

RESOLUTION

Final Action: Adopted Resolves 1 and 2

Resolution: 112A.07

SUBJECT: MAG Position on MCG and the Expansion of
Public Medical Education in Georgia

SUBMITTED BY: Richmond County Medical Society

REFERRED TO: Reference Committee A

- 1 WHEREAS, the Medical College of Georgia (MCG) was chartered in 1828; and
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3 WHEREAS, there are now five (5) medical schools in Georgia; and
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5 WHEREAS, there is an increasing need for more primary care and specialty physicians to take
6 care of Georgia patients; and
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8 WHEREAS, MCG and other medical schools increasingly provide opportunities for medical
9 education and medical residencies throughout Georgia; and
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11 WHEREAS, it is a generally recognized phenomenon that many recently trained physicians
12 statistically practice their specialty near their point of training; and
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14 WHEREAS, there is currently in Georgia an effort to expand public medical education to
15 Athens; and
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17 WHEREAS, there may be adequate professional educational facilities in Athens to provide
18 basic (first two years) medical education; but there is not an adequate enough network of
19 clinical educators there to accredit a separate medical school; and
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21 WHEREAS, there is no demonstrable need to create a second, independent public medical
22 school in Georgia, given the capabilities of MCG to accredit appropriate medical educational
23 activities; now therefore be it
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25 RESOLVED, that MAG supports the position that the Medical College of Georgia in Augusta
26 will continue to be the sole public medical educational institution in Georgia; and, be it
27 further
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29 RESOLVED, that MAG supports the position that the Medical College of Georgia will continue
30 to expand its accreditation to qualified medical educational and residency programs in
31 Georgia, to ensure the outcome of an appropriate supply of physicians to take care of patients
32 throughout the state.

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