

**RESOLUTION 09.2020-11 (A-21)
ADVOCATING AGAINST NON-PHYSICIAN PRACTITIONERS
ORDERING AND INTERPRETING DIAGNOSTIC IMAGING
INDEPENDENT OF A COLLABORATIVE RELATIONSHIP
WITH A PHYSICIAN LICENSED IN ILLINOIS**

ISMS Board Action Taken on 10/24/2020

Adopted Substitute Resolution 09.2020-11 (A-21) in lieu of Resolution 09.2020-11 (A-21), as recommended by the Council of Education & Health Workforce (with title change).

Council on Education & Health Workforce Recommendation to ISMS Board on
10/24/2020

The Council agreed that ISMS must continue to advocate strongly against inappropriate scope of practice expansions by non-physicians. The Council noted that scope of practice challenges are not limited to nurse practitioners, and suggested expanding the resolution to refer more generally to “non-physician practitioners.” The Council discussed whether it was appropriate for non-physicians to order (but not interpret) diagnostic tests without physician supervision, but determined that maintaining the physician supervision requirement for both types of services (which reflects current Illinois law) would reinforce the need for physician oversight, while also allowing physicians flexibility to authorize other members of their health care team to provide services as appropriate.

The Council on Education & Health Workforce recommends that the ISMS Board of Trustees adopt Substitute Resolution 09.2020-11 (A-21) in lieu of Resolution 09.2020-11 (A-21) with title change as follows:

Title Change: Advocating Against ~~Nurse~~ Non-Physician Practitioners Ordering and Interpreting Diagnostic Imaging Independent of a Collaborative Relationship with a Physician Licensed in Illinois

RESOLVED, that ISMS oppose efforts to allow nurse practitioners, physician assistants, and other non-physician practitioners to order or interpret diagnostic imaging studies independent of a collaborative relationship with a physician licensed in Illinois.