

RESOLUTION 05.2022-03 (A-23)
ENCOURAGING MEDICAL SCHOOLS TO SPONSOR PIPELINE
PROGRAMS TO MEDICINE FOR UNDERREPRESENTED GROUPS

ISMS Board Action Taken on 06/25/2022

Adopted Resolution 05.2022-03 (A-23), as amended by the Council on Education & Health Workforce.

Council on Education & Health Workforce Recommendation to ISMS Board on
06/25/2022

Two of the authors of the resolution, Ms. Morinola Shobajo and Ms. Rasa Valiauga, were available for explanation and comment on the resolution and to address any questions. Ms. Valiauga stated that the purpose of the resolution is to encourage students to commit to medicine early on in their education by providing early exposure to the field of medicine, thereby helping to ensure academic success. Ms. Shobajo further explained that the creation of a pipeline program would benefit underrepresented minority students through early exposure to opportunities in the field of medicine.

The Council supported the goals of the resolution, and focused discussion primarily on the importance of outreach and the creation of pipeline programs to encourage students, particularly those underrepresented in medicine. The Council recommended amending the resolution.

The Council on Education & Health Workforce recommends that the ISMS Board of Trustees adopt Resolution 05.2022-03 (A-23), as amended:

RESOLVED, that our ISMS urge Illinois medical schools to develop or ~~support~~ expand the reach of existing pipeline programs for underrepresented middle school, high school and college aged students to motivate them to pursue and prepare them for a career in medicine; and be it further

RESOLVED, that our ISMS encourage collegiate programs to establish criteria by which completion of such programs will secure an interview for ~~or~~ admission to the sponsoring medical school; and be it further

RESOLVED, that our ISMS recommend that medical school pipeline programs for underrepresented students be free-of-charge or provide financial support with need-based scholarships and grants; and be it further

39 RESOLVED, that our ISMS encourage all physicians to actively participate in
40 programs and mentorship opportunities that help expose underrepresented students to
41 potential careers in medicine; and be it further

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43 RESOLVED, that our ISMS delegation to the American Medical Association
44 forward this resolution to the AMA.