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|                | Principles Regarding Advocacy and HIV preventionHIV Prevention and Mandatory Testing                              |
| ТҮРЕ:          | Resolution of Principles  |

WHEREAS we have developed robust and reliable testing for HIV since 1988 and

WHEREAS many methods for HIV prevention are currently recognized by the medical community including safe-sex practices, harm reduction practices, and immediate treatment upon diagnosis

**THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED** that the Principles Regarding Human Immunodeficiency Virus (HIV) and HIV-Related Illnesses (p.106-111) be AMENDED BY STRIKE AND REPLACE to state:

4. In regard to HIV testing:

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 AMSA RECOGNIZES the uncertain meaning of a positive anti-HIV antibody status, and the stigma attached to anti-HIV antibody seropositivity, that many methods for HIV prevention are currently recognized by the medical community including safe-sex practices, harm reduction practices, and immediate treatment upon diagnosis and that mandatory testing is not a viable public health strategy for preventing HIV transmission; (1988)

Fiscal note: None