

MEDCHI, THE MARYLAND STATE MEDICAL SOCIETY
HOUSE OF DELEGATES

Resolution 20-17

INTRODUCED BY: Montgomery County Medical Society

SUBJECT: Withhold for Patients' Non-completion of Coordination of Insurance
Benefits Form

1 Whereas, physicians provide care to patients who may have more than one insurance policy which covers
2 said treatment; and

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4 Whereas, often patients do not provide information about all policies or coverage which pertains to their
5 health care; and

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7 Whereas, physicians submit claims to insurance companies based on the information provided by the
8 patient; and

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10 Whereas, the insurance carriers have begun to withhold a portion of payment from the physician when the
11 patient has not completed a Coordination of Benefits form; and

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13 Resolved, that MedChi develop regulation and/or legislation which would make it illegal to withhold
14 payment from physicians for patients' non completion of a Coordination of Benefits form when care has
15 already been rendered and a claim submitted to the patient's insurance carrier on record.

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18 At its meeting on September 23, 2017, the House of Delegates referred Resolution 20-17 to the Board of
19 Trustees with report back at the next House of Delegates meeting.