



Summary of Actions: 2012 National Congress of Student Members

July 26 – 28, 2012 – National Conference of Family Medicine Residents and Medical Students, Kansas City, MO

RESOLUTIONS

Note: Resolutions adopted by the National Congress of Student Members are *not* AAFP policy. Based on recommendations from the AAFP Commission on Education, NCSM resolutions are referred by the AAFP Board of Directors to the appropriate Academy entity. This group then reviews the resolution and determines if further action is appropriate and if policy should be developed relating to the topic of the resolution.

Res. No.	Title and Resolved	Referrals	Action <i>Options: Accept for Information, Reaffirm, Agree, or Agree with Modification</i>
S1-100	Student Competency in Health System Management RESOLVED, That the American Academy of Family Physicians (AAFP) request the Society of Teachers of Family Medicine (STFM) to develop guidelines for a curriculum to teach business principles to undergraduate medical students.	Commission on Education (COE)	Agree The Society of Teachers of Family Medicine (STFM) currently has a process for taking feedback on new elements that might need to be added to the Family Medicine Core Clerkship Curriculum, a teaching resource for all family medicine faculty and medical student education directors. A formal recommendation on this topic was made to the group at the 2013 STFM Conference on Medical Student Education in San Antonio and was accepted.
S1-101	Prescription Drug Abuse Prevention RESOLVED, That the American Academy of Family Physicians (AAFP) advocate for physicians gaining access to the available databases, and be it further RESOLVED, That the American Academy of Family Physicians (AAFP) promote interstate communication of existing databases.	Not Adopted	
S1-102	Promoting EMR Training in Medical Education RESOLVED, That the American Academy of Family Physicians (AAFP) advocate to the Liaison Committee on Medical Education to recommend the inclusion of EMR training into current Educational Standards.	Commission on Education (COE)	Agree The COE discussed at length the appropriate governing body to enforce the training of medical students in concepts associated with the EMR and agreed that all students need access to EMR training. Educational principles may need to be developed on how to teach the concepts of meaningful use and ways to get an EMR to accomplish the necessary standards associated with the PCMH. The Liaison Committee on Medical Education (LCME) sets the standards for medical education but does not write curriculum nor include any topics associated with EMR in its standards. The AAFP does not have a formal representative to the LCME.
S1-103	Helping the Underserved Acquire Medications RESOLVED, That the American Academy of Family Physicians (AAFP) place the tool that assists providers in obtaining necessary medications for underserved, uninsured, and underinsured patients in an easily accessible location on the AAFP website.	Moved to Reaffirmation Calendar	

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S1-104	<p>FDA “Safe Drug” Classification RESOLVED, That the American Academy of Family Physicians (AAFP) continue to actively oppose the creation of a new “Safe Drug” classification by the Food and Drug Administration (FDA) giving pharmacists limited independent prescribing ability.</p>	Moved to Reaffirmation Calendar	
S1-105	<p>Resident and Student Representative on the Center for International Health Initiatives Advisory Board RESOLVED, That the Center for International Health Initiative (CIHI) create positions for a resident and student representative on the advisory board.</p>	Not Adopted	
S1-106	<p>AAFP Declaration of Support for Civil Marriage for Same-Gender Couples RESOLVED, That the American Academy of Family Physicians (AAFP) support civil marriage for same-gender couples to contribute to overall health and longevity, improved family stability and to benefit children of gay, lesbian, bisexual, transgender (GLBT) families.</p>	Congress of Delegates	<p>Adopted</p> <p>The resolution became the following policy statement: Civil Marriage for Same-Gender Couples The American Academy of Family Physicians (AAFP) supports civil marriage for same-gender couples to contribute to overall health and longevity, improved family stability, and to benefit children of gay, lesbian, bisexual, transgender (GLBT) families. (2012 COD)</p>
S1-107	<p>Community Health Needs Assessment RESOLVED, That the American Academy of Family Physicians (AAFP) encourage its members to be actively involved in the development and implementation of Community Health Needs Assessments conducted by non-profit hospitals and health care systems as mandated by Section 501(r)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code.</p>	Commission on Quality and Practice (CQP)	<p>Accept for Information</p> <p>The CPQ considered the resolution that is in response to a provision of the Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act (PPACA) of 2010 requiring nonprofit, tax-exempt hospitals to complete a community health needs assessment (CHNA) every three years, and to adopt an implementation strategy to address the identified needs. The AAFP has not received any inquiries from members seeking to learn more about CHNA's and to date has not prioritized development of related materials. The commission noted that it would be more beneficial for members to be directed to organizations that have established tools and resources.</p>
S1-108	<p>Addition of At-Large Appointed Resident and Student Members on the American Academy of Family Physicians (AAFP) Commission on Education (COE) RESOLVED, The American Academy of Family Physicians (AAFP) Board approve the addition of one resident member and one medical student member to the AAFP Commission on Education (COE) through the same process which other resident and students are appointed to the other AAFP commissions, and be it further</p> <p>RESOLVED, That these COE members serve on the COE Subcommittee on Resident and Student Issues (SRSI).</p>	Not Adopted	

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S1-109	<p>Electronic Health Record Compatibility RESOLVED, That the American Academy of Family Physicians (AAFP) amend the current policy on electronic health records, endorsing compatibility across multiple electronic health record systems in an effort to allow the seamless sharing of protected medical data as patients move between medical providers.</p>	Commission on Quality and Practice (CQP)	<p>Accept for Information</p> <p>The CQP noted that the AAFP continues its policy to advocate for the appropriate sharing of patient health information in a manner to maintain intended clinical meaning and ensure its accessibility at the point and time of care, wherever and whenever that patient-physician interaction may occur. This advocacy position is currently reflected in the AAFP electronic health record policy.</p>
S1-110	<p>Professional Medical Liability Reform RESOLVED, That the American Academy of Family Physicians (AAFP) make available to constituent chapters and physician members educational materials regarding professional medical liability goals and policy established by the AAFP, and be it further</p> <p>RESOLVED, That the American Academy of Family Physicians (AAFP) encourage constituent chapters to advocate for professional liability reform to their respective state legislative branches.</p>	Moved to Reaffirmation Calendar	
S1-111	<p>Don't Text and Drive Initiative RESOLVED, That the American Academy of Family Physicians (AAFP) encourage physicians to include distracted driving discussions as part of anticipatory guidance for teenage patients.</p>	Commission on Health of the Public and Science (CHPS)	<p>Agree</p> <p>The CHPS incorporated additional language about discussing distracted driving with patients in the existing policy on Driver Distraction.</p>
S1-112	<p>Breastfeeding Accommodations for Trainees Who Are Nursing RESOLVED, That the American Academy of Family Physicians (AAFP) develop policy to support reasonable accommodation for trainees who are breastfeeding.</p>	Commission on Education (COE)	<p>Agree, with a recommendation made to the AAFP Board of Directors</p> <p>There was unanimous support for developing a policy statement that supported accommodation for trainees who are breastfeeding, especially since the AAFP has had a long-standing and visible policy around the positive aspects of breastfeeding. There was discussion on separate policy statement for trainees vs. practicing physicians. The policy might be better situated to address those who are less likely to control their own environment, students and residents.</p> <p>RECOMMENDATION, That the AAFP Board of Directors approve a new nonclinical policy statement on Breastfeeding Accommodations for Trainees:</p> <p>Breastfeeding Accommodations for Trainees The American Academy of Family Physicians (AAFP) supports that all babies, with rare exceptions, should be breastfed and/or receive expressed human milk exclusively in the first six months, and this should continue with complementary foods as long as mutually desired. Family medicine training programs should, therefore, promote and support institutional policies to provide appropriate accommodations to allow trainees to securely breastfeed and/or express breast milk as needed during designated duty hours.</p> <p>Progress Report: The AAFP Board of Directors will consider this recommendation at the July 2013 Board meeting.</p>

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S1-113	<p>Open Access to Publicly Funded Research RESOLVED, That the American Academy of Family Physicians (AAFP) support open access to publicly funded research and the Federal Research Public Works Act (FRPWA).</p>	Commission on Health of the Public and Science (CHPS)	<p>Accept for Information</p> <p>The CHPS noted the Federal Research Public Works Act is proposed legislation, and while the intent may be good, the unintended consequences are not known.</p>
S1-114	<p>Celebrate Annually National Primary Care Week RESOLVED, That the American Academy of Family Physicians (AAFP) encourage strong collaborative partnerships between the AAFP, Family Medicine Interest Groups (FMIGs), American Medical Student Association (AMSA), Student National Medical Association (SNMA), Primary Care Progress (PCP), Association of American Medical Colleges (AAMC), National Health Services Corps (NHSC) and all other primary care partners that are championing primary care advocacy.</p>	Commission on Education (COE)	<p>Reaffirm</p> <p>The AAFP currently works with all the entities mentioned in the resolution and reaffirmed that the AAFP should continue working with them to promote National Primary Care Week.</p>
S1-116	<p>Additional Student Member to Commission on Education (COE) RESOLVED, That the American Academy of Family Physicians (AAFP) create an additional at-large student member position on the Commission on Education (COE), and be it further</p> <p>RESOLVED, That if an at-large student member position on the Commission on Education (COE) is approved, that the student serve on the Subcommittee on Resident and Student Issues (SRSI) and the Commission on Education (COE) subcommittee of their choice.</p>	Not Adopted	
S1-117	<p>Social Mission Rankings of Medical Schools RESOLVED, That the American Academy of Family Physicians (AAFP) support the ranking of medical schools based on their social missions in light of their contributions to primary care workforce in underserved communities.</p>	Moved to Reaffirmation Calendar	
S1-118	<p>Oppose Tiered Maternity Care Training RESOLVED, That the American Academy of Family Physicians (AAFP) support comprehensive maternity care training for all residents.</p>	Moved to Reaffirmation Calendar	
S1-119	<p>Preserving Women in Service Access to Comprehensive Reproductive Health Care RESOLVED, That the American Academy of Family Physicians (AAFP) support access to comprehensive reproductive health services including abortion service for servicewomen and men.</p>	Moved to Reaffirmation Calendar	
S1-120	<p>Same-Sex Families RESOLVED, That the American Academy of Family Physicians (AAFP) support same sex families and their children.</p>	Commission on Membership and Member Services (CMMS)	<p>Accept for Information</p> <p>The commission believed that Resolution No. 510 (adopted by the 2012 COD, which asked the AAFP to support civil marriage for same-gender couples to contribute to overall health and longevity, improved family stability and to benefit children of gay, lesbian, bisexual, transgender (GLBT) families, accomplished the intent of this resolution and that no further action was necessary. It was noted that</p>

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			the AAFP should continue to advocate for all children and should not be limited to same-gender families.
S2-200	American Academy of Family Physicians (AAFP) Greening RESOLVED, That the American Academy of Family Physicians (AAFP) adopt the use of green and socially responsible practices at conferences, business and academic practices such as the emphasis of digital distribution and publication of a green standard for vendors, exhibitors and partners.	Executive Vice President for appropriate staff referral Perry Pugno, MD /Stan Kozakowski, MD	Reaffirm The spirit of this resolution is current practice of the AAFP Division of Meetings and Conventions.
S2-201	AAFP Website Enhancement of Family Medicine Residency Online Search Function RESOLVED, That the American Academy of Family Physicians (AAFP) explore enhancement to the current search functionality of the national family medicine residency program search tool housed at https://nf.aafp.org/residencydirectory/ to include more searchable fields.	Commission on Education (COE)	Reaffirm The COE was informed that the new internal Business Review Council (BRC) approved the proposed upgrades to all medical education related online directories, including the residency directory. Increasing the search functionality is one of the items that will be included in the upgrade. Input on additional specific search items was collected by staff.
S2-202	Research Form Enhancement of Current Website and Search Tool with Research Opportunities in Family Medicine RESOLVED, That the American Academy of Family Physicians (AAFP) explore the establishment of an online database for primary care research opportunities.	Commission on Health of the Public and Science (CHPS)	Accept for Information The CHPS noted that current web-based resources exist for research opportunities in primary care, such as AAFP National Research Network http://www.aafp.org/online/en/home/clinical/natnet/studies.html NAPCRG resources for students, residents, and physicians http://www.napcrg.org/fellows_residents_students.cfm
S2-203	Inpatient Psychiatric Facility Funding Shortage and Physician Dedication to Mental Healthcare RESOLVED, That the American Academy of Family Physicians (AAFP) advocate on behalf of patients: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • with behavioral health needs • increase community awareness of these needs through lobbying efforts • encourage family physicians' dedication to meeting the mental health needs of their communities 	Moved to Reaffirmation Calendar	
S2-204	Keeping Legislature Out of the Exam Room RESOLVED, That the American Academy of Family Physicians (AAFP) create a policy statement in opposition to legislation that enters the exam room and restricts a physician's ability to provide the best evidence-based care or mandates care that is not evidence-based.	Moved to Reaffirmation Calendar	
S2-205	Strategies to Lower Student Debt RESOLVED, That the American Academy of Family Physicians (AAFP) National Congress of Student Members encourage all medical schools to actively contain costs and lower tuition, and be it further RESOLVED, That the American Academy of	Commission on Education (COE)	Reaffirm The AAFP has multiple policy statements that address medical student debt. All these policies have been reviewed in the past two years and approved by the COD. Medical student debt relief is an ongoing priority of the government relations staff, especially related to federal advocacy efforts.

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	Family Physicians (AAFP) work with the American Association of Medical colleges (AAMC) and the American Medical Association (AMA) to encourage all medical schools to seek out innovative strategies to actively lower the cost of education for medical students who have committed to primary care specialties.		The AAFP has a formal delegation to the AMA that consists of active members, residents and students. Topics and issues to be addressed by the governing bodies of the AMA can be channeled through these formal reps. The AAFP has a formal representative to the AAMC who can bring AAFP topics to this venue.
S2-206	FamMedPAC Student and Resident Involvement RESOLVED, That the American Academy of Family Physicians (AAFP) investigate student and resident involvement with the FamMedPAC Board of Directors.	Dual referral to: Commission on Governmental Advocacy (CGA) [lead]; and Commission on Education (COE)	Agree As the lead commission on this resolution, the CGA developed recommendations for the consideration of the COE. The COE agreed with resolution and agreed with the recommendation developed by the CGA that AAFP designate the student and resident members of the CGA as liaisons to the FamMed PAC board of directors. It was noted that the current student and resident representatives to the CGA were supportive of this recommendation.
S2-207	Coordination of Care Payment for Transition from Pediatricians to Family Physicians RESOLVED, That the American Academy of Family Physicians (AAFP) advocate for a Medicare payment solution to address care coordination efforts in the transition of patients with chronic and debilitating conditions from pediatricians to family physicians.	Not Adopted	
S2-208	Creation of Social Media Guidelines for American Academy of Family Physicians (AAFP) Members RESOLVED, That the American Academy of Family Physicians (AAFP) create guidelines for use of social media by its members that include the following clauses: (a) that members be cognizant of standards of patient privacy and confidentiality and refrain from posting identifiable patient information online, and (b) if they interact with patients on the internet, that members must maintain appropriate boundaries of the patient-physician relationship in accordance with professional ethical guidelines just as they would in any other context.	Commission on Membership and Member Services (CMMS) Laterally referred to the AAFP Social Media / Communications staff	Agree To address this resolution, the AAFP Social Media/Communications staff developed and the "Social Media for Family Physicians: Guidelines and Resources for Success." The complete guidelines can be found at this link: http://www.aafp.org/dam/AAFP/documents/about_social/SocialMediaFamPhys.pdf
S2-209	Improving Public Awareness of Emergent and Non-Emergent Care RESOLVED, That the American Academy of Family Physicians (AAFP) explore ways to educate the public on what constitutes emergent versus non-emergent care, and be it further RESOLVED, That the American Academy of Family Physicians (AAFP) improve public awareness regarding the advantage of family medicine physicians versus emergency medicine physicians in the management of primary care conditions.	Not Adopted	

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<p>S2-210</p>	<p>Commending Lyndia Flanagan RESOLVED, That the National Congress of Student Members commend Lyndia Flanagan for her service to the American Academy of Family Physicians (AAFP), especially for her commitment to the future of family medicine at the National Conference.</p>	<p>Executive Vice President for appropriate staff referral</p> <p>Perry Pugno, MD /Stan Kozakowski, MD</p>	<p>Agree</p> <p>Lyndia Flanagan was presented with a framed copy of this resolution.</p>
<p>S2-211</p>	<p>Social Media in Student Leadership Elections at the National Conference RESOLVED, That the American Academy of Family Physicians (AAFP) update student election rules to include policy allowing the use of social media in the promotion of candidate profiles after they have been nominated from the floor as an opportunity but not a requirement of candidacy, and be it further</p> <p>RESOLVED, That the Subcommittee on National Conference Planning decide each year upon, and promote, specific social media channels for candidates to highlight their qualifications and announce these channels no less than a week in advance of the conference so that students may create accounts with a web service if they so choose, and be it further</p> <p>RESOLVED, That the social media policy for elections state that alternate social media channels may not necessarily be promoted by the AAFP but candidates will not be penalized for or barred from using them, and be it further</p> <p>RESOLVED, As a part of the election policy allowing for social media use, the AAFP consider possible penalties towards students who use social media to promote negative material about another candidate.</p>	<p>Commission on Education (COE)</p>	<p>Reaffirm</p> <p>In the time between August 2012 when this resolution was adopted by the NCSM and the 2013 summer cluster meeting, AAFP staff worked in conjunction with the AAFP Board Speaker and Vice Speaker to craft and approve AAFP guidelines for the use of social media when campaigning for leadership positions. The COE determined these guidelines did address the intent of the resolution.</p>
<p>S2-212</p>	<p>Rules of Order Task Force RESOLVED, That the Resident and Student Chairs of the National Conference convene a task force with the goal of evaluating the National Congress of Family Medicine Residents (NCFMR) and National Congress of Medical Students (NCMS) Rules of Order and make recommendations back to the congress at the 2013 National Conference, and be it further</p> <p>RESOLVED, That the Resident and Student Rules of Order Task Force be comprised of five residents and five students from the current leadership and one additional at-large resident and student, and be chaired by the Resident and Student Chairs of the National Conference or their designee, and be it further</p> <p>RESOLVED, That the Resident and Student Rules of Order Task Force work independently of the Commission on Education to develop a set of</p>	<p>Not Adopted</p>	<p style="background-color: #cccccc;"></p>

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	recommendations for their amendment of the Rules of Order for preliminary submission to the Board of Directors at their May 2013 meeting for comment prior to the final recommendations to be made at 2013 National Conference.		
S2-213	<p>National Health Service Corps Students to Service Renewal</p> <p>RESOLVED, That the American Academy of Family Physicians (AAFP) support the continuation of the National Health Service Corps' (NHSC) Students to Service pilot program through methods including, but not limited to, written correspondence to the Health Resources and Services Administration (HRSA) and lobbying for increased appropriation to HRSA for the Students to Service program.</p>	Commission on Education (COE)	<p>Reaffirm</p> <p>The COE discussed importance of debt relief programs for students who choose primary care careers and AAFP multiple policy statements that deal with debt relief. The AAFP advocated on behalf of the continuation of the NHSC Students to Service pilot program. It was noted that it would be beneficial to promote this program in any advocacy materials related to debt relief and to include it in materials for the FMCC spring meeting.</p>
S2-214	<p>Student-Run Clinic</p> <p>RESOLVED, That the American Academy of Family Physicians (AAFP) create a policy statement on student-run clinics including, but not limited to, that student-run clinics are headed by primary care physicians (family medicine, general internal medicine, general pediatrics) as a means to address healthcare disparities and engage students in the health of their community.</p>	Commission on Education (COE)	<p>Agree, with a recommendation made to the AAFP Board of Directors</p> <p>The COE discussed the prevalence of student-run free clinics within the medical school setting and how new LCME requirements for community service activities are being met by these clinics. Some debate on language of the resolution and implication that primary care might be the only faculty leadership for these clinics since many student-run free clinics are specialty focused. A working group created a new policy and the COE put forth the following:</p> <p>RECOMMENDATION, That the AAFP Board of Directors approve a new nonclinical policy statement on Student-Run Free Clinics:</p> <p>Student-Run Free Clinics</p> <p>The American Academy of Family Physicians (AAFP) supports the concept of access to essential health care for all people regardless of social and economic status, and ideally through a patient-centered medical home (PCMH). Student-run free clinics often provide access to indigent and underserved populations who otherwise may not receive basic health care services. A student-run free primary care clinic is a service-learning, student driven outreach project that strives to enhance the health and wellbeing of a community through the provision of medical care. The AAFP supports the inclusion of family physicians within the student-run free clinic setting since a family physician can provide the following unique benefits:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Provide comprehensive, community-based medical care • Deliver basic, essential patient-centered health care services • Expose medical students to the specialty of family medicine • Provide clinical instruction for students <p>Progress Report: The AAFP Board of Directors will consider this recommendation at the July 2013 Board meeting.</p>

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<p>S2-216</p>	<p>Health Policy Internship RESOLVED, That the American Academy of Family Physicians (AAFP) Government Relations staff create a one month rotating student and resident internship which meets the following objectives:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> (1) Develop legislative knowledge and grassroots advocacy skills (2) Learn about specific issues in health policy (3) Understand how various governmental bodies and agencies affect the practice of medicine (4) Educate other medical students, residents, and young physician AAFP members about issues in public health and health policy to encourage activism and leadership in local communities (5) Develop and strengthen skills in advocacy, policy analysis, writing, computer literacy for presentation, interpersonal and relationship-building skills, and managerial skills, and be it further <p>RESOLVED, That the American Academy of Family Physicians (AAFP) Health Policy Internship be available only to student and resident members of the AAFP who will be selected through an application process designed with input from the Commission on Education, Commission on Governmental Advocacy, and AAFP staff, and be it further</p> <p>RESOLVED, That the American Academy of Family Physicians (AAFP) Health Policy Internship be offered to students and residents at least, but not limited to, months during federal appropriations, legislative sessions, and during the fall term as determined by Government Relations staff.</p>	<p>Dual referral to: Commission on Governmental Advocacy (CGA) [lead]; and Commission on Education (COE)</p>	<p>As the lead commission on this resolution, the CGA developed recommendations for the consideration of the COE.</p> <p>The COE decided to postpone to time certain the decision in order to gather more information. The creation of a working group to investigate and report back to SRSI was recommended and established.</p>
<p>S2-217</p>	<p>Provide Education Opportunities for the American Academy of Family Physicians (AAFP) Members on Single Payer Healthcare RESOLVED, That the American Academy of Family Physicians (AAFP) establish through its Commission on Governmental Advocacy a voluntary task force of physicians, residents and students to evaluate the benefits to patients, families, and the United States population of implementation of a national single payer health care system, and that this task force make public its finding by July 2013, and be it further</p> <p>RESOLVED, That the American Academy of Family Physicians (AAFP) hold workshops and invite keynote speakers at the National Conference of Family Medicine Residents and Student Members, National Conference of Special Constituencies, Family Medicine Congressional Conference, Annual Leadership Forum, and Scientific Assembly on the topic of single payer healthcare, and</p>	<p>First clause referred to the AAFP Board of Directors</p> <p>Second clause referred to appropriate event planning committees of the identified meetings.</p>	<p>First clause: Accept for Information</p> <p>Second clause: The Board discussed whether this was the right way to ask for educational sessions. Ultimately, the Board asked that the second resolved clause be sent to the group identified in this resolved clause.</p>

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	<p>be it further</p> <p>RESOLVED, That the American Academy of Family Physicians (AAFP) create a public, informational webpage on aafp.org detailing single payer healthcare.</p>	<p>Third clause referred to the AAFP Board of Directors</p>	<p>Third clause: Accept for Information</p>
S2-218	<p>Improve Student Debt Burden</p> <p>RESOLVED, That the American Academy of Family Physicians (AAFP) strongly condemn the elimination of subsidized Stafford loans for graduate and professional students, and be it further</p> <p>RESOLVED, That the American Academy of Family Physicians (AAFP) advocate for reinstatement of subsidized Stafford loans for graduate and professional students.</p>	<p>Commission on Education (COE)</p>	<p>First clause: Accepted for Information</p> <p>Second clause: Reaffirm</p> <p>The COE discussed issues of medical student debt relief and elimination of subsidized Stafford loans. The amount of loans and interest accrued that impact debt amounts was calculated and believed that in the current environment, every dollar impacted medical student decision making. The COE also discussed political ramifications of first resolved clause. Noted the governmental relations staff intends to continue advocating on behalf of student debt relief. There is ample AAFP policy on debt relief, debt burden and incentives for increasing family medicine special choice. The COE requested that materials and talking points on Stafford loans be created and promoted to students as part of AAFP advocacy efforts on student debt relief so that individual members could advocate on their own behalf.</p>
S2-219	<p>End the American Academy of Family Physicians (AAFP) Alliance with Coca-Cola</p> <p>RESOLVED, That the American Academy of Family Physicians (AAFP) should actively pursue replacement for the Consumer Alliance with Coca-Cola and not renew it as soon as feasibly possible, and be it further</p> <p>RESOLVED, That the American Academy of Family Physicians (AAFP) Strategic Partnership Division aim to collaborate with groups that ally with the Academy's mission of promoting health and healthy lifestyles, as well as the highest ethical and sustainable business practices.</p>	<p>Board of Directors</p>	<p>Accept for Information</p>
S2-220	<p>Health Care for All</p> <p>RESOLVED, That the American Academy of Family Physicians (AAFP) recognize that the Affordable Care Act (ACA) does not cover all Americans and that further advocacy efforts are necessary to achieve universal coverage through methods including, but not limited to, the re-introduction of the public option, and be it further</p> <p>RESOLVED, That the American Academy of Family Physicians (AAFP) Government Relations staff work with constituent chapters of states which do not expand Medicaid to provide a "Best Practices" style document to share with chapters who wish to advocate for increased coverage models utilized successfully by other states.</p>	<p>Commission on Governmental Advocacy (CGA)</p>	<p>Accept for Information</p> <p>The CGA noted that the AAFP already is on record in support of health care coverage for everyone through a primary care based system built on the patient-centered medical home (PCMH) model. The commission felt that this resolution already has been accomplished, since the AAFP has provided the chapters with extensive information on the Affordable Care Act's Medicaid expansion and Health Insurance Marketplaces.</p>

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<p>S-300</p>	<p>Creation of Family Medicine Interest Groups (FMIG) Student Leadership Position to Represent International Medical Schools RESOLVED, That the Family Medicine Interest Groups (FMIG) network should be expanded in order to include an international liaison representing American citizens and U.S. permanent residents enrolled in international medical schools.</p>	<p>Commission on Education (COE)</p>	<p>Accept for Information</p> <p>The AAFP has metrics associated with recruiting more U.S. seniors to the specialty of family medicine, as well as metrics for the COE around this same goal. The mission statement and scope of work for the FMIG Network was discussed, including the practicality of a new role and responsibilities of a position like this, as well as staff oversight. The resolution called for recruitment of a subgroup and might be perceived as discriminatory by other IMGs or graduates. To maintain a fair and standard process, a budget would need to be created to cover this new position. The fiscal impact for the National Conference and Student Interest budgets would be approximately \$6,000. There are uncalculated significant implications for staff support of a new position that recruited students and provided a higher level of services to medical students enrolled in international medical schools.</p>
<p>S-301</p>	<p>Elimination of Membership Dues for International Medical Students RESOLVED, That the American Academy of Family Physicians (AAFP) explores the creation of a membership category, and in the interim waive membership dues, for all American citizens and U.S. permanent residents enrolled in international medical schools.</p>	<p>Commission on Membership and Member Services (CMMS)</p>	<p>Accept for Information</p> <p>The CMMS acknowledged that medical students attending an international medical school are already able to join the AAFP as International members. The commission expressed concern with the perception of discrimination if the AAFP were to waive the membership dues for U.S. citizens attending an international medical school and continue to charge dues for non-U.S. citizens attending an international medical school. The commission suggested that staff seek counsel from current Active members who are international medical graduates on ways to engage students attending international medical schools and promote family medicine as a viable specialty choice to them but not change the AAFP's membership categories or dues structure.</p>