MEDCHI, THE MARYLAND STATE MEDICAL SOCIETY HOUSE OF DELEGATES

Resolution 9-13

INTRODUCED BY: Anne Arundel and Howard County Medical Societies

SUBJECT: Standards for Chart Audits

REFERRED TO: Reference Committee A

Whereas, Healthcare Effectiveness Data and Information Set (HEDIS), the State of Maryland and insurance carriers may request chart audits; and

Whereas, there are no regulations in Maryland for chart audits that would standardize auditors EHR logins, the number of charts that can be audited at one time, or limits on data collecting; and

Whereas, health care costs are increased due to the multiplicity of audit formats; and

Whereas, medical practices are not reimbursed for the overhead costs such as staffing, paper and ink used to comply with the audits; therefore be it

Resolved, that MedChi work within its means to encourage the development of guidelines for all chart audits that include the standardization of auditor EHR logins, limits on data collection, limits on the number of charts that can be audited at one time, and reimbursement for overhead costs; and be it further

Resolved, that MedChi encourage members to take advantage of coding review services offered by MedChi Network Services at a discounted membership rate.

As adopted by the House of Delegates at its meeting on September 21, 2013.