

**RESOLUTION 12.2020-28 (A-21)
ADVOCATING FOR THE UTILIZATION OF HEALTH CARE
PROFESSIONALS TO SERVE AS FIRST RESPONDERS FOR 911 MENTAL
HEALTH EMERGENCY CALLS**

ISMS Board Action Taken on 04/23/2021

Adopted Substitute Resolution 12.2020-28 (A-21) in lieu of Resolution 12.2020-28 (A-21), as recommended by the Council on Medical Service (with title change).

Council on Medical Service Recommendation to ISMS Board on 04/23/2021

The Council believed that more clarity was needed on ISMS' role in supporting efforts to increase utilization of health care professionals as first responders to 911 mental health emergency calls, as well as on how these efforts would be implemented. The Council therefore asked that that the authors revise the resolution.

The revised resolution includes a title change and the elimination of all but one resolved clause. The original resolution called for ISMS to "support efforts to increase primary deployment of health care workers and mental health professionals for nonviolent mental health related 911 calls," while the revised resolution calls for ISMS to "support efforts to increase the use of co-response (police and mental health worker) teams for non-violent mental health-related 911 calls." The Council believes that the authors addressed their concerns with the revised version of their resolution, but that the resolved included in the original resolution directing ISMS to propose a resolution to the AMA should be retained.

The Council on Medical Service recommends that the ISMS Board of Trustees adopt Substitute Resolution 12.2020-28 (A-21) in lieu of Resolution 12.2020-28 (A-21), with a change of title:

Title Change: Advocating for the Utilization of ~~Health Care Professionals to Serve as First Responders~~ Police and Mental Health Worker Co-Response Teams for 911 Mental Health Emergency Calls

RESOLVED, that ISMS support efforts to increase the use of co-response (police and mental health worker) teams for non-violent mental health-related 911 calls; and be it further

RESOLVED, that the ISMS delegation to the AMA submit a resolution requesting that the AMA support efforts to increase the use of co-response (police and mental health worker) teams for non-violent mental health-related 911 calls.