

RES 6 C-4/16

Consideration of Allopathic Physicians for American College of SUBJECT: Osteopathic Family Physicians (ACOFP) Membership **ACOFP Board of Governors** SUBMITTED BY: 2016 American College of Osteopathic Family Physicians (ACOFP) REFERRED TO: **Congress of Delegates** RESOLUTION NO. 6 WHEREAS, on July 1, 2015, the Accreditation Council for Graduate Medical Education (ACGME) began accepting applications for accreditation of American Osteopathic Association (AOA) accredited post-graduate medical education programs, and WHEREAS, only Doctors of Osteopathy (DOs) are eligible to participate in AOA post-graduate medical education programs, and WHEREAS, as part of this new Single Accreditation System, post-graduate medical education programs may choose to become designated as Osteopathic Recognized (OR) programs, and WHEREAS, once accredited by the ACGME, former AOA accredited post-graduate medical education programs will be open to both DOs and allopathic physicians, and WHEREAS, allopathic physicians who choose to participate in Osteopathic Recognized postgraduate medical education programs have expressed their interest and belief in osteopathic principles and practices, and WHEREAS, the American College of Osteopathic Family Physicians (ACOFP) is a membership organization representing the interests of osteopathic family physicians (MDs), and WHEREAS, Active Member status in the ACOFP is currently limited to DOs and students enrolled in Commission on Osteopathic College Accreditation (COCA)-approved colleges of osteopathic medicine, and WHEREAS, allopathic physicians trained in Osteopathic Recognized post-graduate medical education programs may wish to support the objectives and goals of the ACOFP; now, therefore be it RESOLVED, that the Congress of Delegates of the American College of Osteopathic Family Physicians (ACOFP) directs the ACOFP Board of Governors to propose changes to the ACOFP Constitution and Bylaws necessary to allow allopathic physicians (MDs) to become Active Members of the ACOFP, and be it further

RESOLVED, that these proposed Constitution and Bylaws changes shall be presented to the

ACTION

2017 ACOFP Congress of Delegates for consideration.

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