

## 2014 Final House of Delegates Action on Resolutions and Board Reports

**Resolution 101** recommended Wisconsin adopt the use of sobriety checkpoints to deter driving while intoxicated and to pursue legislation overturning the state's current statutory ban on the use of such checkpoints.

**Action: Adopted As Amended**

~~RESOLVED, That the Wisconsin Medical Society support the use of sobriety checkpoints to deter driving while intoxicated; and be it further~~

RESOLVED, That the Wisconsin Medical Society pursue support legislation to overturn the ~~current~~ statutory ban on the use of sobriety checkpoints in Wisconsin.

**Resolution 102** required the Society to develop a plan informing patients of their ability to opt out of state and federal databases in response to multiple federal laws that endanger patient privacy and medical freedom. The Resolution also required the Society to educate the public on how to seek medical care from physicians who do not input patient records into networked computer systems.

**Action: Not Adopted**

**Resolution 103** asked that the Society acknowledge that maintenance of certification is costly, time consuming, and may disrupt patient care. It requests petitioning the AMA to work toward elimination of required MOC, and urges the Society to oppose MOC as a condition of medical licensure and usurpation of state licensure powers by the federal government.

**Action: First, Second and Fourth Resolveds Referred to Board of Directors**

**Action: Third Resolved Adopted as Amended**

~~RESOLVED, That the Wisconsin Medical Society will oppose mandatory maintenance of certification as a condition of medical licensure, and will encourage physicians to constantly strive to improve patient care by whatever means they find to be most effective; and be it further~~

**Resolution 104** asked the Society to promote a coordinated health care response for sex trafficking victims and compile an organized reference of resources and screening tools available to health care providers in this area.

**Action: Referred to Board of Directors**

**Resolution 105** required that insurance policies provide a specific number of no deductible, no co-pay medical visits related to treatment for chronic illnesses.

**Action: Proposed Amendment Referred to Board of Directors**

RESOLVED, That our Wisconsin Medical Society study the concept of having insurance policies include a specified number of no deductible, no co-insurance visits for the treatment of specific chronic diseases where there is good evidence that early treatment is effective in reducing disease burden in the population and where delayed treatment will have public health consequences for the population; and be it further

RESOLVED, That this be referred to the AMA at its Interim 2014 meeting.

**Resolution 106** encouraged more study of high deductible health insurance plans to determine their effect on health care costs both now and in the future.

**Action: Referred to Board of Directors**

**RESOLUTION 103 - 2014**

Subject: Maintenance of Certification  
Introduced by: Winnebago County Medical Society  
Referred to: Health Insurance Coverage and Access

1 Whereas, The Federation of State Medical Boards seeks to impose additional requirements upon  
2 physicians for state licensure known as maintenance of licensure (MOL), and

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4 Whereas, The certification boards have imposed costly and time consuming requirements upon  
5 physicians for board recertification known as maintenance of certification (MOC); and

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7 Whereas, Maintenance of certification tends to encourage the early retirement of excellent  
8 physicians who are providing much needed quality care; and

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10 Whereas, There is no evidence that maintenance of certification has improved the quality of care;  
11 therefore be it

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13 **RESOLVED**, That the Wisconsin Medical Society acknowledge that maintenance of certification  
14 is costly, time consuming, and may disrupt patient care; and be it further

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16 **RESOLVED**, That the Wisconsin Medical Society will petition the AMA to work with the  
17 American Board of Medical Specialties to eliminate the requirement of maintenance of  
18 certification; and be it further

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20 **RESOLVED**, That the Wisconsin Medical Society will oppose mandatory maintenance of  
21 certification as a condition of medical licensure and will encourage physicians to constantly strive  
22 to improve patient care by whatever means they find to be most effective; and be it further

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24 **RESOLVED**, That the Wisconsin Medical Society will oppose usurpation of state licensure  
25 powers by the federal government.

Fiscal note: Within current budget if it replaces an existing legislative priority.

**Relevant Policies**

**Society:**

**MEB-013**

**Maintenance of Licensure:** The Wisconsin Medical Society opposes the public reporting of individual physician performance data for maintenance of licensure and maintenance of certification; and advocates that the Wisconsin Medical Examining Board should accept that physicians enrolled and who meet requirements of Maintenance of Certification or Osteopathic Continuous Certification will also simultaneously meet the requirements of Maintenance of Licensure. The Society advocates that reciprocity in maintenance of licensure between states should be championed; and advocates that flexibility must be incorporated into the maintenance of licensure and maintenance of certification process in order to accommodate all the roles and