**OHIO STATE MEDICAL ASSOCIATION HOUSE OF DELEGATES**

**Resolution No. 23 – 2020**

**Introduced by:** OSMA District Two

**Subject:** Government Pay for Government Mandates

**Referred to:** Resolutions Committee No. 2

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**WHEREAS**, Beginning in 2020, Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS) will be demanding that “providers” utilize approved “technology” using practice guidelines when ordering imaging studies; and

**WHEREAS**, Such guidelines represent an unfunded mandate for physicians already struggling with massive governmental regulatory burden and underpayment; and

**WHEREAS**, These technologies or “Augmented Intelligence,” are limited in their ability to apply clinical context, thus limiting a physician’s ability to order appropriate testing under unique circumstances and stagnating their work-flow, placing patients at risk: and

**WHEREAS**, The technology required for this mandatory decision support is extremely expensive, especially for smaller and independent physician practices; **therefore be it**

**RESOLVED**, That the OSMA advocate for policies that allow for physician judgment and documented medical decision-making to supersede government regulation – including the utilization of Augmented Intelligence – in instances of disputes in patient care; and, **be it further**

**RESOLVED**, That the OSMA advocate for policies that require “proof of concept,” in the form of independently demonstrated quality improvement, prior to the implementation of any government, insurance company or other third party mandate or regulation on patient care and the physician-patient relationship; and, **be it further**

**RESOLVED**, That the OSMA advocate for policies requiring government, insurance company or other third party entities to fully fund any mandates or regulations imposed on patient care and the physician-patient relationship; and, **be it further**

**RESOLVED**, That the OSMA delegation to our AMA write a resolution for A-20 asking our AMA to advocate for similar policies.

**Fiscal Note:** $ 10,000 (Sponsor)

$ 10,000 (Staff)