



Summary of Actions of the 2017 National Congress of Family Medicine Residents

July 27-29, 2017 – Kansas City, MO

Note: Resolutions adopted by the National Congress of Family Medicine Residents are not AAFP policy. Based on recommendations from the AAFP Commission on Education, NCFMR resolutions are referred by the AAFP Board Chair 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. **Pending outcome of resolution(s) before the Congress of Delegates*

Res. No.	Subject	Referral(s)	Action <i>Options: Accept for Information, Consistent with Current Policy, Agree (with recommendation to the Board), Agree with Modification (with recommendation to the Board), or Refer to Another Commission</i>
R1-401	<p>Supporting the Reduction of Adverse Childhood Experiences RESOLVED, That the American Academy of Family Physicians support and advocate for legislation that will fund community efforts and interventions aimed at preventing and reducing Adverse Childhood Experiences.</p>	Commission on Health of the Public and Science	
R1-402	<p>Advocacy Against All-Terrain Vehicle Use in Children Under 12 RESOLVED, That the American Academy of Family Physicians recommend against the use of all-terrain vehicles by children under the age of 12, and be it further</p> <p>RESOLVED, That the American Academy of Family Physicians advocate for legislative and regulatory action against operation of all-terrain vehicles by children under the age of 12, and be it further</p> <p>RESOLVED, That the American Academy of Family Physicians promote community and public health education and awareness regarding dangers of all-terrain vehicle use in children under the age of 12, and be it further</p> <p>RESOLVED, That the American Academy of Family Physicians develop guidelines regarding counseling pediatric patients and their families on all-terrain vehicle safety.</p>	Commission on Health of the Public and Science	
R1-403	Establishing a Nationwide Fast Food Chain Tax to Combat Obesity and Comorbidities		
R1-404*	<p>Screening, Intervening, and Advocating to Address Food Insecurity RESOLVED, That the American Academy of Family Physicians support efforts to screen patients for food insecurity, using tools like the validated Hunger Vital Sign™, and connect patients to federal nutrition programs and resources, and be it further</p>	Commission on Health of the Public and Science	

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	<p>RESOLVED, That the American Academy of Family Physicians create a policy to support a strong and effective national nutrition safety net for vulnerable, low-income individuals by protecting and defending federal nutrition programs from block grants, structural changes, and budget cuts, and by ensuring all people in the United States have access to the nutrition they need to live healthy and productive lives, and be it further</p> <p>RESOLVED, That the American Academy of Family Physicians educate its members on the health implications of food insecurity, health benefits of federal nutrition programs, promising interventions to address food insecurity in health care settings, and advocacy opportunities to address food insecurity at the local, state, and national level.</p>		
R1-405	<p>Family Physicians as Public Health Advocates and Collaborators RESOLVED, That the American Academy of Family Physicians explore and collaborate with appropriate entities to help family physicians function as community advocates for public health or public health officer, and be it further</p> <p>RESOLVED, That the American Academy of Family Physicians explore the development of an educational toolkit and curriculum to provide family medicine physicians with the necessary evidenced-based knowledge and tools to function as community advocates for public health or public health offices.</p>	Commission on Health of the Public and Science	
R1-406*	<p>AAFP Stance on Health Care as a Human Right RESOLVED, That the American Academy of Family Physicians recognize that health care is a basic human right for every person and not a privilege.</p>	Commission on Governmental Advocacy	
R1-407	<p>Addressing Loopholes in Background Checks Prior to Gun Sales RESOLVED, That the American Academy of Family Physicians release a statement to address loopholes that allow individuals convicted of violent crimes or assault to purchase guns in the United States from private sellers without a background check.</p>	Commission on Health of the Public and Science	
R1-408	<p>Supporting the Safety of Personal Care Products RESOLVED, That the American Academy of Family Physicians support legislation to protect the public from dangerous personal care and beauty products including making previously approved agents available for research, and be it further</p> <p>RESOLVED, That the American Academy of Family Physicians demonstrate this support by writing a letter to the appropriate senators, congress people, committees, and bodies, particularly the Senate Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pension, encouraging them to support legislation giving the Food and Drug Administration (FDA) more oversight over beauty-product safety, including the Personal Care Products Safety Act and urging more</p>	Commission on Health of the Public and Science	

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	investment to the National Toxicology Program for more rigorous scientific testing.		
R1-409	Establishing a Nationwide Sugar-Sweetened Beverage Tax to Combat Obesity and Comorbidities RESOLVED, That the American Academy of Family Physicians release a statement endorsing a nationwide sugar-sweetened beverage tax as a measure that would improve the health of all Americans.		
R2-501	Student Loan Refinancing Program RESOLVED, That the American Academy of Family Physicians study the feasibility of creating a loan refinancing program in partnership with a financial institution to reduce the effect of loans on physicians' finances and student choice.		
R2-502	Make a Statement Opposing Department of Health and Human Services Department Cuts to the Reproductive Health Programs and Funding RESOLVED, That the American Academy of Family Physicians issue a statement in support of reproductive health access and education programs and against the cuts to such programs by the Department of Health and Human Services.	Commission on Governmental Advocacy	
R2-503	Improve Physician Wellness Through Providing Travel Credit from Commercial Airline Partners		
R2-504	Harm Reduction Strategies to Prevent Opioid Overdose-related Events RESOLVED, That the American Academy of Family Physicians collaborate with partners in developing harm reduction strategies, including safe injection facilities.	Commission on Health of the Public and Science	
R2-505	Supporting Family Physicians in Advocating for Healthier Practice Environments		
R2-506	Implementing Objective Assessment of Resident Physician Burnout RESOLVED, That the American Academy of Family Physicians encourage and/or collaborate with the Accreditation Council for Graduate Medical Education to develop objective measures to quantify resident physician burnout.	Commission on Education	
R2-507	The Medicare and Medicaid Funding Shortage--Impact for Puerto Rico RESOLVED, That the American Academy of Family Physicians support equal funding for Medicaid and Medicare in Puerto Rico similar to the 50 states and District of Columbia, and be it further RESOLVED, That the American Academy of Family Physicians write a letter to the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services to uncap Puerto Rico's federal Medicare and Medicaid Funds.	Commission on Governmental Advocacy	
R2-508	Addressing Unmet Need: Personal Financial Education RESOLVED, That the American Academy of Family Physicians include education at the National Conference of Family Medicine Residents and Medical Students addressing personal financial issues such as budgeting, insurance, tax planning and retirement planning, and be it further	Commission on Education	

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	RESOLVED, That the educator of a session at the National Conference of Family Medicine Residents and Medical Students addressing personal financial issues be a certified financial planner who does not sell financial products to receive payment in the form of sales commissions.		
R2-509	Affiliating International Student Members with AAFP State Chapter RESOLVED, That international medical students be allowed to participate within the AAFP Student Congress as if they are American, domestic medical students, as long as they are members of the AAFP and their home state chapter.	Commission on Membership and Member Services	
R3-601	Creating an AAFP Minority Pipeline Program RESOLVED, That the American Academy of Family Physicians develop a professional and leadership development program incorporating additional elements including, but not limited to, formal mentorship opportunities, leadership training, and networking opportunities for underrepresented minority students and residents.	Commission on Education	
R3-602	Inclusion of Medical Graduates Awaiting Residency Positions RESOLVED, That the American Academy of Family Physicians and chapters investigate pathways for membership maintenance for graduates not yet in residency programs to stay connected to resources and continue to build on their passion for family medicine.	Commission Membership and Member Services	
R3-603	Milestone for Physician-to-Physician Hand-Offs on Patients Visiting from Out of City/Out of State		
R3-604	Explore Combining NCSM and NCFMR RESOLVED, That the National Congress of Family Medicine Residents and National Congress of Medical Students consider a limited number of joint student-resident resolutions at a joint Congress session.	Commission on Education	
R3-605	Improving Feedback on Student/Resident Resolutions RESOLVED, That the American Academy of Family Physicians explore the development of an online resource summarizing downstream actions and appropriate staff contact information related to all adopted resolutions from the National Congress of Student Members and the National Congress of Family Medicine Residents.	Commission on Education	
R3-606	Include the Papaya Workshop for Uterine Aspiration in the AAFP National Conference of Family Medicine Residents and Students		
R3-607	Encouraging Holistic Selection of FM Residency Applicants RESOLVED, That the American Academy of Family Physicians create a policy statement encouraging residency programs to utilize a more holistic method of selecting applicants to interview that does not overutilize the United States Medical Licensing Exam Step 1 or Step 2 scores or COMLEX scores, but also consider life experiences, educational background, and socioeconomic status of the applicants.	Commission on Education	
R3-608	Support Reproductive Health Education RESOLVED, That the American Academy of Family Physicians National Conference of Family Medicine Residents and Medical Students Planning Committee support	Commission on Education	

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	and encourage inclusion of reproductive health topics such as contraception, abortion, miscarriage, and options counseling for unintended pregnancy, as well as procedural topics such as intrauterine device insertion, uterine aspiration, and implant insertion at the meeting.		
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