

**FINAL HOUSE OF DELEGATES ACTION
ON ALL 2010 RESOLUTIONS**

REPORT OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS AND EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

RECOMMENDATION: The Reference Committee recommends acceptance of the 2010 Report of the Board of Directors and Executive Committee as submitted.

HOD ACTION: The report was accepted as presented.

RESOLUTION 10-01 **Introduced by Iowa Chapter, American College of Emergency Physicians and Iowa Association of County Medical Examiners
REQUIRE INSURANCE COMPANIES TO PROVIDE
PRESCRIPTION INFORMATION**

RESOLVED: That the Iowa Medical Society explore legislation requiring all insurers doing business in Iowa that offer a pharmacy benefit, as a condition of doing business in Iowa, to make available electronically, in real time, to all licensed practitioners with prescriptive authority treating one of their insured patients all prescriptions for that particular patient filled through their pharmacy benefit program.

HOD Action: Amended Resolution 10-01 was adopted.

RESOLUTION 10-02 **Introduced by IMS Board of Directors
AMENDMENTS TO IMS BYLAWS**

RESOLVED: That the IMS Articles of Incorporation and Bylaws be amended as follows: (deletions are shown as a ~~strikethrough~~, new language is underlined)

Restated Articles of Incorporation of the Iowa Medical Society
Article IV
Component Societies

Section 3. In the event the Bylaws shall provide some form of membership for students in good standing at the Carver College of Medicine at the University of Iowa who are candidates for a Doctor of Medicine degree and students in good standing at the Des Moines University College of Osteopathic Medicine who are candidates for a Doctor of Osteopathic Medicine degree,

Director ~~may~~ shall be filled by the Board of Directors for the unexpired portion of the term of such District Director.

Chapter VII
Board of Directors

Section 9. It shall, upon application, provide and issue charters to component societies organized to conform to the spirit of the Articles of Incorporation and Bylaws, and may revoke such charters for cause deemed by it sufficient.

Section 10. It shall have authority to organize the physicians of two (2) or more adjoining counties in sparsely settled areas into component societies to be designated by appropriate names which will distinguish such societies from other component societies. Such component societies when so organized and chartered shall be entitled to all the privileges and representations provided in the Articles of Incorporation and Bylaws for component medical societies.

Chapter IX
Fiscal Year, Funds, Dues and Expenditures

Section 7. All deeds, instruments, transfers, conveyances, leases, mortgages or assignments of real estate or personal property and all releases of judgments, mortgages or other liens shall be authorized and approved by the House of Delegates or Board of Directors and executed and acknowledged by the Chair~~man~~ of the Board of Directors and the Secretary-Treasurer of the Society.

Chapter X
Committees

Section 1. The standing committees shall be as follows:

Committee on Legislation

Committee on CME Accreditation

~~Committee on Nominations~~ ng Committee

Committee on Medical Services

Executive Committee

Section 6. The ~~COMMITTEE ON-NOMINATIONS~~ NG COMMITTEE shall be elected and perform its duties in accordance with provisions of Chapter VI, Section 4 of these Bylaws.

HOD Action: Amended Resolution 10-02 was adopted.

RESOLUTION 10-03

Introduced by Edward Hertko, MD

**LEGALIZE PRESCRIBING AND USE OF MEDICAL
MARIJUANA**

RESOLVED: That the Iowa Medical Society support the Iowa Board of Pharmacy's reclassification of marijuana as a Schedule II controlled substance with the goal of facilitating further study into potential medical uses.

HOD Action: Substitute Resolution 10-03 was adopted.

RESOLUTION 10-04 Introduced by Michael Kitchell, MD
ELIMINATION OF THE MEDICARE GEOGRAPHIC
ADJUSTMENT OF PHYSICIAN PRACTICE EXPENSES

RESOLVED: That the Iowa Medical Society will ask the American Medical Association to actively lobby to immediately eliminate the Medicare practice expense geographic practice cost index (GPCI) so that no geographic adjustment of practice expenses shall be performed unless certain regions can scientifically verify that they have much higher practice expenses than other areas of the country.

HOD Action: Resolution 10-04, first resolve, was not adopted.

RESOLVED: That until such time as geographic practice cost indices (GPCI) are eliminated, the American Medical Association will seek an immediate GPCI practice expense floor of 1.0 while avoiding decreasing any region's Medicare payment.

HOD Action: Resolution 10-04, second resolve, was not adopted.

RESOLUTION 10-05 Introduced by Michael Kitchell, MD
CONSORTIUM FOR COST-EFFECTIVE CARE

RESOLVED: That the Iowa Medical Society will request the American Medical Association's Physicians Consortium for Performance Improvement (PCPI) to specifically develop cost-effective or efficiency measures and urge all specialty societies to assist PCPI to make progress toward the goal of improving and increasing cost-effectiveness information.

HOD Action: Amended Resolution 10-05 was adopted.