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MEDCHI TO HOLD SEMI-ANNUAL MEETING APRIL 27th

“Policy issues under consideration include school lunch policies and sugary drinks”

BALTIMORE, April 26, 2013 — MedChi, The Maryland State Medical Society, will host their annual Spring House of Delegates meeting on Saturday April 27, 2013. During this meeting MedChi will discuss numerous resolutions, including several public health and system reform issues.

The Queen Anne’s County Medical Society is asking MedChi to establish a healthy school lunch policy. The resolution asks MedChi to study their policy with regard to School lunches, with an emphasis on examining effective practices in schools, which would have a positive impact on students’ nutrition, health, and physical well-being that are affordable and promote the long-term health, life-long learning, and overall well-being of our children.

Another resolution under consideration, from the Montgomery County Medical Society, asks for education of the public regarding health issues associated with sugary beverages. According to the resolution sugary drinks are the largest source of added sugar in a child’s diet and have been linked with higher rates of childhood obesity, diabetes, high blood pressure and stroke.

The full agenda and business of the House of Delegates can be found on our website, www.medchi.org/hod.

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.