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

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

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

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

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

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

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