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**AMERICAN MEDICAL STUDENT ASSOCIATION  
HOUSE OF DELEGATES 2016  
RESOLUTION: C7**

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SUBJECT:	Principles Regarding Immigrant Health
TYPE:	Resolution of Principles

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1 WHEREAS the current language within the Preamble, Purposes, Principles (PPP) is outdated.

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3 **THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED** that the Principles Regarding Immigrant Health (p.156-157) be AMENDED BY  
4 ADDITION AND SUBSTITUTION to state:

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6 1. AFFIRMS that health care is a human right, regardless of race, class, gender, sexual orientation, disability, primary  
7 language, place of birth or immigration status **and further -**  
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9 2. OPPOSES any local, state or federal measures that restrict access to health care to any individual based on ~~primary~~  
10 ~~language, place of birth or immigration status~~ **the above mentioned or any other basis that would otherwise constitute**  
11 **invidious discrimination and compromise the principle of social justice.**  
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13 3. In regard to access:  
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15 ...  
16 d. SUPPORTS an individual's right, regardless of immigration status, to services that include provisions for:  
17 i. emergency care and treatment;  
18 ii. pregnancy-related services, including but not limited to, family planning, prenatal care,  
19 labor and delivery;  
20 iii. preventive services: **such as** immunizations, infectious disease screening and  
21 treatment, especially for tuberculosis, sexually transmitted diseases, including  
22 voluntary and anonymous HIV testing, breast exams, pap smears.  
23 iv. primary care, **comprehensive mental health and dental care services**, and access to a  
24 medical home;  
25 v. necessary medication;  
26 ~~vi. comprehensive mental health services;~~  
27 ~~vii. comprehensive dental care services.~~  
28 viii. organ donations (2012)  
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31 Fiscal note: None  
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**BOT:** Voted to adopt as written

**BRD:** Voted to \*\*\*

**PRD:** Voted to \*\*\*

**IRD:** Voted to adopt as written

**ACTE:** Voted to adopt as amended

Strike line 7 “and further” and replace line 10 the above mentioned with race, class, gender, sexual orientation, disability

**Premedical Caucus:** Voted to \*\*\*

Lakshmi, Rush medical center, herself

Supported the resolution except for wanting to amend clause D to amend to emphasize trauma and rehabilitation in mental health services.

### **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**

This resolution has wide support. ACTE edits proposed do not change resolution significantly. AMSA member from Chicago highlighted the special needs within mental health care but this is clearly falls within the umbrella of mental health services so we will not further clarify.

### **REFERENCE COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION**

Adopt as written.