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**Resolution: B-3**

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SUBJECT:	Better Inclusion of Transgendered Medical Students in AMSA
TYPE:	Resolution of Principles

1 WHEREAS LGBT medical students are involved in AMSA.

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3 THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Principles Regarding Sexuality be  
4 AMENDED to ensure that all events at the national, regional and chapter level are  
5 accessible as follows:

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**Section XXIV. ~~Environmental Health~~ and AMSA-Sponsored Activities**

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8 **A. Environment Health:** To promote the highest quality of health for those attending  
9 AMSA events, AMSA-sponsored regional or national meetings and programs will adhere  
10 to the following guidelines:

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1. Use of any tobacco product is not allowed during any AMSA-sponsored regional or national meetings or local programs, within an environment under the temporary or permanent control of local or National AMSA. AMSA encourages local, regional and national event organizers to promote a smoke-free environment within areas not under AMSA control.

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2. Weapons of any kind are not permitted at AMSA events unless special permission has been given in advance by the Board of Trustees for a compelling reason or the individual is on duty as a law enforcement officer or active duty military personnel. Those possessing or carrying weapons without permission will not be permitted to attend future AMSA events or participate in AMSA leadership.

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3. If noxious or harmful exposures are noted at an AMSA event, event organizers are accountable for informing attendees and mitigating harm.

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- 25 4. AMSA will specifically request recycling and other energy conservation  
26 services when booking any commercial meeting sites and contractors.  
27 5. Recycling and energy conservation measures are required, when feasible, in all  
28 national AMSA properties and rentals.  
29 6. All AMSA leaders and staff should minimize the amount of paper and copying  
30 for all activities, meetings and programming. Alternatives such as digital  
31 documents, online forms, shared programs, and recyclable materials are strongly  
32 encouraged.

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34 **B. LGBT Inclusion: To ensure that all AMSA events are accessible to LGBT**  
35 **members, AMSA-sponsored local, regional and national meetings will adhere to the**  
36 **following guidelines:**

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38 **1. All paperwork and application material should include gender options**  
39 **beyond the male/female binary by either having a fill in space or including**  
40 **male, female, FTM (female-to-male), MTF (male-to-female), GQ (gender**  
41 **queer), intersex, and “prefer not to say” as options.**

42 **2. Because legal names and preferred names are not always synonymous,**  
43 **space should be included on all forms for preferred names.**

44 **3. Gender neutral bathrooms will be available either through ensuring that**  
45 **the space has single stall bathrooms or reassigning gendered bathrooms**  
46 **available in the event space.**

47 **4. Options for non-gender based room assignments will be available at**  
48 **national meetings.**