

RESOLUTION 24-08A

Title: Physician Access to Insurance Fee Schedules
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Referred to: Reference Committee A
House Action: Adopted as Amended

Whereas, what a physician charges has no correlation to what insurance companies will reimburse, and

Whereas, insurance companies reimburse physicians based on insurance companies fee schedules, and

Whereas, in order to make business decisions, physicians must have real-time access to insurance company fee schedules in order to compare their actual reimbursement with their negotiated reimbursement so that discrepancies can be appealed, and

Whereas, in some physician contracts with insurance companies, the insurance companies can arbitrarily change their fee schedules without renegotiating their contracts; therefore be it

RESOLVED: That MSMS urge the Michigan state legislature and governor to pass legislation requiring insurance companies to make their current contracted fee schedules available securely online to physicians before and after they negotiate contracts and to contact physicians 60 days in advance of any changes to the fee schedule; and be it further

RESOLVED: That the Michigan Delegation to the AMA ask the AMA to seek federal legislation to require all insurance companies to make their current contracted fee schedules available securely online to physicians before and after they negotiate contracts and to contact physicians 60 days in advance of any changes to the fee schedule.

WAYS AND MEANS COMMITTEE FISCAL NOTE: NONE