

MEDCHI, THE MARYLAND STATE MEDICAL SOCIETY  
HOUSE OF DELEGATES

Resolution 21-14

INTRODUCED BY: Baltimore County Medical Association

SUBJECT: Helping to Better Inform Legislators on Medical Matters

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1 Whereas, legislators are often poorly informed about many medical issues at the start of legislative sessions; and

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3 Whereas, public education about medical matters by the media is often very sketchy or biased by the particular  
4 inspiration of reporters, columnists, and editorial writers on the one hand and publishers financial interests on the  
5 other; and

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7 Whereas, medical information is constantly evolving and changing, and one newspaper source about medical  
8 information is rarely adequate; and

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10 Whereas, these days, many legislators use the internet to obtain information; and

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12 Whereas, the *AMA Morning Rounds* presents a very comprehensive summary of current medical issues and opinion  
13 in a reasonably balanced way; and

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15 Whereas, this summary is understandable to the layman as well as the medical professional and contains links to the  
16 longer articles which makes it easier to obtain more details and identification of the original sources; therefore be it

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18 Resolved, that MedChi as appropriate forward to the members of the Maryland legislature *the AMA Morning*  
19 *Rounds*; and

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21 Resolved, that MedChi ask the AMA to similarly send copies of the *AMA Morning Rounds* to members of  
22 Congress.

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25 As amended and adopted by the House of Delegates at its meeting on September 27, 2014.