

American Osteopathic Association

House of Delegates

Committee on Educational Affairs

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CONSENT AGENDA – FOR COLLECTIVE ACTION BY THE HOUSE OF DELEGATES

Mr. Speaker, I present the following Consent Agenda, and the Committee recommends that it be APPROVED:

- H-213 H-215 - A/14 – GRADUATE MEDICAL EDUCATION – TRAINING OF US MEDICAL SCHOOL GRADUATES
- H-219 CLARITY REGARDING MATCHING SERVICE LISTING OF AOA RESIDENCIES-
- H-222 RESPONSE TO H-202 - A/2014 ENSURING ADEQUATE RESOURCES TO THE FUTURE OF OSTEOPATHIC MEDICINE
- H-223 SUBSTITUTE RESOLUTION – H218 – A/2014 BLUE RIBBON COMMISSION REPORT
- H-214 RURAL SITES – OSTEOPATHIC EDUCATION IN (H200-A/10)
- H-218 RECOMMENDATIONS REGARDING ADMITTING MDS INTO OGME PROGRAMS (H207-A/10)

And I so move.

H-215 EQUIVALENCY POLICY FOR OSTEOPATHIC CONTINUOUS CERTIFICATION (H202-A/10)

Mr. Speaker, I present for consideration Resolution No. H-215, and the Committee recommends that it be APPROVED with the following AMENDMENTS:

Line 2 be REAFFIRMED AS AMENDED:

H202-A/10 EQUIVALENCY POLICY FOR OSTEOPATHIC CONTINUOUS CERTIFICATION

The American Osteopathic Association, through its bureaus, councils and committees, will ensure that osteopathic continuous certification (OCC) is

comparable to other maintenance of certification programs so that OCC can be recognized by the federal government, state governments and other regulatory agencies and credentialing bodies as an equivalent of other national certifying bodies' "maintenance" or "continuous" certification programs-2010; **AND, BE IT FURTHER,**

RESOLVED, THAT THE AMERICAN OSTEOPATHIC ASSOCIATION (AOA) OPPOSES ANY EFFORTS TO REQUIRE OSTEOPATHIC CONTINUOUS CERTIFICATION (OCC) AS A CONDITION FOR MEDICAL LICENSURE, INSURANCE REIMBURSEMENT OR NETWORK PARTICIPATION, MALPRACTICE INSURANCE COVERAGE OR AS A REQUIREMENT FOR PHYSICIAN EMPLOYMENT; AND, BE IT FURTHER

RESOLVED, THAT THE AMERICAN OSTEOPATHIC ASSOCIATION THROUGH THE BUREAU OF OSTEOPATHIC SPECIALISTS (BOS) REVIEW THE OSTEOPATHIC CONTINUOUS CERTIFICATION PROCESS SO AS TO MAKE IT MORE MANAGEABLE AND ECONOMICALLY FEASIBLE.

Explanatory Statement: This resolution as amended incorporates resolved statements from H-200 and H-206 and addresses comments heard during open session.

And I so move.

H-216 DIRECTORS OF MEDICAL EDUCATION OVERSEEING OSTEOPATHIC POSTDOCTORAL TRAINING PROGRAMS (H203-A/10)

Mr. Speaker, I present for consideration Resolution No. H-216, and the Committee recommends that it be APPROVED with the following AMENDMENTS:

Line 2 ...be ~~DELETED~~ **REAFFIRMED:**

And I so move.

H-217 AUTOPSIES (H204-A/10)

Mr. Speaker, I present for consideration Resolution No. H-217, and the Committee recommends that it be APPROVED with the following AMENDMENTS:

Line 2 ...be ~~DELETED~~ **REAFFIRMED:**

And I so move.

H-211 HOSPICE AND PALLIATIVE MEDICINE (HPM) WORK FORCE
SHORTAGES

Mr. Speaker, I present for consideration Resolution No. H-211, and the Committee recommends that it be REFERRED to the Council on Palliative Care Issues for review and comment.

Explanatory Statement: The committee recommends the Council on Palliative Care Issues further clarify the three issues (additional certification exams, new fellowship program development, Medical Director's Certification) identified in the resolution.

And I so move.

H-201 CONTINUOUS OSTEOPATHIC BOARD CERTIFICATION

RES. NO. H-201 WAS WITHDRAWN.

And I so move.

H-202 DISSEMINATION OF BEST PRACTICES IN OSTEOPATHIC GRADUATE
MEDICAL EDUCATION

RES. NO. H-202 WAS WITHDRAWN.

And I so move.

H-203 OSTEOPATHIC RECOGNIZED RESIDENCIES

RES. NO. H-203 WAS WITHDRAWN.

And I so move.

H-204 PREVENTION OF OSTEOPATHIC STUDENT DISCRIMINATION IN
ACGME TRAINING PROGRAMS

RES. NO. H-204 WAS WITHDRAWN.

And I so move.

H-200 OPPOSITION TO MAINTENANCE OF CERTIFICATION

Mr. Speaker, I present for consideration Resolution No. H-200, and the Committee recommends that it be DISAPPROVED. To begin discussion, I move that it be approved.

Explanatory Statement: This topic is addressed in H-215 as amended.

And I so move.

H-205 MAINTENANCE OF CERTIFICATION AND OSTEOPATHIC
CONTINUOUS CERTIFICATION

Mr. Speaker, I present for consideration Resolution No. H-205, and the Committee recommends that it be DISAPPROVED. To begin discussion, I move that it be approved.

Explanatory Statement: This topic is addressed in H-215 as amended.

And I so move.

H-206 CONTINUOUS CERTIFICATION PROCESS

Mr. Speaker, I present for consideration Resolution No. H-206, and the Committee recommends that it be DISAPPROVED. To begin discussion, I move that it be approved.

Explanatory Statement: This topic is addressed in H-215 as amended.

And I so move.

H-207 ADVOCACY FOR RECOGNITION OF AOA BOARD CERTIFICATION AS
EQUIVALENT TO ABMS CERTIFICATION FOR PROGRAM DIRECTORS

Mr. Speaker, I present for consideration Resolution No. H-207, and the Committee recommends that it be DISAPPROVED. To begin discussion, I move that it be approved.

Explanatory Statement: The AOA will continue to monitor and report on the Single Accreditation System for Graduate Medical Education and AOA board certification as required by H-800 – A/14.

And I so move.

H-208 ADVOCACY FOR RECOGNITION OF AOA BOARD CERTIFICATION AS
EQUIVALENT TO ABMS CERTIFICATION FOR RESIDENCY
EVALUATIONS

Mr. Speaker, I present for consideration Resolution No. H-208, and the Committee recommends that it be DISAPPROVED. To begin discussion, I move that it be approved.

Explanatory Statement: The AOA will continue to monitor and report on the Single Accreditation System for Graduate Medical Education and AOA board certification as required by H-800 – A/14.

And I so move.

H-209 ADVOCACY FOR GRADUATES OF OSTEOPATHIC FOCUSED
RESIDENCY PROGRAMS TAKING AOA BOARD CERTIFICATION EXAMS

Mr. Speaker, I present for consideration Resolution No. H-209, and the Committee recommends that it be DISAPPROVED. To begin discussion, I move that it be approved.

Explanatory Statement: The AOA will continue to monitor and report on the Single Accreditation System for Graduate Medical Education and AOA board certification as required by H-800 – A/14.

And I so move.

H-212 HOSPICE AND PALLIATIVE MEDICINE (HPM) WORK FORCE
SHORTAGES AND THE NEED FOR PRIMARY CARE TRAINING IN
HOSPICE AND PALLIATIVE MEDICINE

Mr. Speaker, I present for consideration Resolution No. H-212, and the Committee recommends that it be DISAPPROVED. To begin discussion, I move that it be approved.

Explanatory Statement: The AOA does not have authority over COCA or ACGME standards.

And I so move.

H-220 SPECIALTY COLLEGE AND AOA'S ROLE IN POST-ACGME SINGLE
PATHWAY OSTEOPATHIC MEDICINE

Mr. Speaker, I present for consideration Resolution No. H-220, and the Committee recommends that it be DISAPPROVED. To begin discussion, I move that it be approved.

Explanatory Statement: The committee appreciates the significant changes occurring within each of our specialty colleges. The AOA Board will continue to share with and solicit feedback from all of its affiliates as it updates the AOA Strategic Plan and proceeds with the implementation of the Single Accreditation System.

And I so move.

H-221 OPPOSITION TO MOC/OCC AS CONDITION OF LICENSURE

Mr. Speaker, I present for consideration Resolution No. H-221, and the Committee recommends that it be DISAPPROVED. To begin discussion, I move that it be approved.

Explanatory Statement: This topic is addressed in H-215 as amended.

And I so move.

Mr. Speaker, this concludes the Committee's report. I would like to thank the members of the Committee.

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