

MEDICAL SOCIETY OF DELAWARE

Resolution: XX
(A-XX)

Introduced by: AUTHOR NAME, MD

Subject: RESOLUTION TITLE SHOULD ACCURATELY CAPTURE WHAT IS BEING
ASKED IN THE RESOLVE CLAUSES

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- 1 Whereas, 50% of primary care visits involve concerns about behavioral health comorbidities and
2 60% of mental illness is treated by primary care providers; and¹
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4 Whereas, Child and adolescent psychiatry is one of the most underserved medical
5 subspecialties; and
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7 Whereas, Primary care physicians often feel unprepared to manage patients with complex
8 psychiatric comorbidities; and
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10 Whereas, Internal medicine, family medicine, and pediatric residents do not receive
11 collaborative psychiatric supervision during their residency, nor do psychiatry residents and
12 fellows receive training in how to liaise with primary care offices; and
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14 Whereas, Our AMA has policy which encourages practicing physicians to seek out continuing
15 medical education opportunities on integrated physical and behavioral health care and promotes
16 the development of sustainable payment models that would be used to fund the necessary
17 services inherent in integrating behavioral health care services into primary care settings (AMA
18 policy H-385.915); therefore be it
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20 RESOLVED, That our AMA-RFS support enhanced funding for residency training programs
21 which emphasize the integration of mental health and primary care; and be it further
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23 RESOLVED, That our AMA-RFS support appropriate reimbursement to support the practice of
24 integrated physical and mental health care in clinical care settings.
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26 Fiscal Note:
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References:

1. [ADD CITATIONS TO RELEVANT RESOURCES THAT SUPPORT THE INFORMATION, STATISTICS, AND/OR EVIDENCE PRESENTED IN THE WHEREAS CLAUSES]
2. [EXAMPLE] Pirl W.F., Beck B.J., Safren, S. A., Kim H (2001). "A descriptive study of psychiatric consultations in a community primary care center". Primary Care Companion Journal of Clinical Psychiatry 3 (5): 190–194. doi:10.4088/PCC.v03n0501