

**(Board Action Affirmed; 2023 Annual Meeting)
Board Did Not Adopt Resolution
(October 2022)**

ILLINOIS STATE MEDICAL SOCIETY

**Resolution 09.2022-15
(A-23)**

Introduced by: Cecily Negri and Connor Cole, ISMS Members

Subject: Supporting the Mental Health of Medical Students

Referred to: Council on Education & Health Workforce

RESOLVED, that our ISMS create policy supporting medical student access to affordable physician-led mental health services without student insurance coverage limitation on number of visits; and be it further

RESOLVED, that our Illinois delegation to the AMA draft an amendment to AMA Policy H-295.858 (Access to Confidential Health Services for Medical Students and Physicians) to add that the number or times the medical student or physician is seen in a mental health service appointment should not be the sole criterion of the necessity or adequacy of psychiatric care; and be it further

RESOLVED, that our ISMS create policy supporting development and maintenance of medical school- and/or medical student-driven wellness programs which may emphasize routes to address burnout in the education process, developing support networks between students and faculty, discussions on purpose in medicine, and sharing evidence-based and anecdotal methods for student success and wellbeing.