

SUBJECT: Policy Deletions

SUBMITTED BY: Ohio Osteopathic Association Board of Trustees

REFERRED TO:

1 **RESOLVED THAT THE FOLLOWING POLICY STATEMENTS BE DELETED:**

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3 **Anorectic Medications, Use for the Treatment of Obesity**

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5 ~~RESOLVED, that the Ohio Osteopathic Association (OOA) continue to seek~~
6 ~~amendments to Ohio State Medical Board Rule 4731-11-04 of the Ohio Administrative~~
7 ~~Code, Section C, paragraph 2 (A) to extend the total course of treatment for weight~~
8 ~~reduction when using controlled substances from 12 weeks to 24 weeks; and be it further~~
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10 ~~RESOLVED, that the OOA also seek to amend Ohio State Medical Board Rule 4731-11-~~
11 ~~04, Section C, paragraph 3 to decrease the waiting period between the use of controlled~~
12 ~~substances for the purpose of weight reduction from six to three months. (original 2001)~~
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14 *EXPLANATION: The recommendations in this resolution have been presented to and*
15 *considered by the Medical Board of Ohio and the Ohio Board of Pharmacy.*
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17 **Human Immunodeficiency Virus (HIV)**

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19 ~~RESOLVED, that the Ohio Osteopathic Association continues to support the AOA~~
20 ~~Position Statement, entitled Human Immunodeficiency Virus (HIV), as its own and be it~~
21 ~~further,~~
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23 ~~RESOLVED, that all resolutions concerning HIV or AIDS that are submitted to the OOA~~
24 ~~House of Delegates for consideration be automatically referred to the AOA Task Force~~
25 ~~on AIDS for an opinion before any action is taken by the OOA House of Delegates.~~
26 ~~(original 1992)~~
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28 *EXPLANATION: This resolution was written during the early years of the AIDS*
29 *epidemic when resolutions numerous resolutions were being introduced without an*
30 *evidence-based understanding of the disease.*
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32 **Managed Care, Access to Care in Rural Areas**

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34 ~~RESOLVED, that the Ohio Osteopathic Association seek and/or support legislation~~
35 ~~which requires third party carriers to do the following:~~

- 36 1. ~~Contract with a least one hospital in each county where it offers a managed care~~
37 ~~program, provided such a hospital exists in that county;~~
38 2. ~~Provide at least a ninety day notice to its policyholders informing them of an~~
39 ~~impending change which may restrict the choice of providers; and~~

40 ~~3. Require written notification to all providers terminated from a managed care plan at~~
41 ~~least 30 days prior to said termination. (original 1991)~~

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43 **Managed Care Plans – “Drive Thru Deliveries”**

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45 ~~RESOLVED, that the Ohio Osteopathic Association believes that the decision to~~
46 ~~discharge a patient from a hospital or birthing facility should be left to the physician in~~
47 ~~charge and not based solely on the financial consideration of an insurance company or~~
48 ~~health insuring corporation; and be it further~~

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50 ~~RESOLVED, that the Ohio Osteopathic Association recommends and supports open and~~
51 ~~full disclosure of all insurance company and health insuring corporation policies to~~
52 ~~enable enrollees to know and understand what is intended by the terms and/or conditions~~
53 ~~that may be written in their policies; and be it further~~

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55 ~~RESOLVED, that the Ohio Osteopathic Association supports the premise that physicians~~
56 ~~should not be penalized or retaliated against by an insurance company or health insuring~~
57 ~~corporation for exercising their medical judgment in providing sound healthcare to~~
58 ~~newborns and their mothers. (original 1996)~~

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60 **Prepaid Health Plans, Osteopathic Participation**

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62 ~~RESOLVED, that the Ohio Osteopathic Association continues to seek legislation to~~
63 ~~ensure that all managed care organizations (MCOs) must include appropriate numbers of~~
64 ~~osteopathic primary and specialty physicians who are members of the medical staff of~~
65 ~~MCO designated hospitals as well as AOA accredited hospitals in their network panels in~~
66 ~~order to provide continuity of care for patients who choose osteopathic medical care.~~
67 ~~(original 1991)~~