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AMERICAN MEDICAL STUDENT ASSOCIATION HOUSE OF DELEGATES 2016 RESOLUTION: C6

INTRODUCED BY:	Corey Hoch, Chair - Gender & Sex Committee
SCHOOL:	University of Florida
SUBJECT:	Amendment to Principles Regarding Gender Identity
TYPE:	Resolution of Principles

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WHEREAS AMSA opposes the use of reparative therapy in efforts to alter a patient sexual orientation to heterosexual (p. 119); and

WHEREAS reparative therapy can also be used on transgender patients

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Principles Regarding Gender Identity (p. 147) be AMENDED BY ADDITION to state:

- 1. In regard of treatment of transgender patients:
- i. OPPOSES the use of reparative therapy aiming to convince transgender patients to accept their assigned gender at birth.

Fiscal note: None

REPORT OF REFERENCE COMMITTEE C

DISCUSSION

BOT: Voted to adopt as written by unanimous consent

BRD: Voted to ***
PRD: Voted to ***

IRD: Voted to adopt as written
ACTE: Voted to adopt as written
Premedical Caucus: Voted to ***

Lakshmi, Rush Medical School, MS1, speaking on behalf of herself

The wording of this resolution could be more inclusive of harmful therapies and gender identities Reparative and conversion are sometimes used interchangeably but they are different. Both are wrong and aiming to convince transgender and/or gender non-conforming people that they are the sex that was ascribed to them at birth.

Line 15 replace gender at birth with sex at birth

SUMMARY OF DISCUSSION

PROS: *** (i.e. The proposition testimony argued... No proposition testimony provided; etc)

CONS: *** (i.e. The opposition testimony argued... No opposition testimony provided; etc)

REFERENCE COMMITTEE COMMENTS

While BOT, IRD and ACTE support the resolution as written, an AMSA member from Chicago provided a more inclusive resolution which we believe to enhance the intent of the resolution.

REFERENCE COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION

Adopt as amended.

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