

**AMERICAN MEDICAL STUDENT ASSOCIATION
HOUSE OF DELEGATES 2017
RESOLUTION: B8**

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SCHOOL: Sanford School of Medicine at the University of South Dakota, Alabama College of Osteopathic Medicine, University of Mississippi

SUBJECT: Principles Regarding Professionalism and Professional Responsibility

TYPE: Resolution of Principles

1 WHEREAS AMSA desires up-to-date, succinct, and consistent Preamble, Purposes and
2 Principles (PPP).

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4 **THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED** that the respective section of the Principles Regarding
5 Professionalism and Professional Responsibility (p.37-38) be AMENDED BY DELETION AND
6 ADDITION to state:

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8 The American Medical Student Association:

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11 19. URGES members to use only licensed software on ~~handheld computers or personal digital~~
12 ~~assistants (PDAs)~~ **electronic devices** and ENCOURAGES further collaboration with the software
13 industry to develop cost-effective solutions.

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17 FISCAL NOTE: None

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19 **REPORT OF REFERENCE COMMITTEE B**

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21 **DISCUSSION**

22 **BOT:** Adopt as amended: URGES health care providers to use only software that has been
23 vetted and approved by their institution on the electronic devices they use for patient care.

24 **BRD:** Adopt as written

25 **PRD:** Adopt as written

26 **IRD:** Adopt as written.

27 **ACTE:** Adopt as written.

International Caucus: None.

Premedical Caucus: None.

Resident Caucus: None.

Other Groups: None.

Other Discussion: None.

SYNTHESIS OF DISCUSSION

Pro: Electronic devices and software used in a healthcare setting should be vetted as to avoid HIPPA violation and uphold patient health care privacy

Con: No opposition.

REFERENCE COMMITTEE COMMENTS

Agrees with BOT that electronic devices and software used in a clinical setting should be vetted to avoid HIPPA violation and uphold patient health care privacy.

REFERENCE COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION

Adopt as amended:

~~19. URGES members to use only licensed software on handheld computers or personal digital assistants (PDAs) **electronic devices** and ENCOURAGES further collaboration with the software industry to develop cost-effective solutions.~~

19. URGES health care providers to use only software that has been vetted and approved by their institution on the electronic devices they use for patient care.