TExAS MEDICAL ASSOCIATION
2019 HOUSE OF DELEGATES ANNUAL SESSION

OPENING SESSION
Friday, May 17, 8 am, Hilton Anatole
(The speakers may take items out of order.)

1. Call to Order
   Susan M. Strate, MD, Speaker
   Arlo F. Weltge, MD, Vice Speaker

2. Invocation
   Phil H. Berry, MD, TMA Past President

3. Report of Reference Committee on Credentials
   Nefertiti C. Dupont, MD, Chair, Reference Committee on Credentials

4. Approval of May 18-19, 2018 Minutes
   Michelle A. Berger, MD, Secretary/Treasurer

5. Nominating Speeches
   President-Elect
   Trustees
   AMA Alternate Delegates

6. Distinguished Service Award (8:30 am)
   Introduced by John T. Carlo, MD

7. Address of Texas Medical Association Alliance President
   Mrs. Sunshine Moore, TMAA President

8. Address of Texas Medical Association President
   Douglas W. Curran, MD, TMA President

9. Section Awards
   Luis E. Seija, Chair, Medical Student Section

10. Recognition of TMA Past Presidents

11. Recognition of Outgoing Council and Committee Chairs

12. Acceptance of Handbook Items as Business of the House (see Order of Business)

13. Consideration of Late Reports and Resolutions

14. Announcements

15. Recess for Reference Committee Hearings
1. Call to Order  
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   Arlo F. Weltge, MD, Vice Speaker

2. Report of Reference Committee on Credentials  
   Nefertiti C. Dupont, MD, Chair, Reference Committee on Credentials

3. Board of Trustees, Annual Association Finances Report  
   Diana Fite, MD, Chair, Board of Trustees

4. Council on Legislation Update  
   Jason Terk, MD, Chair, Council on Legislation

5. Section Awards  
   Justin Bishop, MD, RFS Board of Trustees Member, Resident Fellow Section  
   Sejal S. Mehta, MD, Chair, International Medical Graduates Section  
   Gates Colbert, MD, Chair-Elect, Young Physician Section

6. Announcements

7. Moment of Silence for Deceased Physicians

8. Video Taped Presentation of TMA-Established Organizations  
   Texas Medical Liability Trust  
   Texas Medical Association Foundation  
   TEXPAC

9. Initial Extractions from Reference Committee Reports

10. Elections (9:30 am)

11. Installation of TMA and TMAA Presidents (10:45 am)

12. Call for Reference Committee Reports

13. Adjourn
TEXAS MEDICAL ASSOCIATION HOUSE OF DELEGATES
ORDER OF BUSINESS
2019 ANNUAL SESSION
May 17-18, 2019

Reference Committee Key:
Financial and Organizational Affairs = FOA
Medical Education and Health Care Quality = MEHCQ
Science and Public Health = SPH
Socioeconomics = SOCIO

REPORTS:

1. Report of President
   1. Nominations for Board of Governors, Texas Medical Liability Trust
   2. Improving the Quality Payment Program and Preserving Patient Access

2. Report of Speakers
   1. Wireless Handheld Voting/Election System

3. Reports of Board of Trustees
   1. TMA Leadership College
   2. Disclosure of Affiliations
   3. TMAIT, TMFHQL, and TMLT
   4. Pending Lawsuits Involving Texas Medical Association and Audit Trail
   5. Investments
   6. Audit of 2017 Financial Statements and 2018-19 Operating Budgets
   7. 2018-19 Board Officers and Committees
   8. Medical Student and Resident Physician Loan Funds
   9. Minority Scholarship Program
   10. Revision of Section 165.155(a) of the Texas Occupations Code, Res. 105-A-18
   11. TMA Education Center
   12. Celebration of Louis J. Goodman, PhD
   13. Compensation to Physicians for Authorizations and Preauthorizations, Res. 405-A-18
   14. Inactive County Medical Societies
   15. Sunset Policy Review

4. Report of Executive Vice President
   1. 2018-19 Update

5. Report of Interspecialty Society Committee
   1. Informational Update

6. Report of Committee on Membership
   1. Membership Development
   2. Women in Medicine Section

7. Reports of Board of Councilors
   1. Distinguished Service Award – Don R. Read, MD
   2. Opinions of the Board of Councilors
   3. County Medical Societies Constitution and Bylaws and Name Change
   4. Emeritus Nominations
   5. Honorary Nominations

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8. Reports of Committee on Physician Health and Wellness
   1. Policy Review and Amendment to Committee Charge
   2. Sunset Policy Review

9. Reports of Texas Delegation to the AMA
   1. AMA House of Delegates Meetings in 2018
   2. AMA Membership, Representation, and Delegation Leadership
   3. Texas Delegation Operating Procedure Changes

10. Report of International Medical Graduate Section
    1. International Medical Graduate Section Update

11. Report of Medical Student Section
    1. Medical Student Section Operating Procedures Update

12. Report of Resident and Fellow Section
    1. Resident and Fellow Section Update

13. Report of Young Physician Section
    1. Young Physician Section Update

14. Reports of Council on Constitution and Bylaws
    1. Inactive Specialty Societies

15. Reports of Council on Health Care Quality
    1. Council on Health Care Quality Update


17. Reports of Council on Health Service Organizations
    1. Supportive Palliative Care Policy
    2. Identification Bracelets for Patients With Hearing Loss, Resolution 312-A-18
    3. Sunset Policy Review


19. Reports of Council on Medical Education
    1. Sunset Policy Review
    2. Support of Expanded Eligibility for Inpatient Medicaid GME Funding to Teaching Hospitals
    3. Fixing the Inequity in Medicare GME Funding for Texas Teaching Hospitals Compared to Other States
    4. Study of Projected Need for More Medical Schools in Texas
    5. Medical Students in Natural Disaster/Emergency Situations and Related Liability Coverage, Resolution 108-A-18

20. Reports of Committee on Continuing Education
    1. TMA CME Program Update
    2. Sunset Policy Review
21. Reports of Committee on Physician Distribution and Health Care Access
   1. Improving Access to Care in Medically Underserved Areas through Project ECHO and the Child Psychiatry Access Project Model

22. Reports of Council on Practice Management Services
   1. Patient-Centered Medical Responsibilities, Resolution 101-A-18
   2. Improving Health Technology Products to Address the Issues of Sex and Gender
   3. Establish a Standing Committee on Health Information Technology

23. Reports of Council on Science and Public Health
   2. Support of Evidence-Based Medicine, Resolution 107-A-17
   3. Raising the Minimum Purchase Age for Guns, Resolution 313-A-18
   4. Early Childhood Adversity and Health
   5. Sunset Policy Review
   6. Task Force on Behavioral Health

24. Report of Committee on Cancer
   1. Sunset Policy Review

25. Reports of Committee on Child and Adolescent Health
   2. Sunset Policy Review

26. Report of Committee on Emergency Medical Services and Trauma
   1. EMS and Trauma Activities Update
   3. Sunset Policy Review

27. Report of Committee on Infectious Diseases
   1. Sunset Policy Review

28. Report of Committee on Reproductive, Women’s, and Perinatal Health (no report)

29. Reports of Council on Socioeconomics
   1. Health Plan Claim Auditing Programs
   2. Sunset Policy Review
   3. Gender Disparities in Physician Compensation
   4. Establishing the Standing Committee on Medicaid, CHIP, and the Uninsured

30. Report of Committee on Medical Home and Primary Care
   1. Medical Home and Primary Care Activities Update

31. Reports of Patient-Physician Advocacy Committee
   1. Patient-Physician Advocacy Update
   2. Sunset Policy Review

32. Report of Committee on Rural Health
   1. Expand Availability of Broadband Internet Access to Rural Texas
2. Rural Health Activities Update
3. Sunset Policy Review

33. Report of TEXPAC (no report)

34. Report of Texas Medical Association Insurance Trust
   1. Texas Medical Association Insurance Trust 2018 Annual Report

35. Report of Texas Medical Association Foundation
   1. TMF Health Quality Institute Annual Report

36. Report of Texas Medical Association Alliance
   1. TMA Alliance Activities and Accomplishments

37. Report of TMF Health Quality Institute
   1. TMF Health Quality Institute Annual Report

RESOLUTIONS:

101. Saturday-Sunday Meeting Schedule for the Texas Medical Association
     FOA
102. Written Testimony at TMA Reference Committees
     FOA
103. Gratitude for Continuing Medical Education Courses
     FOA
104. Alternate Delegates May Address the House of Delegates
     FOA
105. Pharmacies Practicing Medicine
     FOA
106. Establish a Coalition of Medical Societies to Protect Competition and Sustainability in the Health
     Insurance Marketplace
     FOA
107. Physician Dispensing of Prescriptions
     FOA
108. Initial Assessment and Treatment Recommendation by Specialists
     FOA
109. Licensure Status on TMA Membership Applications
     FOA
110. Blue Cross and Blue Shield of Texas Charitable Requirements as a Not-for-Profit Corporation
     FOA
111. Opposing Legislation that Mandates Physician Discrimination
     FOA
112. Equal Pay for Equal Work
     FOA
201. Alternative Maintenance of Certification (MOC) Pathways to Comply with Antitrust Rulings
     MEHCQ
202. Clarification of Physician Protection From Maintenance of Certification (MOC) in Facility Bylaws
     MEHCQ
203. Restrictions to Requirements of Maintenance of Certification
     MEHCQ
205. Eliminating Professional and Colloquial Use of the Term “Mental Retardation” by Physicians in a
     Clinical Setting
     MEHCQ
206. Considerations for Care of Individuals with Autism Spectrum Disorder (ASD)
     MEHCQ
207. Increasing Access to Service Learning Opportunities in Undergraduate Medical Education
     MEHCQ
208. Integration and Maintenance of Wellness Initiatives in Texas Undergraduate and Graduate Medical
     Education
     MEHCQ
209. Promoting Health Insurance and Health Policy Education Prior to Residency
     MEHCQ
210. Recommendation for Hemorrhage Control Training of Healthcare Professionals
     MEHCQ
211. The Integration of LGBTQ Health Topics into Medical Education
     MEHCQ
212. Improve Physician-Hospital Relations
     MEHCQ
213. Complying with Value-Based Care Quality Measures for Medication Adherence
     MEHCQ
301. Distribution and Display of Human Trafficking Aid Information in Public Places
     SPH
302. Statement on Personhood Measures
     SPH
303. Improving Medical Clearance Policies for Traumatic Brain Injury Patients
     SPH
304. Requirement for Food Allergy Posters and Employee Training in Food Establishments
     SPH
305. Allow the Possession and Administration of an Epinephrine Auto-injector in Certain Entities
     SPH
306. Opposition to Limiting the Physician’s Role in the End-of-Life Process
     SPH
307. Regulatory Recommendations for Bed Bugs  
308. Regulation of Electric Scooters  
309. Factoring Adolescent Sleep Patterns into Middle and High School Start Times  
310. Amending TMA Policy 315.031, Restricting the Sale of Electronic Cigarettes to Minors  
311. Identifying Trauma and Mental Health Susceptibilities in Schools  
312. Opposition to Increasing Work Requirements for the Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP)  
313. Physicians Counseling Patients About the Risks of Direct-to-Consumer Genetic Testing  
314. Support of Mandatory Paid Parental Leave  
315. Notification of Generic Drug Manufacturing Changes  
316. Determinants of Health  
401. Participation in Government Programs when Receiving Payment for Uncompensated Care  
402. Prescription Monitoring Program Integration Into Electronic Medical Records  
403. Prior Authorization Approval  
404. Medicare Part B Coverage of Vaccines  
405. Lower Drug Costs  
407. Compensation to Physicians for Activities Other Than Direct Patient Care  
408. Managing Patient-Physician Relations Within Medicare Advantage Plans  
409. Update Practice Expense Component of Relative Value Units  
410. Laboratory Benefit Managers  
411. Data Migration Responsibilities of Electronic Health Record Vendors in Client Contract Termination  
412. Medical Necessity Tax Exemption for Feminine Hygiene Products  
413. The Benefits of Importation of International Pharmaceutical Medications  
414. Studying Financial Barriers of Rural Hospitals  
415. Improving Buprenorphine Access for Opioid Substance Use Disorder Treatment  
416. Revising the Texas Department of Insurance Division of Workers’ Compensation Designated Doctor Training and Education Process