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MEDCHI RECEIVES KEY APPOINTMENTS TO AMERICAN MEDICAL SOCIETY COMMITTEES

BALTIMORE, February 6, 2013 —The AMA has recently announced that MedChi, The Maryland State Medical Society received appointments to the AMA Litigation Center Executive Committee and the AMA Scope of Practice Partnership (SOPP) Steering Committee for the 2013-2014 term. Brian Avin, MD President of MedChi expressed excitement regarding the appointments, explaining “MedChi clearly continues to show its leadership role on a national level.”

The Litigation Center of the AMA is the voice of America's medical profession in legal proceedings around the country. The Litigation Center provides physicians with legal assistance and expertise and is an unincorporated association among the American Medical Association, the state medical societies and the Medical Society of the District of Columbia, organized to coordinate litigation within the Federation of Medicine. Its purpose is to advance American Medical Association policies through the American legal system, including courts, administrative agencies, and alternative dispute bodies. Stephen Johnson, Esq., MedChi's long time General Counsel, will serve as the representative, expressed appreciation for the appointment.

Gene M. Ransom, MedChi CEO, will represent MedChi on the AMA Scope of Practice Partnership Steering Committee. The SOPP was formed in 2006 to challenge inappropriate scope of practice expansions, such as those that are not commensurate with a non-physician provider group's education and training. Ransom explained “this important role will allow us to promote MedChi's mission as the foremost advocate for physicians, patients and the public health of Maryland on an entirely new level.” Ransom is the first Marylander to be appointed to this important Committee.

About MedChi

MedChi, The Maryland State Medical Society, is a non-profit membership association of Maryland physicians. It is the largest physician organization in Maryland. The mission of MedChi is to serve as Maryland's foremost advocate and resource for physicians, their patients and the public health of Maryland. For more information, please visit www.medchi.org.