

RESOLUTION 64 - 05A

Title: Continuing Medical Education for Re-Licensure
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Referred to: Reference Committee E
House Action: Referred to the Board for Study

Whereas, the state of Michigan requires 50 hours of continuing medical education (CME) annually for physician re-licensure, and

Whereas, the relationship between hours of CME accrued and the effect on the quality of a physician's practice is tenuous at best, and

Whereas, the members of MSMS desire to demonstrate our commitment to the maintenance and improvement of the care of our patients, and

Whereas, MSMS can be influential in prompting a review of the requirements for re-licensure and making recommendations for changes; therefore be it

RESOLVED: That MSMS create a task force to conduct a review of the impact of conventional continuing medical education (CME) on physician knowledge, skills and behavior; other methods and approaches, not currently linked to re-licensure, that will assure our patients that the knowledge, skills and behaviors of our members meet currently accepted standards; other methods and approaches that will assure our patients that our members are continuously re-evaluating their practice of medicine and striving to improve it; and be it further

RESOLVED: That the report on the findings of a new MSMS task force on continuing medical education be made to the MSMS Board of Directors with the intention of influencing any proposed requirements for re-licensure.

WAYS AND MEANS COMMITTEE FISCAL NOTE: NONE