

**SPEAKER'S REPORT
NCMS HOUSE OF DELEGATES
OCTOBER 24-OCTOBER 25, 2014
DOCIA E. HICKEY, MD, SPEAKER**

*The 2013 House of Delegates considered and acted on 26 items of business.
(October 25-October 26, 2013)*

Report/Resolution	House Action	Status
Report A – Future Dates and Sites for NCMS Annual Meetings	Adopted	Incorporated into Administrative Policy Manual. Locations are to be determined subject to satisfactory contractual negotiations. 2015 contract with Grandover Resort, Greensboro, NC, executed.
Report B – Ensuring Adequate Training for First Responders	Adopted	Letter sent from president to NC Dept. of Public Instruction with recommendations from NCMS.
Report C – 2014 Budget	Adopted	Incorporated into Administrative Policy Manual.
Report D – Resolution 5-2012--- Is the Doctor a Physician?	Adopted as Amended	Incorporated into Policy Manual.
Report E – Resolution 7-2012--- Insurance Owned Physician Practices	Adopted	NCMS staff has communicated with the NC Department of Insurance and health plan representatives about for insurance-owned practices. NCMS will continue to watch for activity in this area and engage when appropriate.
Report F -- Resolution 13-2012 Support of Mandatory Drug Testing for High School Students Participating in School Activities	Adopted to File	No action necessary.
Report G – North Carolina Medical Society Policies	Adopted	Incorporated into Policy Manual.

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Resolution 1 – Mental Health and Background Checks for Gun Ownership	Referred for Study and Report Back (to be considered with Resolution 5)	Report sent to HOD for action—See Report B.
Resolution 2 – Support of Fee Simplification Regarding Release of Medical Information	Filed	No action necessary.
Resolution 3 – Requiring Certification of Good Faith from a Physician in an Adjoining State to Proceed with a Medical Litigation Case	Not Adopted	No action necessary.
Resolution 4 – Separate Licensure for Schedule 2 Narcotics	Not Adopted	No action necessary.
Resolution 5 – Handgun Laws	Referred for Study and Report Back (to be considered with Resolution 1)	Report sent to HOD for action—See Report B.
Resolution 6 – Objection to Attachment of State Licensure to Medicare and/or Medicaid Participation	Filed	No action necessary.

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Resolution 7 – Abolish Sexual Orientation as Grounds for Job Termination	Filed	No action necessary.
Resolution 8 – On-Field Testing of all Participants Playing Football within the State of North Carolina	Referred for Study and Report Back	Report sent to HOD for action—See Report C.
Resolution 9 – Lifting the Extrapolation Method of Medicaid Audit	Substitute Resolution 12 Adopted in Lieu of Resolutions 9 and 12	Incorporated in Policy Manual.
Resolution 10 – Mandatory Marijuana Testing for All Students Participating in Extra-Curricular Activities	Filed	No action necessary.
Resolution 11 – Medication Take-Back Program	Amendment to Existing NCMS Policy “Disposal of Medication,” Adopted in lieu of Resolution 11	Incorporated in Policy Manual.
Resolution 12—Recovery Audit Contractors	Substitute Resolution 12 Adopted in Lieu of Resolutions 9 and 12	Incorporated in Policy Manual.
Resolution 13 – Epidemic ‘Opioid Overdose’ Deaths in America	Adopted as Amended with Title Change to “Increased Availability of Opioid-Antagonists”	Incorporated in Policy Manual.

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Resolution 14 – Support for Statewide Pediatric Growth Chart Registry	Adopted as Amended	Incorporated in Policy Manual.
Resolution 15 – Physician Assistant Membership in County Medical Societies	Adopted	County societies contacted and encouraged endorsement of inclusion of PAs in their members.
Resolution 16 – Expansion of Medicaid under the Affordable Care Act in North Carolina	Filed	No action necessary.
Resolution 17 – Medical Student Representation on the NCMS Board of Directors	Referred for Study and Report Back	<p>Report sent to HOD for action—See Report D. Recommendations reported to Board of Directors, included:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The Chairs of the Medical Student Section will be invited to the NCMS Specialty Societies Summit, along with other stakeholders, during 2015. The chairs will attend and participate on behalf of NCMS medical students. • The Chairs of the Medical Student Section will be notified at the beginning of each year of the schedule of NCMS Board of Directors meetings and invited to attend. The Chairs will be asked to designate a contact person for the Board meetings. • The Board of Directors welcomes Medical Student input and will continue to consider opportunities for involvement for all categories of NCMS membership.

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		<ul style="list-style-type: none">At this time, the Board does not support a dedicated voting position for a medical student or other membership section.
Resolution 18 – Supporting Expanded Physical Education Programs in the Public Schools Grades K-12	Filed	No action necessary.
Resolution 19 – Funding of the AIDS Drug Assistance Program	Adopted as Amended	Incorporated in Policy Manual.

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