

RESOLUTION

Subject: Limited Service Clinics
Submitted by: Northern Kentucky Medical Society
Referred to: Reference Committee

WHEREAS, the nation's health care system continues to undergo profound and fundamental changes; and

WHEREAS, a fragmented health care system does not help to achieve the **"Triple Aim"**: Improving the patient experience of care (including quality and satisfaction); Improving the health of populations; and, Reducing the per capita cost of health care; and

WHEREAS, the Kentucky Medical Association (KMA) and the Kentucky Academy of Family Physicians (KAFF) understands the importance of patients having a primary medical home in reaching the overall goal of better health outcomes for Kentuckians; and

WHEREAS, as changes to the health care delivery occur, KMA wants to ensure the changes move patients toward receiving appropriate care, in the appropriate setting, at the appropriate time; and

WHEREAS, Limited Service Clinics (LSC) in Kentucky often operate outside the established medical systems in Kentucky communities; and

WHEREAS, LSCs are regulated by The Kentucky Cabinet for Health and Family Services Office of Inspector General Division of Health care under 902 KAR 20:400; and

WHEREAS, KMA has one representative on the Cabinet's Limited Service Clinics Advisory Committee; and

WHEREAS, LSCs have recently expanded their care to include chronic medical conditions (e.g. Hypertension, Hypercholesterolemia, Congestive Heart Failure, Diabetes Mellitus and Asthma); and

WHEREAS, Multiple patients in Northern Kentucky have reported getting their children's pre-participation physical exams at LSCs in Northern Kentucky due to the fact that their teams received "kick-backs for sports equipment"; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, that the Kentucky Medical Association advocate to hold Limited Service Clinics to the same business practices as physician practices.