

PUBLIC HEALTH AND EDUCATION

150 Protecting Children from Exposure to Second Hand Smoke
Introduced by the Queens County Medical Society
MSSNY POLICY 300.946 Second-Hand Smoke Policies to Apply to the Pediatric Population REAFFIRMED IN LIEU OF RESOLUTION 150

151 Smoke-Free Multi-Unit Housing
Introduced by the Fifth and Six District Branches
ADOPTED AS AMENDED

RESOLVED, That the Medical Society of the State of New York support the implementation of policies which incentivizes tenants and landlords to seek smoke free multi-unit housing.

152 Evaluation and Education vs. Marijuana Possession Arrest
Introduced by Norman Wetterau, MD, Delegate
MSSNY POLICY 65.986 Treatment Rather than Arrest for Marijuana Possession REAFFIRMED IN LIEU OF RESOLUTION 152

153 Ban the Use of Paraquat
Introduced by Nassau County Medical Society
ADOPTED AS AMENDED

RESOLVED, MSSNY support state legislation to permanently ban the use of Paraquat in all forms in New York State; and be it further

RESOLVED, That MSSNY transmit a copy of this resolution to the AMA for its consideration at its annual House of Delegates.

154 Policy on Quarantine
Introduced by Suffolk County Medical Society
SUBSTITUTE RESOLUTION ADOPTED.

RESOLVED, that the Medical Society of the State of New York adopt policy that state and local government quarantines are developed based from evidence- based medicine and have strong due process protections; and be it further

RESOLVED, that the Medical Society of the State of New York support that the medical profession collaborate with state and local public health officials to take an active role in ensuring that quarantine and isolation interventions is evidence-based; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this resolution be forwarded to the American Medical Association House of Delegates for its consideration.

155 Pediatric/Adolescent Informed Concussion Discussion
Introduced by Suffolk County Medical Society
SUBSTITUTE RESOLUTION ADOPTED.

RESOLVED, that the Medical Society of the State of New York support that New York State Education Department (SED) amend its “*Guidelines for Concussion Management in the School Setting*” to include informed consent prior to participation in intramural and interscholastic athletics and that this consent discuss the risk of short and long term impact of mild traumatic brain injuries; and be it further

RESOLVED, that a copy of this resolution be transmitted to AMA to seek similar federal regulations/legislation incorporating the informed consent provisions.

156 Promoting 4-Year, Vertical Ultrasound Curricula in Undergraduate Medical Education
Introduced by the County of Kings Medical Society
REFERRED TO COUNCIL

157 Development and Promotion of Evidence-based Ultrasound-First Radiation Mitigating Protocols
Introduced by the County of Kings Medical Society
REFERRED TO COUNCIL

158 Reform of I-Stop
Introduced by the Nassau County Medical Society
NOT ADOPTED.

159 Treatment of Opioid Overdoses in the Emergency Department
Introduced by Norman Wetterau, MD, Delegate
SUBSTITUTE RESOLUTION ADOPTED; TITLE CHANGE

RESOLVED, that the Medical Society of the State of New York strongly encourage all physicians and hospitals to advocate to patients the substance use treatment options, including buprenorphine, available to them in treating addiction; and be it further

RESOLVED, that MSSNY encourage collaboration with multi stakeholders for integrated Medicated Assistance Treatment (MAT) for the management of addictions; and be it further

RESOLVED, that MSSNY encourage physicians and other medical staff to become voluntarily certified to prescribe buprenorphine.

160 Supervised Injection Facilities
Introduced by the MSSNY Committee on Infectious Disease; MSSNY Committee on Addiction and Psychiatric Medicine Committee, and Suffolk County Medical Society
ADOPTED.

RESOLVED, that the Medical Society of the State of New York advocate to the American Medical Association for a comprehensive study of Supervised Injection Facilities in the United States.

161 Appropriate Role of Pain Assessment in the Clinical Environment
Introduced by the Fifth and Sixth District Branches
ADOPTED.

RESOLVED, Medical Society of the State of New York publically state that the ongoing focus on pain, pain assessment, and pain management is contributing to the opioid epidemic; and be it further

RESOLVED, That pain needs to be evaluated and treated within a medical model that addresses underlying pathophysiology and, when possible, addresses the source;

RESOLVED, That MSSNY support discontinuation of the use of pain as a metric to evaluate physicians and hospitals by accrediting organizations such as the Joint Commission,

RESOLVED, That MSSNY lobby the New York Legislature to have the use of pain as a 5th vital sign removed from both the clinical environment as well as all evaluator metrics in the State of New York.

162 Preserving Vaccine Policy in the United States
*Introduced by MSSNY's Committee on Infectious Disease
MSSNY Committee on Preventive Medicine and Family Health*
ADOPTED.

RESOLVED, That the he Medical Society of the State of New York continue to support evidence that vaccines are an effective mechanism for controlling communicable disease and protecting public health; and be it further

RESOLVED, That the Medical Society of the State of New York continue to support vaccine guidance that is evidence-based; and be it further

RESOLVED, That the Medical Society of the State of New York oppose the creation of a new federal commission on vaccine safety whose task is to study an association between autism and vaccines; and be it further

RESOLVED, that a copy of this resolution be sent to the AMA for its consideration.

163 Survey: New York Physicians Attitudes toward Medical Aid in Dying
Introduced by the Third and Fourth Districts
ADOPTED AS AMENDED.

RESOLVED, that Medical Society of the State of New York conduct a membership (may substitute “physician”) survey to determine their attitudes toward medical aid-in-dying with a report of findings to the MSSNY Council or House of Delegates; and be it further

RESOLVED, that the Medical Society of the State of New York involve its Bioethics Committee in the development of an unbiased survey on this issue.

164 Medical Spectrum of Gender
Introduced by the Suffolk County Medical Society
ADOPTED AS AMENDED.

RESOLVED, That Medical Society of the State of New York (MSSNY) partner with appropriate medical organizations and community based organizations to inform and educate the medical community and the public on the medical spectrum of gender identity as a complex interplay of gene expressions and biologic development; and be it further

RESOLVED, That the Medical Society of the State of New York transmit a copy of this resolution to the AMA for its consideration.

165 Development and Utilization of Clinical Decision Support Systems to Reduce Gender Disparities and Bias in Healthcare
Introduced by the MSSNY Medical Student Section
ADOPTED AS AMENDED.

RESOLVED, that MSSNY will support implementation of clinical decision support systems designed to mitigate gender bias in diagnosis and treatment.

166 Reinstate the AMA Commission to Eliminate Health Care Disparities
Introduced by the MSSNY Committee to Eliminate Healthcare Disparities
ADOPTED AS AMENDED.

RESOLVED, That the Medical Society of the State of New York urge the American Medical Association to reinstate the Commission to Eliminate Health Care Disparities, and to include goals and objectives, and Specific, Measurable, Agreed upon, Realistic and Time Related (SMART) metrics; and be it further

RESOLVED, that a copy of this resolution be sent to the AMA for its consideration at the 2017 Annual AMA House of Delegates.

167 No Physicians Organization Should Support Political Candidates Who Oppose Women's Choice
Introduced by Peter Liebert, MD and Robert Lerner, MD, Delegates
NOT ADOPTED.

168 Sickle Cell Anemia Research and Management Funding
Introduced by Niraj Acharya, MD, Delegate
ADOPTED AS AMENDED.

RESOLVED, That MSSNY work with NY State Department of Health to sustain a funding increase for Sickle Cell Anemia research and management.

169 Mandated Use of a Face Mask by those Not Receiving Flu Shots
Introduced by Robert Hughes, MD, Past President, Trustee
SUBSTITUTE RESOLUTION ADOPTED.

RESOLVED, That the Medical Society of the State of New York request that the New York State Department of Health conduct an evidence-based review of the hospital regulations on masks in preventing the transmission of influenza.