

RESOLUTION 2022-A

SUBJECT: Credit for Attendance of Association Meetings

SUBMITTED TO: Michigan Osteopathic Association House of Delegates

SUBMITTED BY: Stephen Swetech, DO, FACOFP

REFERRED TO: Professional Affairs Reference Committee

RECCOMENDATION: Approve as re-written/ amended

ACTION TAKEN AT MOA HOD:

~~Whereas, attendance in professional meetings and hospital services are needed for proper functioning and recruitment and member attendance is difficult; and~~

~~Whereas, the American Osteopathic Association is said to have given notice that credit can be given for needed or required meetings; therefore be it~~

~~Resolved, that the Macomb County Osteopathic Medical Association, Michigan Osteopathic Association, Michigan Association of Osteopathic Family Physicians, American College of Osteopathic Family Physicians, etc. give credit for individuals performing needed functions to individuals volunteering their time to such professional organizations.~~

WHEREAS, OSTEOPATHIC PROFESSIONAL ASSOCIATIONS AND HOSPITAL STAFF, DEPARTMENTAL AND COMMITTEE MEETINGS ARE NECESSARY FOR PROPER ENTITY FUNCTIONING; AND

WHEREAS, ORGANIZATIONAL RECRUITMENT AND MEMBER ATTENDANCE IS OFTEN CHALLENGING; AND

WHEREAS, THE AMERICAN OSTEOPATHIC ASSOCIATION (AOA) IS CONSIDERING THE GRANTING OF CONTINUING MEDICAL EDUCATION (CME) CREDIT FOR ATTENDING PROFESSIONAL OR HOSPITAL MEETINGS; THEREFORE BE IT

RESOLVED, THAT THE MICHIGAN OSTEOPATHIC COMPONENT AND SPECIALTY ASSOCIATIONS THROUGH THE MICHIGAN OSTEOPATHIC ASSOCIATION (MOA), AS WELL AS THE MOA ITSELF, CONSIDER ISSUING CME CREDIT FOR MEETING ATTENDANCE AS WELL AS FOR OTHER PROFESSIONAL OSTEOPATHIC ASSOCIATION VOLUNTEER ACTIVITIES SUCH AS BOARD OR COMMITTEE SERVICE, PENDING A FINAL APPROVAL BY THE AOA TO AUTHORIZE THE GRANTING OF CME CREDIT FOR SUCH ACTIVITIES.

COMMENT FROM DR. ROBERT PICCININI, AOA TRUSTEE: Jeff Fraler, AOA AVP of Education and CME, association and departmental meetings will not and do not meet requirements for CME. therefore resolution A should not go through. This was consistent in both the 2019-21 and 22-24 cycles.