

**September 12, 2020**

**Utah Medical Association House of Delegates passes the following resolution titled: Non-discrimination Against Osteopathic Physicians and Osteopathic Medical Students**

Whereas, osteopathic physicians are licensed to practice the full scope of medicine and surgery in all states, territories, and military services of the United States of America; and

Whereas, the American Council of Graduate Medical Education has transitioned to the single accreditation system, which no longer restricts or discriminates against osteopathic medical trainees for any of its graduate medical education programs; and

Whereas, the Utah Department of Commerce, Division of Occupational and Professional Licensing grants equivalent licensure and practice rights to physicians with the degree of D.O. or M.D.; and

Whereas, osteopathic physicians are granted full medical staff privileges in all hospital systems in the state of Utah; and

Whereas, the Utah Medical Association (UMA) extends equivalent membership privileges to osteopathic physicians and osteopathic medical students in their respective membership categories; and

Whereas, the American Medical Association's adopted policy<sup>1</sup> states, "Our AMA, in collaboration with the American Osteopathic Association, discourages discrimination against medical students by institutions and programs based on osteopathic or allopathic training."; and

Whereas, the state of Utah has at least one college of osteopathic medicine in the state; and

Whereas, the House of Delegates of the Utah Medical Association is composed of delegates that include osteopathic physicians and osteopathic medical students; therefore, be it

RESOLVED, that the UMA denounce discriminatory acts or behavior against physicians or medical students solely based on osteopathic or allopathic training, and be it further

RESOLVED, that the UMA adopt a non-discrimination position statement or policy that denounces discrimination, harassment, or retaliation against any physician or medical student based solely on their osteopathic or allopathic training.

References:

1. AMA Policy H-295.876 Equal Fees for Osteopathic and Allopathic Medical Students (available at [https://policysearch.ama-assn.org/policyfinder/detail/Equal\\_Fees\\_for\\_Osteopathic\\_and\\_Allopathic\\_Medical\\_Students\\_H-295.876?uri=/AMADoc/HOD.xml-0-2175.xml](https://policysearch.ama-assn.org/policyfinder/detail/Equal_Fees_for_Osteopathic_and_Allopathic_Medical_Students_H-295.876?uri=/AMADoc/HOD.xml-0-2175.xml))