

MEDCHI HOUSE OF DELEGATES

FINAL REPORTS AND RESOLUTIONS

Actions Taken by the MedChi House of Delegates at its meeting on April 28, 2024

ADOPTED

Board of Trustees Report 1-24 (Information) – Follow up to Resolutions from Fall 2023 House of Delegates Meeting

Council on Medical Economics Report 1-24 – Report Back to House of Delegates on Referred Resolutions

Resolution 1-24 – Prevention and Detection of Colorectal Cancer

Resolution 1-24 was adopted by the House of Delegates as follows:

Resolved, that MedChi aid in expanding colorectal cancer awareness in Maryland and; be it further

Resolved, that MedChi support efforts to increase colorectal cancer screening and treatment in Maryland.

Resolution 2-24 – Youth Vaping Prevention

Resolution 2-24 was adopted by the House of Delegates as follows:

Resolved, that MedChi supports the inclusion of all forms of e-cigarettes (e.g., disposable, refillable cartridge, and tank-based e-cigarettes) in the language and implementation of relevant nicotine-based policies and regulations by the Food and Drug Administration or other regulatory agencies.

Resolution 3-24 – Electronic Health Record Vendors

Resolution 3-24 was amended and adopted by the House of Delegates as follows:

Resolved, that MedChi research the practices of electronic health record vendors to determine their compliance with Maryland law with respect to storage, maintenance, and dissemination of patient records on the occasion of a medical practice's closing and report the findings of such research to the MedChi House of Delegates and entire membership at its next meeting; and be it further

Resolved, that MedChi provide guidance to physicians concerning the retention of records and notification to patients about records when they are closing their practices and report back to the

House of Delegates at its next meeting.

Resolution 4-24 – Expansion of Residency Slots in Rural and Underserved Areas of Maryland

Resolution 4-24 was amended and adopted by the House of Delegates as follows:

Resolved, that the MedChi House of Delegates supports the inclusion of discussions regarding the expansion of residency slots in rural and underserved areas of Maryland as part of the Advancing All-Payer Health Equity Approaches and Development (AHEAD) initiative; and be it further

Resolved, that MedChi urge policymakers, medical institutions, and relevant stakeholders to support the allocation of resources and funding towards increasing residency slots in rural and underserved areas of Maryland, with a focus on specialties that are most needed in these communities.

Resolution 5-24 – Implementation of an Enhanced Curriculum of Contraception Counseling for Internal Medicine Residents

Resolution 5-24 was adopted by the House of Delegates as follows:

Resolved, that MedChi encourage Maryland residency programs to integrate curricula that emphasizes contraception training for internal medicine residents and to undertake efforts to better equip physicians to care for women of childbearing age; and be it further

Resolved, that MedChi encourage internal medicine residency programs to enhance the current three-year curricula in place to include a more extensive discussion on different methods of contraception, their side effects, and level of effectiveness for patients seeking contraception and to develop curricula that addresses the education gap of contraception counseling and the resulting lack of confidence in addressing this topic on preventive visits.