

NEW YORK STATE PODIATRIC MEDICAL ASSOCIATION
120th ANNUAL HOUSE OF DELEGATES
June 3-5, 2016 The Otesaga Resort Hotel, Cooperstown, NY

Subject: Public and Population Health Advocacy Support Fund

Category: Program

Submitted by: The NYSPMA Board of Trustees and Division Presidents

WHEREAS, Significant healthcare reform is ongoing in New York State and will require additional funding for advocacy efforts to ensure podiatry's viability in the new health care reimbursement models;

WHEREAS, NYSPMA has initiated a new task force to address public and population health issues which will require ongoing funding;

WHEREAS, NYSPMA advocacy efforts would be enhanced by a deeper commitment and financial investment in patient advocacy groups.

WHEREAS, One of the original rationales for joining OPEIU was to provide podiatrists with increased power to negotiate with managed-care organizations;

WHEREAS, Collective bargaining among healthcare providers is illegal in New York, there still remains a need for a formalized plan to represent podiatric interests;

WHEREAS, The 2016 NYSPMA House of Delegates has voted not to extend the OPEIU dues assessment for the 2016-2017 fiscal year; that was financed by \$150 special assessment.

RESOLVED, NYSPMA develop a public and population health advocacy support fund in support of full inclusion and integration of podiatric services in the New York healthcare delivery system, and;

RESOLVED, The support fund be financed by a Type B special purpose assessment of \$150 per member to be approved by the 2016 House of Delegates, effective for the 2016-2017 fiscal year.

Resolutions Committee Recommendation: accept; defeat; withdraw

AMEND:

House of Delegates Action: **adopt;** defeat; with
