

**FLORIDA MEDICAL ASSOCIATION  
HOUSE OF DELEGATES 2014**

**CONSENT CALENDAR  
REFERENCE COMMITTEE II  
FINANCE AND ADMINISTRATION**

**John Zapp, M.D., Chair**

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The Reference Committee recommends that the following Consent Calendar be adopted. The item number listed below corresponds with the item number in the main report.

**RECOMMENDED FOR ADOPTION**

- (1) Report A of the Board of Governors – Recommendation B-1
- (1) Report A of the Board of Governors – Recommendation B-2
- (1) Report A of the Board of Governors – Recommendation B-3
- (3) Resolution 14-205, Veterans Administration Patients Access to Care

**RECOMMENDED FOR ADOPTION AS AMENDED OR SUBSTITUTED**

- (2) Resolution 14-201, Opposition to Maintenance of Certification being required for Licensure
- (5) Resolution 14-207 Composition of the FMA Committee on Bylaws

**RECOMMENDED FOR NOT ADOPTION**

- (4) Resolution 14-206 Specialty Society Section Resolution at Annual Meeting

**RECOMMENDED FOR REFERRAL TO BOARD OF GOVERNORS**

**RECOMMENDED FOR FILING OR REAFFIRMATION**

**RECOMMENDATION 4:**

Mr. Speaker, your Reference Committee recommends that the **Remainder of Report B of the Board of Governors be filed for information.**

- (2) **RESOLUTION 14-201, OPPOSITION TO MAINTENANCE OF CERTIFICATION BEING REQUIRED FOR LICENSURE**

**RECOMMENDATION:**

Mr. Speaker, your Reference Committee recommends that **Substitution Resolution 14-201 be adopted in lieu of original resolutions 14-201, 14-202, 14-203, and 14-204.**

**RESOLVED, That the FMA acknowledges that the certification requirements within the MOC process are costly, time-sensitive, and result in significant disruptions for the availability of physicians for patient care, and therefore, the current MOC programs should be modified; and be it**

**RESOLVED, That the FMA opposes any efforts to require Maintenance of Certification (MOC) program as a condition of medical licensure, or as a pre-requisite for hospital/staff privileges, employment in State of Florida/county medical facilities, reimbursement from 3<sup>rd</sup> parties, or issuance of malpractice insurance; and be it further**

**RESOLVED, That the FMA advocates that the lack of specialty board recertification should not restrict the ability of the physician to practice medicine in Florida.**

**RESOLVED, That the FMA monitor the American Health Legal Foundation who is seeking legislation to prevent hospital staffs and insurance companies from refusing to credential physicians who do not participate in the MOC program.**

**RESOLVED, That a copy of this resolution be transmitted to the AMA House of Delegates; and be it further**

Resolution 14-201 is requesting that the FMA actively seek legislation prohibiting the use of participation in a Maintenance of Certification Program to be linked to licensing, privileging or payments in any way in the state of Florida. As originally written, Resolution 14-201 reads as follows:

***RESOLVED, That the FMA actively seek legislation prohibiting the use of participation in a Maintenance of Certification Program to be linked to licensing, privileging or payments in any way in the state of Florida.***

Your Reference Committee heard considerable testimony about the increasing burden being imposed on physicians relating to the maintenance of certification (MOC). The consensus of the testimony and the reference committee was to combine Resolutions 14-201, 14-202, 14-203, and 14-204 into one resolution.

- (3) RESOLUTION 14-205, VETERANS ADMINISTRATION PATIENTS ACCESS TO CARE, FLORIDA CHAPTER, AMERICAN COLLEGE OF CARDIOLOGY

**RECOMMENDATION**