



HOUSE OF DELEGATES ANNUAL MEETING

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RESOLUTION 101(23)

SUBJECT: RELIEVING PRESCRIPTION REFILL BURDEN

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SPONSORED BY: ADA COUNTY MEDICAL SOCIETY

1 WHEREAS, Physician burnout is exacerbated by unnecessary
2 administrative tasks; and
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4 WHEREAS, Retail pharmacies frequently send duplicate prescription refill
5 requests, which is burdensome and time-consuming
6 for providers; and
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8 WHEREAS, Refilling duplicate prescription requests takes provider and
9 staff time, and is an unnecessary expense; and
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11 WHEREAS, Primary care providers who have patients on multiple
12 medications can spend several hours per week refilling
13 prescriptions, many of which are duplicates; therefore be it
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15 RESOLVED, Idaho Medical Association will work with the Idaho State
16 Pharmacy Association to encourage pharmacies to

1 discontinue the practice of sending prescription refill
2 requests to providers when a refill is already on file.

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4 EXISTING IMA POLICY: IMA will work with the Idaho State Board of
5 Pharmacy to add language to IDAPA 27.01.01.117 to include: “A
6 prescription drug order expires as specified by the prescriber or fifteen
7 (15) months after the prescription was originally issued, whichever
8 occurs first.” (HOD 2015)

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10 IMA FISCAL NOTE: \$
11 STATE OF IDAHO FISCAL NOTE: N/A
12 IMA RESOURCE ALLOCATION: LOW
13 DEGREE OF DIFFICULTY: MODERATE