

1 **Board of Regents Actions Taken on BOG Resolutions, April 30, 2022, Organizational Mtg.**

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3 **Adopted and referred for implementation:** *(Lines 25-54; 77-99)*

- 4 1-S22. Encouraging Transparency of Medical Honor Society Selection Processes to Eliminate Racial
5 Disparities in Membership Induction
6 3-S22. Encouraging Development of Evidence-Based Guidance for Healthcare Facility Visitation during the
7 Ongoing COVID-19 Pandemic and Public Health Crises
8 4-S22. Advocating for Ethical Business Models That Promote Safety in the Care of Vulnerable Persons
9 5-S22. Acknowledging the Manner in which EHRs Alert and Messaging Functions Burden
10 Physicians and Compromise Patient Safety
11 8-S22. Piloting a Well-being Submission Category for Medical Students, Resident/
12 Fellows, and Early Career Physicians in ACP National Abstract Competitions
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14 **Adopted as a Reaffirmation:** *(Lines 57-72)*

- 15 11-S22. Acknowledging Individual ACP Members for Their Commitment to the ACP
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17 **Referred for Study:** *(Lines 101-122)*

- 18 12-S22. Forming a National ACP International Medical Graduate Council
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20 The Board of Regents approved, as a Consent Calendar, the recommendations regarding the
21 disposition of each of the following 4 resolutions recommended for adoption at the Spring 2022 Board
22 of Governors Meeting:
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24 **BOG Recommends for Adoption/Implementation with Amendments:**

25 ***3-S22. Encouraging Development of Evidence-Based Guidance for Healthcare Facility Visitation***
26 ***during the Ongoing COVID-19 Pandemic and Public Health Crises***
27 ***(RRC Referral Recommendation: Ethics, Professionalism, and Human Rights Committee (EPHRC) with***
28 ***input from Health and Public Policy Committee [HPPC]).***

29 RESOLVED, that the Board of Regents work actively on encouraging development of evidence-
30 based guidance for healthcare facility visitation policies which may be enacted during the
31 ongoing COVID-19 pandemic and during public health crises; and be it further
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33 RESOLVED, that the Board of Regents advocate with local, state, and federal authorities to
34 require that healthcare facilities facilitate and encourage in person visitation to the extent
35 safety precautions allow employing policies regarding in person visitation that are evidence
36 based and reached after consultation with community and physician stakeholders.
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38 ***4-S22. Advocating for Ethical Business Models That Promote Safety in the Care of Vulnerable Persons***
39 ***(RRC Referral Recommendation: EPHRC with input from HPPC)***

40 RESOLVED, that the Board of Regents develop policy on ethical implications of long-term care
41 business practices, specifically calling for research into and advocating for business models in
42 long-term care for vulnerable persons which incentivize and promote the evidence-
43 based/optimal use of resources to optimize care quality, staff and resident safety, and resident
44 quality of life, and which hold vulnerable persons' interests as paramount over maximizing
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BOG Recommends for Adoption/Implementation as a Substitute Resolution

Resolution 1-S22. Encouraging Transparency of Medical Honor Society Selection Processes to Eliminate Racial Disparities in Membership Induction (RRC Referral Recommendation: Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion (DEI) Committee)

RESOLVED, that the Board of Regents encourage transparency from Alpha Omega Alpha related to data of inductees and the selection process across institutions to mitigate racial/ethnic, among other, disparities in selection of Alpha Omega Alpha members.

BOG Recommends for Adoption as a Reaffirmation

11-S22. Acknowledging Individual ACP Members for Their Commitment to the ACP

RESOLVED, that the Board of Regents create and distribute to individual members visible evidence of ACP’s appreciation to acknowledge members’ commitment to the ACP by way of the following:

- (1) Having Certificates of Appreciation sent to members upon reaching 10 years and 20 years of membership in the ACP
- (2) Having small Plaques of Appreciation sent to members upon reaching 25 years of membership (“gold level”), 35 years of membership (“platinum level”), and 45 years of membership in the ACP
- (3) Having a more elaborate Plaque of Appreciation sent to members upon reaching 50 years of membership (“diamond level”) in the ACP; and be it further

RESOLVED, that the Board of Regents distribute such Certificates of Appreciation and Plaques of Appreciation to current and future ACP members in good standing with their total years of membership counted retroactively as well as prospectively. Consecutive and nonconsecutive years of membership shall count towards the total years of membership.

BOG Resolutions extracted from the Consent Calendar:

Resolution 8-S22. Piloting a Well-being Submission Category for Medical Students, Resident/Fellows, and Early Career Physicians in ACP National Abstract Competitions (RRC Referral Recommendation: Executive Office)

RESOLVED, that the Board of Regents, along with other appropriate stakeholders, pilot well-being as a new category of research solicited for the ACP National Abstract Competition.

The Board of Regents extracted Resolution 8-S22 from the Consent Calendar to discuss. Following discussion, the Board of Regents approved Resolution 8-S22 as submitted to be referred to the Executive Office for implementation:

Resolution 5-S22. Acknowledging the Manner in which EHRs Alert and Messaging Functions Burden Physicians and Compromise Patient Safety

RESOLVED, that the Board of Regents acknowledge the manner in which current EHRs alert and messaging functions unduly burden physicians thereby compromising patient safety and reducing physicians’ well-being and satisfaction with their profession; and be it further

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93 RESOLVED, that the Board of Regents also engage relevant stakeholders in working to develop
94 recommendations to promote decreased burden from EHRs through reduction of low-value
95 alerts and messaging functions.

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97 The Board of Regents extracted Resolution 5-S22 to discuss. Following discussion, the Board of Regents
98 referred 5-S22 to Medical Informatics Committee for implementation with input from the Physician
99 Well-being and Professional Fulfillment Committee.

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101 ***Resolution 12-S22. Forming a National ACP International Medical Graduate Council***

102 RESOLVED, that the Board of Regents of the American College of Physicians shall form a
103 National ACP International Medical Graduate Council, towards the goal of furthering the
104 Excellence, Professionalism, Leadership, Compassion, Inclusion, Equity and Justice, and Well-
105 being of ACP membership; and be it further

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107 RESOLVED, that this National ACP International Medical Graduate Council serve as an educational
108 and advocacy council for this large body of our members to address their unique challenges,
109 promote equity in representation and compensation in all practice settings, as well as foster career
110 advancement.

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112 The Board of Regents extracted Resolution 12-S22 to discuss and approved referring to the
113 Governance Committee for study.

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115 Rationale:

116 The Board of Regents voted to refer Resolution 12-S22 to the Governance Committee for study rather
117 than adoption for implementation per the Board of Governors' recommendation. The Board's action is
118 intended to complement and correspond to the Board of Regents' previous action on April 25, 2022, to
119 accept the IMG Task Force Recommendation calling for the Executive Office to work with the
120 Governance Committee to consider forming an IMG Council. Further, this action is in accordance with
121 standard practice to refer formation of councils and committees to the Governance Committee for
122 study and recommendation to the Board of Regents.