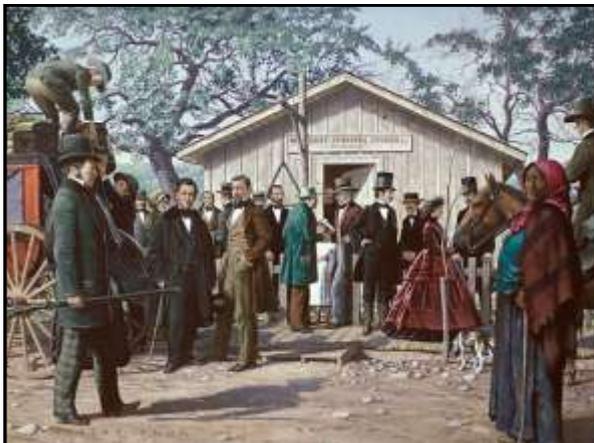




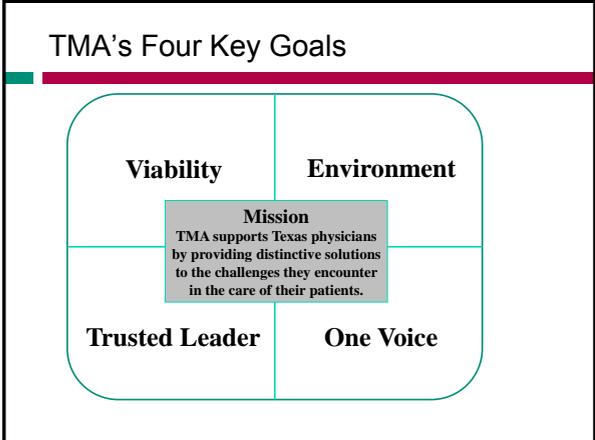
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TMA Vision and Mission

- **Vision:** To improve the health of all Texans.
- **Mission:** TMA supports Texas physicians by providing distinctive solutions to the challenges they encounter in the care of their patients.

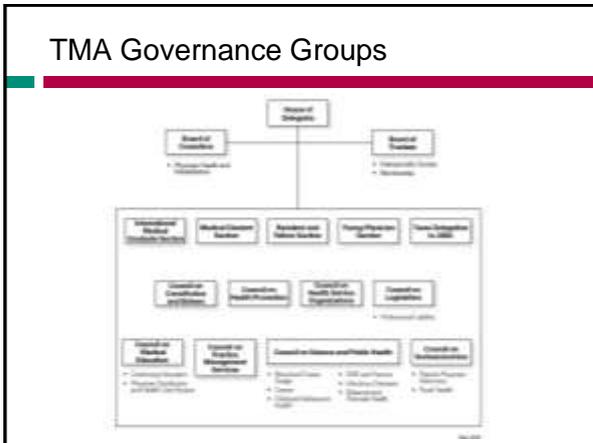




- ### TMA's Four Key Goals
- 1. Viability:** Protect, improve, and strengthen the viability of medical practices in Texas.
 - 2. Environment:** Ensure continued success in legislative, regulatory, and legal interventions to enhance the statewide environment in which Texas physicians practice medicine.
 - 3. Trusted Leader:** Strengthen physicians' trusted leadership role within their communities.
 - 4. One Voice:** Enhance the powerful, effective, and unified voice of Texas medicine.

- ### Strategic Planning Cycle
- **TMA strategic planning is aligned with the Texas legislative cycle:**
 - 2-year short-term goals (1 session)
 - 6-year long-term goals (3 sessions)





- ### Board of Councilors
- Composed of councilor and vice councilor from 15 districts
 - Interprets TMA's and CMS's constitutions and bylaws
 - Grants and revokes county medical society charters
 - Publishes and interprets *Hearings Procedures Manual* and decisions regarding questions of medical and biomedical ethics

Board of Trustees

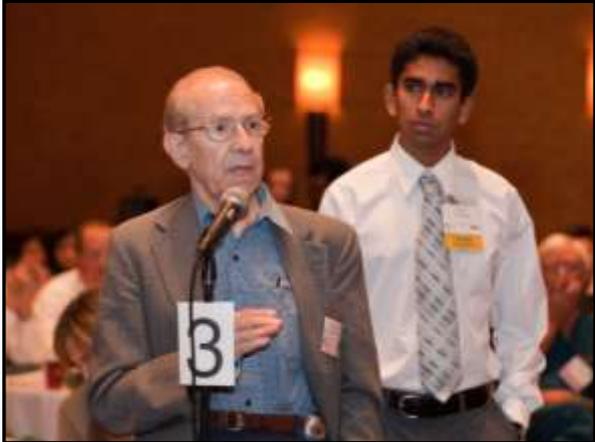
- Composed of nine at-large members elected by the HOD, one member from the MSS, one member from the RFS, and six voting ex officio members
- Sets strategic planning and program direction
- Manages TMA’s business and financial affairs
- Implements policies of the house
- Establishes interim policy between meetings of the house

TMA House of Delegates

- About 470 voting members
- Elected CMS delegates
 - 1 delegate for first 100 members (or less)
 - 1 delegate for each additional 100 (or fraction of)
- Voting ex officio members
 - Board of Trustees
 - 15 Councilors from the Board of Councilors
 - AMA Delegation (delegates and alternates)
 - Members of the Council on Legislation
 - Chairs of Councils
 - Delegates from sections: IMG, MSS, RFS, YPS
 - Specialty Society Delegates

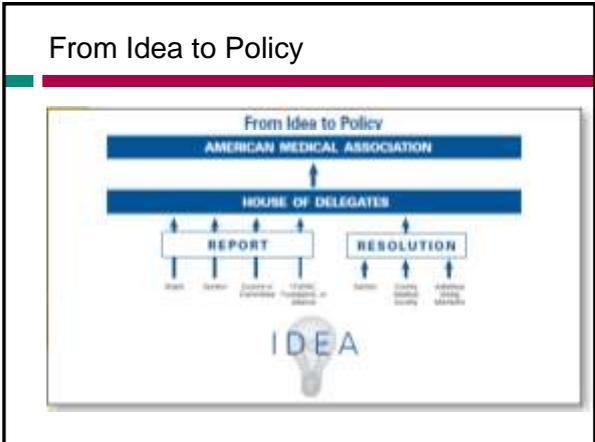
TMA House of Delegates

- Establishes policy for the association.
- Responsible for holding TMA leadership accountable for all aspects of association performance.
- Ensures that TMA remains a member-driven association and that we respect, encourage, and listen to the needs and opinions of our grassroots members.



Councils and Committees

- **Councils**
 - 9-15 members (3-year terms, 2-term limit)
 - Established or discharged by 2/3 vote of the house
- **Committees**
 - 9 or more members (3-year terms, 2-term limit)
 - Recommended by boards/councils to help them achieve their goals
 - Established by the house
 - Report to boards or councils
 - Undergo sunset review every three years



Handbook for Delegates

- The house meets at an annual session in April or May at TexMed.
- The location of the annual meeting rotates among Austin, Dallas, Houston, Fort Worth, and San Antonio.
- *Handbook for Delegates* is published several weeks before each session of the house to give CMSs and house members adequate time to provide grassroots input on the issues.

Handbook for Delegates

- The handbook includes
 - **Reports**, which originate from association boards, councils, sections, and committees; the TMA Alliance; TMA Foundation; and TEXPAC; and
 - **Resolutions**, which come from county medical societies, sections, and individual voting members.

TexMed 2010

Final registration for the conference is one of the many benefits of your TMA membership. Texas medical interns, residents, and fellows are welcome to attend at our guest. (Standard fee structure.)

Don't forget, the **TexMed 2010 Business Meet** this event position.

Quick Glance at Conference Activities

Business Meet	Fri., April 30, 10am - 11am
Concert	Friday, 7 am-2 pm & Saturday, 7 am-12:30 pm
Tex. Assoc. of Endocrinology	Fri., April 30, 8am - 11am





Sessions of the House: Saturday

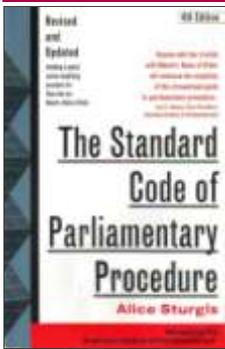
- On Saturday, CMS and section caucuses review reference committee reports, which contain a summary of each item, and a recommendation to adopt, refer, amend, or not adopt.
- At the start of each report, speakers place all items on the “consent calendar,” which assumes agreement with the reference committee recommendation.
- House members extract items they wish to debate.
- Elections for TMA officers and leadership positions also occur.



Reference Committee Report Amendments

- To present the amendment, the delegate goes to a microphone on the house floor, is recognized by the speaker, identifies himself or herself by name and county society, and offers the amendment.
- Words to be added are underlined; words to be deleted are marked through.
- Non-seated alternate delegates and vice councilors do not have the privilege of the floor.

Motions and Parliamentary Procedure



- Reference committee report may call for the house to adopt, adopt and refer, refer, amend, or not adopt.
- When a delegate offers an amendment, discussion is limited to that amendment until it is acted upon.
- House meetings are governed by Sturgis' *The Standard Code of Parliamentary Procedure*.

Writing a Resolution

- Delegates, county medical societies, sections, and individual voting members may submit resolutions for consideration by the house.
- Each resolution should be titled and a fiscal note included if the resolution calls for the expenditure of funds.
- Each resolution should site any relevant TMA policy, and if the resolution asks for AMA action, AMA policy also must be cited.

Report to Grassroots Membership

- Delegates report actions taken by the House of Delegates to their county societies.
- TMA staff mail a summary of actions to delegates the week after the meeting and it is posted on the TMA website at www.texmed.org.
- TMA leaders are available for any questions about process or procedure.



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