

ILLINOIS STATE MEDICAL SOCIETY

**Resolution 12.2022-27
(A-23)**

Introduced by: Karen Pierce, MD, ISMS Member

Subject: Eliminate ISMS Policy 200463

Referred to: Council on Medical Service

1 Whereas, in 2008, the Illinois State Medical Society (ISMS) adopted policy
2 200463 which states, “ISMS does not support a state mandate of Human Papillomavirus
3 Vaccine (HPV) vaccinations as a condition for attending school and supports the use
4 and administration of HPV vaccine as recommended by the CDC's Advisory Committee
5 on Immunization Practices;” and

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7 Whereas, in 2019, the ISMS adopted Resolution 02.2019-36 (A-19), Prevention
8 of Human Papillomavirus (HPV) Associated Cancers by Improving Vaccination
9 Coverage Levels in Illinois, which reads “that ISMS support or cause to be introduced
10 legislation and/or regulatory change to add HPV vaccination to the Illinois School
11 Immunization Requirements, aligned with Centers for Disease Control and Prevention
12 (CDC) recommendation for HPV vaccination at 11-12 years of age for females and
13 males;” and

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15 Whereas, HPV is the most common sexually transmitted infection in the U.S. and
16 certain forms of HPV can cause cancer, including vaginal cancer, cervical cancer, penile
17 cancer and anal cancer; and

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19 Whereas, numerous clinical trials and post-licensure monitoring data
20 demonstrate that HPV vaccines are not only critical as preventive care measures, but are
21 also safe; and

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23 Whereas, while opponents charge that the HPV vaccines put minors at risk by
24 encouraging sexual activity, recent studies show that there is no connection between
25 receipt of the vaccine and sexual behavior; and

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27 Whereas, since HPV vaccination was first recommended in 2006, infections with
28 HPV types that cause most HPV cancers and genital warts have dropped 88% among
29 teen girls and 81% among young adult women; therefore, be it

30 RESOLVED, that the Illinois State Medical Society (ISMS) rescind
31 Policy 200463, adopted in 2008; and be it further

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33 RESOLVED, that the ISMS support the inclusion of HPV vaccine, as
34 recommended by the Centers for Disease Control’s Advisory Committee on
35 Immunization Practices, in the Illinois Department of Public Health’s “Minimum
36 Immunization Requirements Entering a Child Care Facility or School in Illinois.”

Fiscal Note:

None

Existing ISMS policy related to this issue:

The Illinois State Medical Society advocates increased HPV vaccination coverage rates in rural counties in the State of Illinois. (2021 Annual Meeting; BOT 2020-OCT; Last BOT Review 2020)

Board of Trustees approved the ISMS legislative agenda for 2020 to include the introduction of legislation in the following areas: • That topical antibiotic, anti-inflammatory, dilation, and glaucoma drops or ointments used in the operating room or emergency department be provided on discharge to a patient. • Prohibiting ACOs from mandating the use of a specific electronic medical records system. • Mandating that upon entering the sixth grade, children complete the immunization for HPV. • Comprehensive legislation to streamline onerous prior authorization requirements, including the unnecessary delays in care that prior authorization requirements lead to, along with physician burnout and frustration. In addition, there is the need to require an appropriate peer-to-peer review process and the establishment of financial penalties for insurance companies. (BOT - JAN 2020)

Board of Trustees adopted Resolution 09.2020-10 (A-21), as amended: RESOLVED, that our ISMS advocate for increased HPV vaccination coverage rates in rural counties in the State of Illinois; and be it further RESOLVED, that the Illinois Delegation to the AMA draft a resolution directing the AMA to advocate for increased HPV vaccination access and education in rural communities. (BOT - OCT 2020)

ISMS affirmed the Board’s adoption of Resolution 02.2019-36 (A-19), Prevention of Human Papillomavirus (HPV) – Associated Cancers by Improving Vaccination Coverage Levels in Illinois, which states: RESOLVED, that the ISMS support or cause to be introduced legislation and/or regulatory change to add HPV vaccination to the Illinois School Immunization Requirements, aligned with Centers for Disease Control

and Prevention (CDC) recommendation for HPV vaccination at 11-12 years of age for females and males. (2019 Annual Meeting)

ISMS does not support a state mandate of Human Papillomavirus Vaccine (HPV) vaccinations as a condition for attending school and supports the use and administration of HPV vaccine as recommended by the CDC's Advisory Committee on Immunization Practices. (HOD 2008; Last BOT Review 2014)