

RESOLUTION 32-07A

Title: Incentives to Reduce Services to Patients
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Referred to: Reference Committee A
House Action: Adopted as Amended

Whereas, insurance companies offer incentives to physicians to alter their behavior, and

Whereas, this may result in the reduction of services provided or utilized by patients, and

Whereas, the reduction of services offered, due to incentives not to treat, may be unethical; therefore be it

RESOLVED: That MSMS ask the MSMS Bioethics Committee to study the ethics of the practice of physicians accepting incentives that may negatively affect patient care; and be it further

RESOLVED: That the Michigan Delegation to the AMA ask the AMA to ask the Council on Ethical and Judicial Affairs (CEJA) and/or the Council on Medical Service of the AMA to study the ethics of the practice of physicians accepting incentives that may negatively affect patient care.

WAYS AND MEANS COMMITTEE FISCAL NOTE: NONE