

Members of the Board of Regents Take Action on BOG Resolutions at April 5th Meeting

A summary of Board of Regents (BOR) actions on Board of Governors (BOG) resolutions discussed at the April 5, 2025, BOR Organizational Meeting is available below. Resolutions initiated by ACP members and endorsed by a chapter council and the BOG become ACP policy when adopted by the BOR.

If you have an idea you would like to suggest to ACP, consider submitting a resolution to your Governor or local ACP chapter. Visit your [ACP chapter website](#) for more information on how to contact your Governor or chapter staff about proposing a resolution.

1 **Actions on BOG Resolutions, April 5, 2025, Board of Regents Organizational Meeting**

2 **Adopted and Referred for Implementation: (Lines 26-29)**

3 1-S25. Calling for Research and Advocacy Related to and Opposing Stand Your Ground Laws

4 **Adopted with Amendments for Implementation: (Lines 33-50)**

5 10-S23. Advocating Against Restrictive Clauses in Physician Employment Contracts

6 8-S24. Approaching Physician Suicide as a Problem Requiring Healthcare System Change

7 **Adopted as a Reaffirmation: (Lines 83-97)**

8 2-S24. Training the Physician Workforce on Battling Misinformation

9 **Not Adopted: (Lines 66-81; 99-116)**

10 19-S24. Applying Chapter Dues for Members, FACPs and MACPs Rejoining ACP

11 21-S24. Creating Policy to Guide the Selection of Future ACP Annual Scientific and BOG Meetings

12 **Tabled until July 2025 BOR Meeting: (Lines 55-64)**

13 7-S25. Waiving ACP IM Registration Fees for All Doctor's Dilemma Participants

14 The Board of Regents approved, as a Consent Calendar, the recommendations regarding the disposition
15 of each of the following resolutions recommended for adoption at the Spring 2025 Board of Governors
16 Meeting:

17 **BOG Recommended for Adoption/Implementation:**

18 **Resolution 1-S25. Calling for Research and Advocacy Related to and Opposing Stand Your Ground Laws**
19 *(RRC Referral Recommendation: Health and Public Policy Committee [HPPC])*

20 *RESOLVED, that the Board of Regents develop policy on Stand Your Ground laws and call for*
21 *additional research on the health consequences of these laws.*

22 **BOG Recommended for Adoption/Implementation with Amendments:**

23 **Resolution 10-S23. Advocating Against Restrictive Clauses in Physician Employment Contracts**
24 *(RRC Referral Recommendation: Medical Practice and Quality Committee [MPQC] with input from Ethics,*
25 *Professionalism, and Human Rights Committee [EPHRC])*

26 *RESOLVED, that Board of Regents policy oppose non-compete and financial damage clauses in*
27 *physician employment contracts (excepting reasonable individualized provisions, e.g., in*
28 *contracts with clinicians by smaller physician-led independent practices) and advocate in support*
29 *of legislation against such practices; and be it further*

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42 *RESOLVED, that the Board of Regents update resources for physicians so they can negotiate*
43 *employment contracts to eliminate such restrictive clauses.*

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45 **Resolution 8-S24. Approaching Physician Suicide as a Problem Requiring Healthcare System Change**
46 *(RRC Referral Recommendation: Professional Development and Fulfillment Committee [PDFC] with input*
47 *from EPHRC)*

48 *RESOLVED, that the Board of Regents advocate that physician suicide is a problem requiring*
49 *healthcare system and structural changes and advocate for and share information that*
50 *addresses physician suicide in research, training, and clinical practice.*

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53 **Board members extracted the following resolutions from the Consent Calendar for discussion:**

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55 **7-S25. Waiving ACP IM Registration Fees for All Doctor’s Dilemma Participants**
56 *The Board of Regents extracted Resolution 7-S25 from the Consent Calendar to discuss. Following the*
57 *discussion, The Board of Regents*
58 **VOTED:** *to table further action on Resolution 7-S25 until the July 2025 Board of Regents meeting.*

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60 Rationale: At the April 5, 2025 meeting, the Board of Regents (BOR) voted to table further action on
61 Resolution 7-S25 until the July 2025 Board of Regents meeting. The BOR noted concerns about the
62 financial impact of this resolution. The Board of Regents did not want to make a decision on this
63 resolution until the proposed budget has been approved for FY 2025-26, which will be considered at the
64 June 2025 BOR meeting.

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66 **19-S24. Applying Chapter Dues for Members, FACPs and MACPs Rejoining ACP**
67 *The Board of Regents extracted Resolution 19-S24 from the Consent Calendar to discuss. Following the*
68 *discussion, The Board of Regents*
69 **VOTED:** *to not adopt Resolution 19-S24.*

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71 Rationale: At the April 5, 2025 meeting, the Board of Regents (BOR) voted to not adopt Resolution 19-S24.
72 The BOR expressed concerns about financial impact and discussed changes already being made to the
73 dues structure including removal of proration, anniversary billing and the dues right pricing. The BOR felt
74 that the work done on the dues restructuring needs time for implementation to determine financial and
75 membership impact before additional changes to the dues structure are considered. The BOR recognized
76 the importance of dues revenue for chapters, assuring the chapters long-term financial stability and
77 sustainability and the need for financial support for programming for new member acquisitions. However,
78 the timing of this resolution is problematic given the uncertainty of the impact of the changes already
79 adopted and price sensitivity within the market. It was noted that chapter dues are being considered as
80 part of the Advance Chapter Alignment and Sustainability strategic priority and the intent of this
81 resolution will be considered during that work.

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83 **2-S24. Training the Physician Workforce on Battling Misinformation**
84 *The Board of Regents extracted Resolution 2-S24 from the Consent Calendar to discuss. Following the*
85 *discussion, The Board of Regents*
86 **VOTED:** *to approve Resolution 2-S24 for reaffirmation.*

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88 Rationale: At the April 5, 2025 meeting, the Board of Regents (BOR) voted to approve Resolution 2-S24 for
89 reaffirmation. The BOR recognizes the work on this resolution is ongoing and currently being supported,
90 as demonstrated by the Internal Medicine Meeting 2025 keynote speaker focusing on mis- and dis-

91 information, in addition to resources available to members. Review of the online testimony demonstrated
92 broad support for the work the College is doing and the disposition of reaffirmation for the resolution.
93 The BOR believes that ACP has demonstrated prioritization of this issue as well as leadership's
94 commitment to assure appropriate focus thereby rendering a larger investment than what is already
95 planned unnecessary. The BOR emphasized the need to assure the Governors and members are aware of
96 the depth and breadth of resources the College has available on this topic and to continue to seek
97 effective ways to disseminate.

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99 **21-S24. Creating Policy to Guide the Selection of Future ACP Annual Scientific and BOG Meetings**

100 *The Board of Regents extracted Resolution 21-S24 from the Consent Calendar to discuss. Following the*
101 *discussion, The Board of Regents*

102 **VOTED:** *to not adopt Resolution 21-S24.*

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104 Rationale: At the April 5, 2025 meeting, the Board of Regents (BOR) voted to not adopt Resolution 21-S24.
105 In the opinion of the BOR, there are several aspects of the resolution that are concerning: 1) it implies
106 that staff aren't currently identifying meeting locations consistent with ACP guidance and organizational
107 values; 2) given the size and nature of our meetings, there are limited options and the logistical
108 considerations for implementation of the resolution would add layers of complexity too difficult to
109 execute successfully; and 3) from a fiduciary perspective, implementation would be too costly.
110 Additionally, they noted that the legislative environment is always changing, making it difficult to predict
111 which locations would be appropriate at the time the meeting is actually held given the years in advance
112 necessary to secure meeting space. Further, since the College has members in every state the Board
113 agreed that it is important to advocate and support these members by being present. The Board of
114 Regents encouraged increased communication to the BOG and the membership regarding the care taken
115 in site selection, as well as the various approaches the College takes to support faculty and members
116 through virtual options, onsite security, etc.