

**2006 ANNUAL MEETING
MEDICAL SOCIETY OF NEW JERSEY**

Report: Reference Committee B

Presented by: Douglas B. Moore, MD, Chair

1 **SECRETARY**

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3 **Recommendation:**

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5 The Reference Committee recommends that the report be filed.

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7 **TREASURER**

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9 **Recommendation:**

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11 The Reference Committee recommends that the report be filed.

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13 **COMMITTEE ON FINANCE AND BUDGET**

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15 **Recommendation (1):**

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17 The Reference Committee recommends that recommendation 1 be approved.

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19 **Recommendation (2):**

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21 The Reference Committee recommends that recommendations 2–7 be received as
22 informational and that the report be filed.

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24 **COUNCIL ON MEDICAL SERVICES**

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26 **Recommendation:**

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28 The Reference Committee recommends that the report be filed.

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30 **NOMINATIONS FOR EMERITUS MEMBERSHIP AND SUPPLEMENTALS**

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32 **Recommendation:**

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34 The Reference Committee recommends that the nominations be approved.

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1 **RESOLUTION 1 – RESTORATION OF THE POWER OF THE HOUSE OF**
2 **DELEGATES TO DETERMINE MEMBERSHIP DUES** *(This resolution was*
3 *originally placed in Reference Committee A and was moved to Reference Committee B*
4 *so that budget issues could be discussed together.)*

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6 **Recommendation:**

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8 The Reference Committee recommends that Resolution 1 not be adopted.

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10 The Reference Committee noted that the House of Delegates voted to amend Chapter X,
11 Section 1(b) of the Bylaws—such that dues are now determined by the Board of
12 Trustees—at the September 24, 2005, special session. The Transactions of that special
13 session were approved at the first session of the 2006 House of Delegates meeting.

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15 **RESOLUTION 3 – MSNJ ANNUAL MEETING**

16 **RESOLUTION 5 – SELECTION OF ANNUAL MEETING LOCATION**

17 **RESOLUTION 12 – MSNJ ANNUAL MEETING**

18 **RESOLUTION 13 – GEOGRAPHIC DISTRIBUTION OF MSNJ ANNUAL**
19 **MEETING**

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21 Because of their similarity in subject matter, these four resolutions were considered at the
22 same time.

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24 **Recommendation:**

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26 The Reference Committee recommends that the following Substitute
27 Resolution for Resolutions 3, 5, 12, and 13 be adopted:

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29 Resolved, that the Medical Society of New Jersey hold sessions of the
30 House of Delegates on weekends and in New Jersey, when feasible.

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32 **RESOLUTION 22 – BROADER PHYSICIAN PARTICIPATION IN THE**
33 **ANNUAL MEETING COMMITTEE**

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35 **Recommendation:**

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37 The Reference Committee recommends that Resolution 22 not be adopted.

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39 The Reference Committee was advised that the president was always able to appoint an
40 unlimited number of members to serve on this committee; the only restriction was the
41 number of elected members, which is limited to three. Any county with a member
42 interested in serving on this committee should contact the current president.

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1 **RESOLUTION 10 – STANDARD FORMULARY REVIEW BOARD**

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3 **Recommendation:**

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5 The Reference Committee recommends that Resolution 10 be referred to
6 the Board of Trustees for further investigation.

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8 The Reference Committee recommends that the Board of Trustees request a report from
9 the chair of the New Jersey Drug Utilization Review Board that will indicate whether
10 patients and physicians are being protected against formulary limitations and will indicate
11 whether existing regulation N.J.A.C. 8:38-18.1 is being enforced.

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13 **RESOLUTION 15 – CREATING NEW CPT REIMBURSEMENT CATEGORY**

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15 **Recommendation:**

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17 The Reference Committee recommends that the following Substitute
18 Resolution for Resolution 15 be adopted:

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20 Resolved, that the Medical Society of New Jersey petition the American
21 Medical Association to recognize the increasing burden of administrative
22 time spent on patient advocacy and quality assurance with third-party
23 payers by creating a new CPT code with payment for this activity.

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25 **RESOLUTION 24 – PRESCRIPTION MEDICATION**

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27 **Recommendation:**

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29 The Reference Committee recommends that the following Substitute
30 Resolution for Resolution 24 be adopted:

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32 Resolved, that the Medical Society of New Jersey petition the
33 commissioner of the New Jersey Department of Banking and Insurance to
34 require insurance companies to eliminate pre-certification for FDA-
35 approved prescription medications for the first seven business days
36 covered by each new prescription.

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38 **RESOLUTION 25 – PROVIDER LIST UPDATES**

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40 **Recommendation:**

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42 The Reference Committee recommends that Resolution 25 be adopted as
43 amended to read:

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1 Resolved, that the Medical Society of New Jersey request the
2 commissioner of the New Jersey Department of Banking and Insurance to
3 require insurance companies to update their provider lists ~~monthly~~
4 quarterly to prevent misleading the public as to who is a member of the
5 provider’s network.

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7 **RESOLUTION 26 – PURCHASE OF INSURANCE**

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9 **Recommendation:**

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11 The Reference Committee recommends that MSNJ policy 60.998 (“MSNJ
12 endorses the access of health care insurance of a varied nature to every
13 citizen in New Jersey.”) be reaffirmed in lieu of Resolution 26.

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15 **RESOLUTION 27 – PHONE AND PAPERWORK RELIEF**

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17 **Recommendation:**

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19 The Reference Committee recommends that the following Substitute
20 Resolution for Resolution 27 be adopted:

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22 Resolved, that the Medical Society of New Jersey adopt a policy that
23 considers administrative functions not related to direct patient care, such
24 as phone and paperwork time, as non-covered services; and be it further
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26 Resolved, that the Medical Society of New Jersey petition the
27 commissioner of the New Jersey Department of Banking and Insurance to
28 recognize these services as being non-covered.

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30 The Reference Committee heard a great deal of testimony about the onerous demands of
31 paperwork, pre-authorizations, etc. and recognized the need to have this extra work be
32 compensated appropriately.

Membership of the Committee:

Douglas B. Moore, MD, chair; Donald J. Cinotti, MD, Anita Falla, MD, Joseph J. Fallon, Jr., MD, Louis G. Fares, II, MD, Matis A. Fermaglich, MD, and Christopher E. Gribbin, MD