair of the Florida Medical Association Delegation to the AMA, unless such person is already occupying a position on the Board of Governors, in which case the Vice Chair of the Florida Medical Association Delegation to the AMA shall be a member of the Board
- The Chair of the FMA Specialty Society Section, unless such person is already occupying a position on the Board of Governors, in which case the Vice Chair of the FMA Specialty Society Section shall be a member of the Board.
- The President of the FMA PAC, unless such person is already occupying a position on the Board of Governors, in which case the President-Elect of the FMA PAC shall be a member of the Board.
- The Chair of the FMA Council on Legislation, unless such person is already occupying a position on the Board of Governors, in which case the Vice-Chair of the FMA Council on Legislation shall be a member of the Board.
- A medical student, elected by the FMA Medical Student Section Executive Committee, for a term of one year.

The Board of Governors shall also consist of the following members who shall be appointed by the FMA President, for a term of one year, and approved by the Board of Governors:

- An at-large member;
- One representative of the Council of Florida Medical School Deans, provided that the representative must be from an institution with full active membership in the FMA;
- One representative of the Council of Florida Medical Society Executives.

The Board of Governors shall also consist of one public member, who shall be appointed by the FMA President, for a term of one year, and approved by the Board of Governors. The public member shall be an individual who does not possess the degree of Doctor of Medicine or its equivalent and shall not be a medical student.

The Board of Governors may also consist of the following non-voting members, for a term of one year, as appointed by the FMA President, and approved by the Board of Governors at its discretion:

- A representative of the Florida Department of Health
- A representative of the Florida Board of Medicine



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Board Recommendation B-2 CHAPTER V

Board of Governors Recommendation: That the Board of Governors recommend to the House of Delegates that the FMA bylaws be amended to provide that the FMA Vice President succeed to the office of president, rather than president-elect, in the event that both the president and president-elect are unable to complete their term.

House Action: Adopted the Board of Governors' Recommendation to amend the FMA Bylaws

Section 1. DEFINED

The officers of the Association are President, President-Elect, Vice President, Secretary, Treasurer, Immediate Past President, Speaker of the House of Delegates, and Vice Speaker of the House of Delegates.

The delegates to the House of Delegates of the American Medical Association are those elected by the House of Delegates as provided in Chapter III, Section 6, of these Bylaws.

Section 2. PRESIDENT

The President is the official head of organized medicine in the state. He shall preside at General Sessions of the Association, appoint all committees not otherwise provided for subject to approval of the Board of Governors, deliver an address at the Annual Meeting of the House of Delegates and perform such other duties as are normally required of his office except on the Board of Governors and the Executive Committee where he shall be a member with full rights and privileges. He shall serve as Chair of the Board of Governors and of the Executive Committee.

Section 4. PRESIDENT-ELECT

The President-Elect shall succeed to the Presidency for the unexpired term in the event the President is unable to complete his term, including in the event of the death or disability of the President, or his resignation or removal from office. The President-Elect shall act for the President in the case of his temporary absence. The President-Elect shall be, ex-officio, a member of all Standing Committees without the power to vote, except that he shall be a full member of the Board of Governors and the Executive Committee with all rights and privileges. He shall keep himself advised of all programs and activities of the Association and shall familiarize himself with its general policies and procedures. Upon termination of the term of the President's office, the President-Elect automatically shall succeed to such office.

Section 4. VICE PRESIDENT

The Vice President shall act for the President-Elect in case of his temporary absence. He shall be a full member of the Board of Governors and Executive Committee with the right to vote. The Vice



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President shall succeed to the office of **President-Elect** for the unexpired term in the event that both the President and President-Elect are unable to complete their term. In that event, a new President shall be elected at the next regularly scheduled meeting of the House of Delegates.

Board Recommendation B-3 CHAPTER V

Board of Governors Recommendation: That the Board of Governors recommend to the House of Delegates that the FMA bylaws be amended to change the selection of the executive committee member representing the young physician section / resident physician section / medical student section from a yearly rotating basis to appointment by the president with the approval of the board.

House Action: Adopted the Board of Governors' Recommendation to amend the FMA Bylaws

Section 6. EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

- 1. COMPOSITION.**— The Executive Committee of the Board of Governors shall consist of the President, President-Elect, Vice President, Secretary, Treasurer, Immediate Past President, the Speaker, the Vice Speaker, the Chairman of the Council on Legislation, and a member-at-large who may be appointed by the President from the Board with the approval of the Board. The Executive Committee shall also consist of one member of the Young Physicians Section, Resident Physicians Section or Medical Student Section, ~~who shall rotate annually on an alternating basis among the three sections~~ who may be appointed by the President with the approval of the Board.



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Action of 2025 Resolutions

Resolution 25-101 **Supporting Routine Immunization of all Children** Florida Chapter American Academy of Pediatrics

House Action: Adopted

RESOLVED, Our Florida Medical Association strongly recommends routine childhood immunizations as the safest and most cost-effective way of alleviating disease, disability, and death due to infections caused by vaccine-preventable diseases; and be it further

RESOLVED, Our Florida Medical Association supports the on-time, routine immunization of all children and adolescents.

[Public Policy Compendium: P 250.008](#)

Resolution 25-102 **Expanding Pediatric Primary Care Autism Diagnosis and Early Intervention Access in Florida** Florida Chapter of the American Academy of Pediatrics

House Action: Adopted as amended

RESOLVED, That our Florida Medical Association supports a simplified diagnostic process for PCPs to diagnose ASD in ages 18-48 months using validated screening and diagnostic tools at discretion of PCP (e.g., M-CHAT-R/F, STAT, CARS-2, DSM-5, RITA-T criteria) to streamline access to early interventions without requiring a diagnosis by a sub-specialist, and be it further

RESOLVED, That our Florida Medical Association advocates for increased payment rates for diagnosing autism spectrum disorder in toddlers (aged 18 months to 48 months) for all physicians practicing within their scope of practice, and for payors to eliminate barriers that restrict payment for appropriate testing under 3 years of age.

~~RESOLVED, our Florida Medical Association encourages the expansion of parent-mediated therapy programs, providing funding for healthcare providers, therapists, and community organizations whether through public or private insurers, Early Steps, or other government sources to offer evidence-based interventions for autism spectrum disorder (such as PLAY Project, FloorTime, PRT, ESDM, and ImPACT).~~



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[Public Policy Compendium: P 90.027](#)

Resolution 25-103
Opposition to Legislative Mandates on Medical School Grading Systems
FMA Medical Student Section

House Action: Adopted as amended

RESOLVED, That the Florida Medical Association affirms that grading practices in medical education should be determined by medical school leadership in consultation with national accrediting bodies, not through legislative mandates; and be it further

RESOLVED, That the Florida Medical Association opposes any provision of state legislation ~~including but not limited to Section 1004.099 of House Bill 731 (2025), which requires letter grading in medical education as such mandates that would~~ undermine evidence-based educational practice and institutional autonomy. ~~and be it further~~

~~RESOLVED, That the Florida Medical Association supports the continued use of pass/fail or two-interval grading systems where deemed appropriate by academic leadership, to promote medical student wellness, retention, and competency development.~~

[Public Policy Compendium: P 140.018](#)

Resolution 25-104
Protect Clinical Practice Freedoms for Florida Licensed Physicians
W. Campbell Douglass III, M.D.

House Action: Referred to the Board of Governors for decision

RESOLVED, That our Florida Medical Association expand the scope of Policy P 130.025 to explicitly protect the clinical practice freedoms of licensed physicians regarding not only off-label medication prescribing but also evidence-informed non-medication treatments and integrative therapies, when supported by reasonable scientific rationale, informed patient consent, and appropriate clinical monitoring, and be it further



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RESOLVED, That our Florida Medical Association advocate for amendments to Florida Statute § 456.41 to strengthen protections for licensed physicians from disciplinary action when using evidence-informed therapies that may deviate from conventional standards, provided they:

1. Document scientific support for the treatment from peer-reviewed literature, clinical experience, or recognized practice guidelines
2. Obtain and document comprehensive informed consent detailing risks, benefits, and alternatives
3. Maintain appropriate monitoring and follow-up of treatment outcomes
4. Adhere to their general scope-of-practice boundaries, and be it further

RESOLVED, That our Florida Medical Association advocates for reforms to the physician investigation and disciplinary process that would:

1. Require demonstration of actual patient harm rather than mere deviation from consensus before initiating investigations related to evidence-informed but non-consensus treatments
2. Establish clear standards for peer review that include physicians experienced in integrative medicine and non-conventional approaches
3. Provide due process protections and financial support for physicians facing regulatory actions related to evidence-informed treatments that deviate from conventional standards, and be it further

RESOLVED, That our Florida Medical Association, consistent with its opposition to non-medical interference in clinical decision-making expressed in Resolution 22-309, actively opposes attempts by the Florida Medical Board, Federation of State Medical Boards, or other regulatory entities to restrict the clinical practice freedoms of licensed physicians when using evidence-informed therapies with proper informed consent, and be it further

RESOLVED, That our Florida Medical Association create a task force to develop comprehensive clinical practice freedom guidelines that balance patient safety with physician autonomy, with representation from both conventional and integrative medicine practitioners, and report recommendations to the membership within one year.

Resolution 25-105
Supporting Provisional Licensure for Anesthesiologist Assistants
Florida Society of Anesthesiologists

House Action: Adopted



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RESOLVED, that the FMA will support the FSA through legislative or regulatory efforts to create a pathway for provisional licensure in the State of Florida for AA graduates of an approved training program who are registered for the next available exam administered by the NCCAA.

[Public Policy Compendium: P 285.034](#)

[Legislative Compendium: L 20.065](#)

Resolution 25-201

Establish an Official FMA “Florida’s Doctors’ Day” in Tallahassee

Hillsborough County Medical Association

House Action: Referred to the Board of Governors for decision

RESOLVED, The FMA establishes an official, recurring FMA “Florida Doctors’ Day” during or around each session where the FMA strategically coordinates with members to meet with legislative leaders; and be it further

RESOLVED, The FMA uses “Florida Doctors’ Day” to educate members on the legislative process and train them to better advocate for physicians; and be it further

RESOLVED, The FMA set up or utilize a current committee to oversee the yearly “Florida Doctors’ Day”, whose duties would include planning, coordinating with county organizations for legislative meetings, finding speakers to educate members, establishing an organized PR campaign, and coordinating with patients and patient groups to maximize our advocacy efforts.

Resolution 25-202

Improving Accessibility to Safe Disposal of Home-Generated Sharps

FMA Medical Student Section

House Action: **Adopted as amended**

RESOLVED, that the Florida Medical Association encourages physicians to ensure that their patients are educated on practices for safe home management and disposal of sharps; and be it further



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~~RESOLVED, that the Florida Medical Association supports increased accessibility to methods for safe home management of sharps by encouraging medical suppliers to provide sharps containers to patients alongside unused sharps, and encouraging clinics, pharmacies, hospitals, and nursing homes to accept home-generated sharps for disposal. encourage those entities that dispense sharps to accept them back from the patient for safe disposal.~~

RESOLVED, that the FMA provide physicians with information to provide to their patients on appropriate patient sharp disposal and locations for disposal.

[Public Policy Compendium: P 360.011](#)

Resolution 25-203
Support Independent Private Practice

Rebecca Peck, M.D.

House Action: Referred to the Board of Governors for decision

RESOLVED, that our Florida Medical Association support policies, regulations and legislation that help reduce barriers for physicians to choose independent practice, including such recommendations to: 1. provide state-funded grants or low-interest loans to help physicians start up practices in shortage areas and/or forgive medical student loan debt, 2. support provision of state-funded free EHRs for independent physicians and 3. help private physicians negotiate comparable reimbursement rates with larger health systems, and be it further

RESOLVED, that our Florida Medical Association perform a study of other ways to address the top barriers to independent practice (which are due to financial, administrative, and market consolidation issues) and present these suggestions by the next annual conference.

Resolution 25-204
Establish a Dedicated "Integrative Medicine" Section

W. Campbell Douglass III, M.D.

House Action: **Not adopted**



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RESOLVED, That the FMA Bylaws Chapter IX, Section 2 ("Chartered County Medical Societies") be amended to include an "Integrative Medicine Section" under the Specialty Society Section, and be it further

RESOLVED, That physicians eligible for membership in the Integrative Medicine Section must hold active FMA membership and that a minimum of ten certified members be required to establish the section, consistent with AMA specialty society guidelines, and be it further

RESOLVED, That the Integrative Medicine Section shall elect one delegate to the FMA House of Delegates and one representative to the Board of Governors via the Specialty Society Section, and be it further

RESOLVED, That the section shall develop policy recommendations concerning evidence-based integrative therapies (such as UV light applications and nutritional interventions), regulatory barriers to non-pharmacological treatments, and continuing medical education (CME) standards for integrative care, and be it further

RESOLVED, That the section submit an annual report to the Board of Governors demonstrating participation in FMA meetings and the development of at least one CME course or policy resolution, with failure to meet these requirements for two consecutive years resulting in dissolution in accordance with FMA Bylaws §22, and be it further

RESOLVED, That the FMA collaborate with county medical societies and the Council on Legislation to advance this resolution and to align with Florida Statute § 456.41 regarding patient consent for alternative therapies, with a goal to submit for consideration at the 2026 Annual Meeting.

Resolution 25-205

Regaining Public Trust

Florida Chapter, American College of Physicians

House Action: Referred to the Board of Governors for study and report back



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RESOLVED, That the Florida Medical Association begin a public trust education campaign focused upon explaining the basic ethics underlying the scientific evidence-based practice of medicine; and be it further

RESOLVED, That the Florida Medical Association develop and publicly announce its positions on legislation regarding the practice of medicine as it affects both physicians and patients, basing such positions using the principles of medical ethics and scientific evidence-based medicine as outlined by the American Medical Association and other professional societies.

Resolution 25-206

Petition the American Medical Association (AMA) To Redirect a percentage of funds generated by the Current Procedural Terminology (CPT®) Code Royalties to Challenge CMS Regulatory Overreach Post-Chevron

Ellen W. McKnight, M.D.

House Action: Not adopted

RESOLVED, That the Florida Medical Association delegation to the American Medical Association, in collaboration with other state and specialty medical associations, introduce a resolution at the next AMA Annual Meeting that would require the AMA to allocate a portion of its CPT code royalty revenue to fund the following: (1) research on the legality of CMS regulations on physician practices and litigation to challenge such regulations, if warranted; and (2) efforts to challenge bureaucratic overreach, reduce healthcare costs, improve patient care, and enhance physician retention; and be it further

RESOLVED, That the resolution introduced by the FMA delegation requires the AMA to provide annual progress reports to the House of Delegates on the amount of CPT code royalty revenue allocated for this purpose and a detailed accounting of how the funds were spent.



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Resolution 25-301

Expanding the Use and Availability of Medication-Assisted Treatment for Opioid Use Disorder in Florida

FMA Medical Student Section

House Action: Adopted as amended

RESOLVED, That our Florida Medical Association supports legislation that eliminates barriers and reduces stigma to ~~Medication-Assisted Treatment~~ Medications for Opioid Use Disorder programs; ~~for opioid use disorder~~; and be it further

RESOLVED, That our Florida Medical Association supports legislation that will increase state funding to expand the quantity and improve the quality of ~~Medication-Assisted Treatment~~ Medications for Opioid Use Disorder programs.

[Public Policy Compendium: P 125.006](#)

[Legislative Compendium: L 25.075](#)

Resolution 25-302

Restoration of Due Process and Legal Protections for Physicians in Hospital Peer Review Proceedings South Florida Caucus

House Action: Adopted as amended

RESOLVED, That the Florida Medical Association formally recognize that Florida Statutes 395.0191 and 395.0193 unjustly deprive physicians of due process, obstruct access to fair legal remedy, and harm the integrity of medical practice in the state; and be it further

RESOLVED, That the Florida Medical Association seek and support legislation to amend these statutes by:

- Eliminating the requirement for pre-litigation financial bonds;
- Restoring the legal standard of "malice" as sufficient for claims against peer review misconduct;
- Ensuring parity in legal cost recovery, so prevailing physicians may be reimbursed for their legal expenses; and



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- Narrowing the scope of immunity to exclude actions taken with malice, in violation of the Hospital's bylaws, or retaliatory intent.

~~RESOLVED, That the Florida Medical Association work in collaboration with physician advocacy groups, legal experts, and legislators to draft and promote this legislation during the next legislative session; and be it further~~

~~RESOLVED, That the Florida Medical Association launch an awareness campaign to educate physicians about these statutes, their legal implications, and their rights to due process; and be it further~~

~~RESOLVED, That our FMA provide support in the form of amicus briefs in lawsuits that are brought forth by physicians, in efforts to challenge current coded peer review statutes that violate a physician's constitutional rights.~~

[Public Policy Compendium: P 370.018](#)

[Legislative Compendium: L 20.066](#)

Resolution 25-303

Improving Transparency and Regulation of Pharmacy Benefit Managers (PBMs) to Protect Physician Autonomy and Patient Access to Care in Florida

FMA Medical Student Section

House Action: Adopted as amended

~~RESOLVED, That the Florida Medical Association support and pursue legislation related to P 300.030 and P 300.033, requiring PBMs to publicly disclose the use of sole source contracts, and the rationale behind formulary changes, including documentation of financial conflicts of interest within pharmacy and therapeutics (P&T) committees; and be it further~~

~~RESOLVED, That the Florida Medical Association supports and pursues legislation requiring PBMs to disclose the methodology, timing, and total amounts associated with direct and indirect remuneration (DIR) fees, and to provide this information in a standardized, accessible format to pharmacies, prescribers, and regulators in both public and private insurance markets; and be it further~~

~~RESOLVED, That the Florida Medical Association supports and pursues legislation requiring PBMs~~



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to provide timely notice to prescribers and patients when formulary changes, step therapy updates, or prior authorization requirements alter drug coverage or cost-sharing responsibilities.

[Public Policy Compendium: P 300.035](#)

[Legislative Compendium: L 5.048](#)

Resolution 25-304

Protection of Florida Freshwater Recreation for Children Against Deadly *Naegleria fowleri* and Other Warm Water Pathogens and Rapid Diagnosis

Physicians Society of Central Florida

House Action: Adopted as amended with title change

RESOLVED, That the Florida Medical Association ~~seek~~ support legislation that will strengthen protections for children engaging in freshwater recreational activities, to include enhanced public awareness of the dangers of *Naegleria* and other warm water pathogens through signage displayed at recreational water facilities, mandatory safety guidelines for recreational water facilities, and the establishment of regulatory frameworks overseeing water quality in freshwater bodies frequented by children; and be it further

RESOLVED, That the Florida Medical Association will work with relevant stakeholders, including state public health agencies, educational institutions, and community organizations, to advocate for and support the implementation of this legislation to protect the health of Florida's children; and be it further

RESOLVED, That the FMA work collaboratively with the Florida College of Emergency Physicians to increase awareness of rapid *Naegleria* antigen PCR tests, and other warm water pathogens, and awareness of other presumptive treatments pending identification, and the need for high index of suspicion in children with freshwater exposures plus fever and headache.

[Public Policy Compendium: P 420.050](#)

[Legislative Compendium: L 25.076](#)

Resolution 25-305

Protecting Patients from Misuse of Artificial Intelligence (AI) in Healthcare

Collier County Medical Society and Hillsborough County Medical Association

House Action: Adopted with substituted language



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RESOLVED, that Florida Medical Association will seek legislation to ensure that no diagnosis, treatment decision, or decision/recommendation concerning a patient may be made solely based on output from an artificial intelligence (AI) system or algorithm and that all such outputs must be reviewed and approved by a qualified physician licensed under Chapter 458 or 459 and acting within the scope of their professional licensure and clinical expertise.

Public Policy Compendium: P 220.019

Legislative Compendium: L 35.030

Resolution 25-306

Ensuring Continued Funding for the Florida Maternal Mortality Review Committee and the Florida Perinatal Quality Collaborative

American College of Obstetricians and Gynecologists, District XII

House Action: Adopted as amended

RESOLVED, That the Florida Medical Association (FMA) supports legislation that ensures continued funding for the full operating expenses of the Florida Maternal Mortality Review Committee (MMRC) and the Florida Perinatal Quality Collaborative (FPQC) ~~should federal funding for them be reduced or eliminated through state and or federal funding.~~

Public Policy Compendium: P 420.051

Legislative Compendium: L 20.067

Resolution 25-307

Providing Better Information Regarding the Causes of Maternal Deaths in Florida

American College of Obstetricians and Gynecologists, District XII

House Action: Adopted with substituted language

RESOLVED, That the Florida Medical Association (FMA) supports legislation that requires a medical examiner performed autopsy in cases of maternal death during pregnancy or up to 1-year postpartum, absent objection of family or unless an autopsy is already compelled by statute.

Public Policy Compendium: P 420.052

Legislative Compendium: L 25.077

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Resolution 25-308

Medical Necessity of Electrocardiograms for High School Student Athletes Florida Academy of Family Physicians

House Action: Referred to the Board of Governors for decision

RESOLVED, That the Florida Medical Association encourage the state medical societies who supported or had concerns with SB 1070 during the 2025 legislative session to meet and determine if there is agreement on the issue of whether the new requirement that high school students obtain at least one electrocardiogram screening prior to participating in interscholastic athletic competition is reasonable from an evidenced-based, medical standard of care standpoint and from a logistical and socioeconomic perspective; and be it further

RESOLVED, That if there is agreement among the interested medical specialty societies the electrocardiogram screening requirement of SB 1070, or any component of the bill should be changed, the Florida Medical Association seek to persuade the Florida High School Athletic Association to change its bylaws accordingly, or if not practical, support legislation to fix the problems identified in SB 1070.

Resolution 25-401

Prevent patients from being “trapped” into Medicare Advantage Plans South Florida Caucus

House Action: **Adopted as amended**

RESOLVED, That our FMA will write a letter to the Florida insurance commissioner requesting that seniors receive a document from the State of Florida describing that Medicare Advantage plans are NOT Medicare but rather plans that are administered by private companies, and networks and in network physicians can change and be restricted in the future, the preapproval process may delay or deny care felt necessary by a physician, out of pocket costs may be much higher with chronic conditions than original Medicare especially if due to restricted networks and one has to get care out of network, and patients who joint Medicare Advantage plans often find it difficult to



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go back to original Medicare and purchase a secondary medigap plan if they have preexisting conditions and seniors should be made aware of the differences in fees and commissions that insurance brokers are paid between Medicare Advantage plans and a Medigap plans; and be it further

~~RESOLVED, That if the Florida Insurance Commission does not feel that patients who join Medicare Advantage plans need to get full disclosure of the information above then our FMA will work with interested legislators to advance legislation that mandates that seniors are adequately informed of the differences and pitfalls of Medicare Advantage plans over Original Medicare, so our patients are not “trapped” into Medicare Advantage plans; and be it further~~

RESOLVED, That our FMA will design a handout that physicians who wish to inform their patients can print for their waiting rooms and place on their websites describing the information above regarding the differences in coverage, cost, and potential difficulties in leaving a Medicare Advantage plan.

[Public Policy Compendium: P 325.029](#)

Resolution 25-402
Enhancing Oversight and Transparency in Healthcare Transactions
South Florida Caucus

House Action: Adopted

RESOLVED, that the Florida Medical Association advocates for the implementation of legislative measures in Florida to:

1. **Expand Oversight:** Broaden the scope of state health authorities to review and monitor significant healthcare transactions involving private equity firms, REITs, and MSOs.
2. **Mandate Reporting:** Require entities involved in such transactions to provide detailed disclosures regarding ownership structures, financial arrangements, and potential impacts on patient care services.
3. **Ensure Accountability:** Establish mechanisms to hold entities accountable for maintaining or improving the quality and accessibility of healthcare services post-transaction.



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4. **Protect Patient Interests:** Implement safeguards to prevent any adverse effects on patient care resulting from changes in ownership or management of healthcare facilities; And be it further

RESOLVED, that the Florida Medical Association collaborates with state legislators, physicians, and other stakeholders to draft and promote legislation reflecting these principles, ensuring that healthcare delivery in Florida remains transparent, accountable, and patient-centered.

[Public Policy Compendium: P 360.012](#)

Resolution 25-403

Facilitating Accurate and Detailed Hospital Price Transparency for Patients

FMA Medical Student Section

House Action: **Adopted with substituted language**

RESOLVED, the Florida Medical Association send a letter of support to Florida Attorney General James Uthmeier encouraging his office's continued efforts to enforce Florida's hospital price transparency law, 395.301, F.S., as an initiative of great public importance for patients in the State of Florida; and be it further

RESOLVED, that the Florida Medical Association work to educate physicians and patients about new and existing price transparency laws.

[Public Policy Compendium: P 240.011](#)

Resolution 25-404

Limitation on Disclosure of Medical Malpractice History

Lee County Medical Society

House Action: **Adopt as amended**

RESOLVED, that all relevant medical entities of the State of Florida—including, but not limited to, employers, hospitals, insurance providers, and legal or regulatory bodies—should limit requests for a physician's malpractice history to incidents settlements and judgments attributable to the physician occurring within the most recent ten (10) years.

[Public Policy Compendium: P 283.027](#)



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Resolution 25-405

Florida Medicaid Payment for Physician Work Through Adequate CPT Code Coverage

Florida Chapter - American Academy of Pediatrics, Florida Chapter - American College of Physicians

House Action: Adopted

RESOLVED, That our FMA advocate for Florida Statewide Medicaid Managed Care (SMMC) plans and the Florida Medicaid Fee-for-Service program to fully cover CPT codes that help physicians to practice medicine and be paid for their time and expertise without reducing the value for any other codes; and be it further

RESOLVED, That our FMA advocate for Florida SMMC plans and the Florida Medicaid Fee-for-Service program to fully cover CPT codes and services that are required under the federal EPSDT benefit, including preventive screenings, diagnostic follow-up, and treatment services consistent with Bright Futures guidelines from the American Academy of Pediatrics (AAP); and be it further

RESOLVED, That our FMA advocate for transparency in SMMC plan coverage policies regarding the coverage and payment of physician CPT codes not listed in the state fee schedule, so that physicians can reliably access payment for medically necessary services; and be it further

RESOLVED, That our FMA collaborate with state specialty societies to develop and submit to the Florida Agency for Health Care Administration (AHCA) a prioritized list of essential CPT codes for standardized recognition and payment by Florida Medicaid plans.

[Public Policy Compendium: P 300.036](#)

[Legislative Compendium: L 35.031](#)