

RESOLUTION 34-07A

Title: Hemoglobin Levels Requiring Transfusions
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Referred to: Reference Committee E
House Action: Disapproved

Whereas, anemia can be acute or chronic, and

Whereas, a patient's health status and age may adversely affect a patient's response to different levels of anemia, and

Whereas, the individual assessment of the patient with anemia by the physician is the best way to determine the need for transfusion; therefore be it

RESOLVED: That the Michigan Delegation to the AMA ask the AMA to work with the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS) to change present rules that allow or disallow transfusions based solely on a hemoglobin level.

WAYS AND MEANS COMMITTEE FISCAL NOTE: NONE