

RESOLUTION 2022-D

SUBJECT: Unreasonable Evaluation and Management

SUBMITTED TO: Michigan Osteopathic Association House of Delegates

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REFERRED TO: Professional Affairs Reference Committee

RECCOMENDATION: Disapprove as written

ACTION TAKEN AT MOA HOD:

1 **Whereas**, rising costs in all sectors of the economy, including health-care, resulting in an
2 attempt to reduce costs; and

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4 **Whereas**, third party payers have approached companies whose sole purpose is to influence
5 physicians to reduce costly care under the guise of health improvement; and

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7 **Whereas**, studies have indicated that cost reduction has not improved health care metrics; and

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9 **Whereas**, cost care reduction companies, such as Change Healthcare inform third party payer
10 providers with conflicting messages, including providers one month have too many 99214 billed
11 visits, and later report the provider billed too many 99213 visits;

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13 **Whereas**, even a provider's modifier 25 billing codes are scrutinized, despite the complex
14 nature of primary care; therefore, be it

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16 **Resolved**, that the MOA alert the third-party payers, such as Blue Cross Blue Shield of Michigan,
17 that the cost reduction corporations, such as Change Healthcare, are just causing uneasiness
18 with providers, tethering on harassment and not improving the health outcomes necessary in
19 health care; and be it further

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21 **Resolved**, that the MOA alert third party payers those threatening providers in an adversarial
22 posture is unreasonable and improper not improving required health care metrics.

NOTES FROM REFERENCE COMMITTEE: this resolution contains MULTIPLE statements without any references to evidence to support these statements. The MOA cannot take a stand without showing systematic issue or evidence of malfeasance.