
**AMERICAN MEDICAL STUDENT ASSOCIATION
HOUSE OF DELEGATES 2016
RESOLUTION: A7**

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SUBJECT:	Principles Regarding HIV/TB Co-infection
TYPE:	Resolution of Principles

1 WHEREAS the World Health Organization (WHO) recognizes TB as the number one killer of people living with HIV [1]
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4 WHEREAS the WHO and the United States government have outlined plans to significantly decrease incidence and
5 prevalence of TB by 2035 [2]
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7 **THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED** that the Principles Regarding Human Immunodeficiency Virus (HIV) and HIV-
8 Related Illnesses (p.106-111) be AMENDED by ADDITION to include:
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10 **17. AMSA URGES** the United States government to fund TB initiatives, including those specifically targeting
11 people co-infected with HIV, including treatment delivery and diagnostics programs through USAID and
12 PEPFAR and vaccine and drug research through the NIH and CDC, at levels adequate to end the worldwide
13 TB epidemic by 2035
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15 Fiscal note: None
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REPORT OF REFERENCE COMMITTEE A

DISCUSSION

BOT: recommends to adopt as written—unanimous consent.

BRD: : recommends to adopt as written—unanimous consent

PRD: ***

IRD: recommends to adopt as written—unanimous consent.

ACTE: recommends to adopt with amendments: these members feel that naming organizations was unnecessarily specific and that using terms such as “targeting” was too strong of a term to use in this context. These members feel the resolution should be more appropriately worded.

Premedical Caucus: ***

SUMMARY OF DISCUSSION

PROS: No proposition testimony provided

[1] <http://www.who.int/mediacentre/factsheets/fs104/en/>

[2] http://www.who.int/tb/post2015_strategy/en/

CONS: Some of the members felt that the resolution should not limit itself to only these four organizations; additionally it was felt that better wording could be used.

REFERENCE COMMITTEE COMMENTS

Although the majority of caucuses and regions were in agreement of the resolution as is, some members brought up valid points concerning the language in this resolution.

Although some members expressed concern of naming and limiting this resolution to specific organizations, the Reference Committee feels that by naming organizations this resolution provides specific examples of initiatives that can be taken. Furthermore, the Reference Committee feels that this wording should be clarified to avoid any perceived limitations.

REFERENCE COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION

17. AMSA URGES the United States government to fund ~~TB~~ initiatives to decrease the TB epidemic, including those specifically ~~targeting~~ focusing on people co-infected with HIV, including, but not limited to, treatment delivery and diagnostics programs through USAID and PEPFAR and vaccine and drug research through the NIH and CDC, at levels adequate to ~~end~~ significantly decrease the worldwide TB epidemic by 2035

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