



2016 AMA Annual Meeting Report

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MedChi Resolutions

- ▶ **There were no Resolutions to AMA submitted from our MedChi HOD during this Annual meeting**

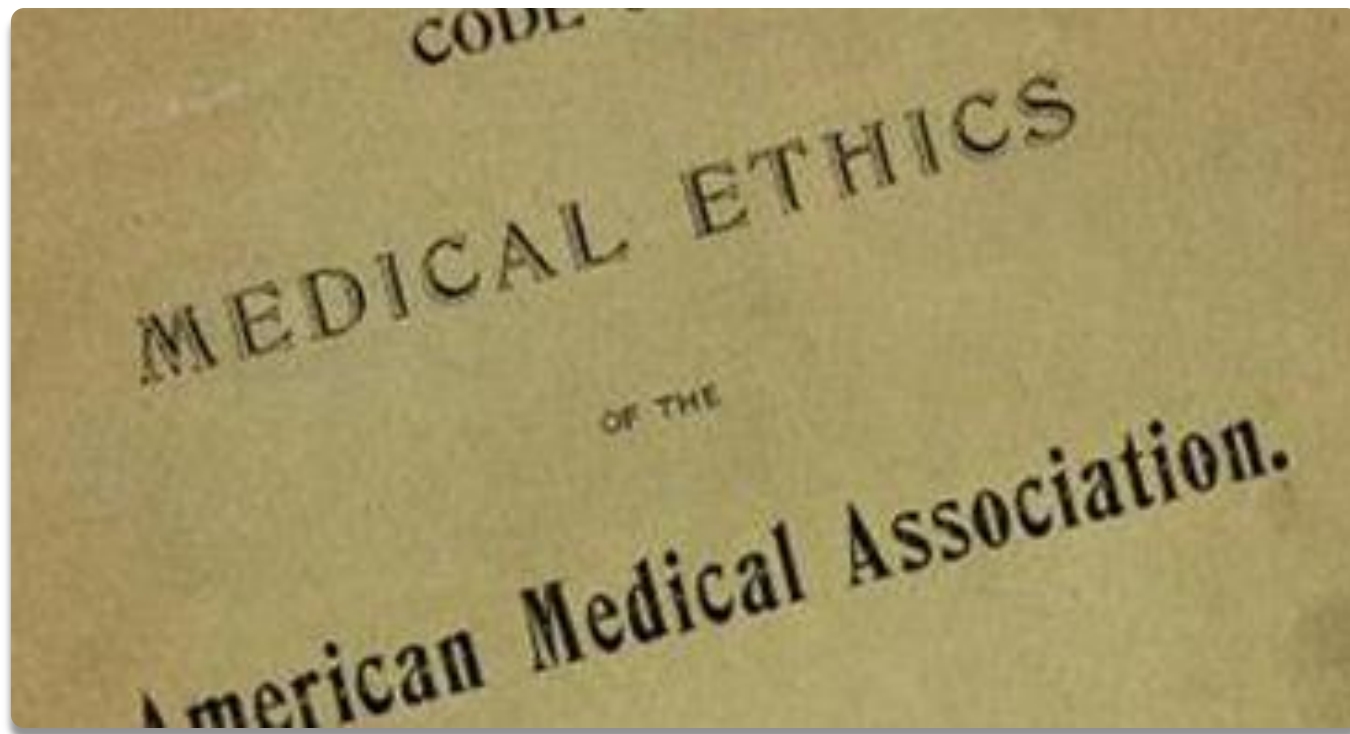
Follow up on MedChi resolution from A-15

- ▶ **Res. 425 “Ban on Powdered Alcohol”**
 - ▶ **In A-15 the Resolution was referred to the Board and sent to the Council on Science and Public Health (CSAPH). Dr. Smoller is a council member.**
 - ▶ **At A-16 CSAPH 4 report passed with the following recommendation adopted:**

That our AMA supports federal and state laws banning the manufacture, importation, distribution and sale of powdered or crystalline alcohol intended for human consumption. (New HOD policy)

Annual 2016 Major Moments

- ▶ Issues of Continued Interest from A-16
 - ▶ AMA Code of Medical Ethics
 - ▶ IT PASSED; after 6 years of working on it CEJA with the special reference committee on which Dr. David Hexter served since 2015, the code was updated and passed by the AMA HOD at this Annual meeting!!!
 - ▶ New Parliamentary Authority
 - ▶ The Special committee appointed last fall was successful in addressing the concerns of HOD members with the new Parliamentary authority. The Speakers report was accepted and the Council on Constitution and Bylaws (CCB) will make the appropriate changes to the HOD Reference Manual (AMA HOD rules of order) in the next several months.
 - ▶ Maintenance of Certification and Licensing (MOC and MOL)
 - ▶ Emphasis was put on MOC not being used to limit physicians ability to practice/deliver care by insurers, hospitals or regulators.



AMA Code of Medical Ethics passed

After almost 50 years the code was modernized and passed at Annual 2016

Recent and Ongoing Issues of Organized Medicine Concerns

- ▶ 111 Single Payer study
- ▶ 110 support
- ▶ 103
- ▶ BOT 19, BOT 15 (Triple S representation proposal)
- ▶ 204, 212, 217, 219, 223
- ▶ BOT 16 champions
- ▶ BOT 21, 706
- ▶ Leo Award 233

General Meeting News

- ▶ **Congressman Dr. Tom Price MD**, Republican from Georgia, serving his 10th year in the House and now **Chair of the House Budget Committee** again talked to the SE breakfast about what he thought may happen with the new administration this fall. Dr. Price is monitoring and carrying physicians concerns about MACRA, MBIPs and APMs.
- ▶ He encourages physicians to run for office. He continues to sponsor legislation supported by AMA.

CONGRATUATIONS MEDCHI: FIRST AMA BOARD OF TRUSTEES MEMBER ELECTED IN OVER 20 YEARS!

- ▶ **WILLARDA V. EDWARDS, MD, MBA, FACP** was successfully elected (on the first ballot!) to the **AMA BOT**. Congratulations are due to the MedChi staff, the Maryland AMA delegation, **Ashtin Jeney** (med student), **Megan Srivinas** (resident) and the SE Delegation leadership and members. It could not have been done as seamlessly without the intense direction and brilliance of campaign manager, **Dr. Shannon Pryor!**
- ▶ **Shannon Pryor, MD** was appointed to the **Council on Long Range Planning (CLRPD)**. Dr. David Nagel was the last Maryland physician to serve on this Council.
- ▶ **Omar Z. Maniya** elected in November 2015 joins Dr. E on the **AMA Board of Trustees**. Omar is an MD/MBA student at Georgetown University School of Medicine & Harvard Business School.
- ▶ **Ashtin Jeney**, is a second-year medical student at the George Washington University in D.C., who is the Region 6 alternate delegate and was a major asset in the AMA BOT election.



2016 New AMA Board of Trustees members

Dr. Willarda V. Edwards, Dr. William (Bill) McDade, Omar Maniya and Kevin Williams
(Corporate Board member)

Thank You

- ▶ **As always, we are grateful for the great staff work of Gene Ransom, Debbie Sciabarrasi and Catherine Johannesen before and during the meeting. I am also grateful for all the excellent work done by your delegation at the meeting.**
- ▶ **Thanks to the MedChi House of Delegates for sending such a great delegation to AMA from Maryland.**
- ▶ **You have our heartfelt thank you for the opportunity to serve. Our team IS the little engine that Could!**

Thank YOU for the past 19 years

- ▶ It is with excitement for the future, that I say my last goodbye as a delegate to our AMA House of Delegates.
- ▶ Bruce Smoller stood in for me during this Annual meeting as Vice Chair of the Delegation and I know he stands ready to move on to chair our Maryland representatives.
- ▶ I have no doubt that our Maryland HOD will bring on new and dynamic members to continue the work we have done for decades in organized medicine on a national level.
- ▶ My heartfelt thank you to all! I will do my best to represent us well now at the Board level.