## MEDCHI, THE MARYLAND STATE MEDICAL SOCIETY **HOUSE OF DELEGATES**

Montgomery County Medical Society

Resolution 23-15

SUBJECT: Interstate Medical Licensure Compact Whereas, 22% of physicians nationally hold active licenses in more than one jurisdiction; and Whereas, the Washington Metropolitan Area is composed of three jurisdictions, with many physicians practicing in all three jurisdictions; and Whereas, the federal government has required licensure in only one state or territory for its physicians for many years without any adverse consequences; and Whereas, the growth and advancement of telemedicine often requires that physicians be licensed in multiple jurisdictions; and Whereas, applying for additional state licensure is an expensive and time-consuming process that is for the most part redundant and adds little additional protection to the public; and Whereas, the Federation of State Medical Boards has adopted policy recommending that state medical boards offer an expedited licensure by endorsement process to physicians who meet certain qualifications and has developed model legislation; and Whereas, the American Medical Association has endorsed the Interstate Medical Licensure Compact; and Whereas, eight states have already adopted the Interstate Medical Licensure Compact and ten medical societies have endorsed it; therefore be it Resolved, that MedChi supports adoption of the Interstate Medical Licensure Compact; and be it further Resolved, that MedChi work legislatively in consultation with the Maryland Board of Physicians for Maryland to enter into the Interstate Medical Licensure Compact. As amended and adopted by the House of Delegates at its meeting on September 19, 2015.

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