MEDCHI, THE MARYLAND STATE MEDICAL SOCIETY
HOUSE OF DELEGATES

Resolution 22-18

INTRODUCED BY: Howard County Medical Society

SUBJECT: Medicaid Prescription Drug Coverage - Non-Participating Practitioner

Whereas, Maryland Medicaid has enacted a policy that denies coverage for prescriptions written by a non-participating practitioner; and

Whereas, Medicaid patients have difficulty accessing a participating practitioner due to the shortage of participating practitioners, especially among certain specialties; and

Whereas, many medical assistance patients lack the resources to pay out of pocket for prescriptions; and

Whereas, barriers to care, including prescriptions, can cause harm to patients and lead to poor outcomes; therefore be it

Resolved, that MedChi will urge our AMA to petition the Center for Medicare and Medicaid Services to rescind the policy of denying Medicaid patients coverage of medications that are prescribed by a non-participating practitioner.

As amended and adopted by the House of Delegates at its meeting on September 22, 2018.