

AMERICAN MEDICAL ASSOCIATION HOUSE OF DELEGATES

Resolution: 207
(A-18)

Introduced by: American Academy of Pediatrics
Subject: Quality Improvement Requirements
Referred to: Reference Committee B
(R. Dale Blasier, MD, Chair)

1 Whereas, One of the major causes of physician burn-out is the redundancy and time involved in
2 meeting quality improvement requirements to prove to hospitals, payers, licensing agencies,
3 and specialty boards that physicians are practicing good medicine; and
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5 Whereas, It is very expensive for physicians to meet the quality improvement requirements of
6 payers, hospitals, licensing agencies, and specialty boards; and
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8 Whereas, Our AMA could do more to help physicians convince payers, hospitals, licensing
9 agencies, and specialty boards that physicians should be able to utilize one menu of quality
10 improvement activities in order to meet the quality improvement requirements of the multiple
11 entities that need proof that physicians are practicing good medicine; therefore be it
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13 RESOLVED, That our American Medical Association develop a quality improvement initiative so
14 that if physicians complete quality improvement requirements of their specialty boards, that
15 payers, hospitals, and licensing agencies will accept the specialty board certification evidence
16 that physicians are practicing good medicine and will not require physicians to meet separate
17 quality improvement requirements of payers, hospitals, and licensing agencies. (Directive to
18 Take Action)

Fiscal Note: Minimal - less than \$1,000.

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