

NORTH CAROLINA MEDICAL SOCIETY
HOUSE OF DELEGATES

RESOLUTION 2
(2015)

Subject: Medical Care Reinvention Act: A Conservative Voluntary Universal Health Care initiative

Introduced by: John Dykers, MD

WHEREAS, Physicians for a National Health Program is a non-profit research and education organization of 20,000 physicians, medical students and health professionals who support single-payer national health insurance; and

WHEREAS, Physicians for a National Health Program is promoting the "Medical Care Reinvention Act: A Conservative Voluntary Health Care Initiative"; and

WHEREAS, This Initiative calls for every adult (and person under age 18) wishing to be eligible to participate to choose a primary care physician who may be any physician (an individual) licensed to practice medicine in any of these United States and who is willing to accept for that person the role of primary care physician as defined in this act; and

WHEREAS, If a patient and primary care physician agree to enter into such a relationship, they shall jointly notify the FEDERAL AGENCY FOR MEDICAL PAYMENT (FAMP), hereby established by this act; and

WHEREAS, Clearly defined processes for termination of this agreement by either the patient or the primary care physician (PCP) are delineated; and

WHEREAS, If at any time the primary care role is more appropriately assumed by another physician and it is mutually agreed by the current primary care physician, the patient, and the succeeding primary care physician, the change may be made, but the succeeding primary care physician/patient relationship may not be unilaterally terminated without cause for two years, and

WHEREAS, The PCP and the FAMP shall maintain a list of all patients cared for by the PCP, and FAMP shall pay the Primary Care Physician X dollars for each patient on the list for all or any part of each month. The patient may pay to the physician a mutually agreeable incentive to fill that role and the physician may rebate to a patient all or part of list fee, and

WHEREAS, The PCP may delegate functions to other qualified persons and may pay others to perform the PCP functions but will retain authority and responsibility for all such functions. Physician charges for medical care, both primary and consultative, preventive care, acute illness, chronic disease management, surgery, diagnostic evaluation, mental health care, whatever effort is being made on behalf of the patient to most efficiently maintain or restore the patient to a reasonably obtainable functional level will be designated as "Professional services rendered" and will be documented by appropriate patient care records and will be billed in dollars U.S., and

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2 WHEREAS, Therapeutic modalities (Physical therapy, Chiropractic, Massage therapy, acupuncture, electric
3 shock therapy, whatever modality may be applied to the patient in an appropriate attempt at healing),
4 Dental care and dentures, Podiatric care and special shoes and inserts, Optometrist and optician care and
5 glasses and contact lenses, Audiology services and hearing aids, Durable and disposable medical
6 equipment and supplies wherever used as permits improved function{beds, wheelchairs, walkers, canes,
7 lifts, whatever most efficiently improves patient function and healing). Email visits, telemedicine, and
8 whatever technology allows suitable medical care to be delivered to benefit the patient, and therefore be
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11 RESOLVED, That the North Carolina medical Society endorse and support the Medical Care
12 Reinvention Act: A Conservative Voluntary Universal Health Care initiative.
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Fiscal Note: Total Estimated Costs to the North Carolina Medical Society depending on level of support.