

RESOLUTION 01.2020-38 (A-20)
STUDENT LOAN FORGIVENESS

ISMS Board Action Taken on 01/25/2020

Adopted Substitute Resolution 01.2020-38 (A-20), as recommended by the Council on Education & Health Workforce.

Council on Education & Health Workforce Recommendation to
ISMS Board on 01/25/2020

The Council had previously discussed issues of medical student debt loads and the failure of the Public Service Loan Forgiveness Program to bring relief to eligible medical students, and agreed that because it is a federal program affecting millions of borrowers nationwide, the AMA should take a leadership role in advocating for improvements to the program.

The Council on Education & Health Workforce recommends that the ISMS Board of Trustees adopt Substitute Resolution 01.2020-38 (A-20) in lieu of Resolution 01.2020-38 (A-20), as follows:

RESOLVED, that the Illinois State Medical Society introduce a resolution to the American Medical Association House of Delegates asking the AMA to study the cause for the unacceptably high denial rate of applications made to the Public Service Student Loan Forgiveness Program, and advocate for improvements in the administration and oversight of the Program, including but not limited to increasing transparency of and streamlining program requirements, ensuring consistent and accurate communication between loan servicers and borrowers, and establishing clear expectations regarding oversight and accountability of the loan servicer responsible for the program.