

RES 28 C-3/19

SUBJECT: Osteopathic Manipulative Treatment (OMT) Performance Exam Pathway

SUBMITTED BY: ACOFP Board of Governors

REFERRED TO: 2019 ACOFP Congress of Delegates

RESOLUTION NO. 28

- WHEREAS, the American College of Osteopathic Family Physicians (ACOFP) membership strongly supports and desires the continuing promotion and educational venues of Osteopathic Manipulative Treatment (OMT); and
- WHEREAS, American Osteopathic Board of Family Physicians (AOBFP) has developed, offered, and retired a psychometrically validated OMT performance exam that is aimed at skills used in clinical practice; and
- WHEREAS, other specialties have candidates who desire to utilize OMT in their clinical practice; and
- WHEREAS, those other specialties do not have the number of candidates desiring an OMT performance exam that would make their own exam economically reasonable; and
- WHEREAS, ACOFP has developed "OMT Boot Camp" that can enhance OMT skills and satisfy requirements for OCC component 3 for any interested physician regardless of specialty; and
- WHEREAS, the AOBFP performance exam could be utilized as a focused exam for the needs of other specialties; and
- WHEREAS, a "Workforce Group" of ACOFP, American Association of Osteopathy (AAO), AOBFP, and American Osteopathic Board of Neuromusculoskeletal Medicine (AOBNMM) is tasked with meeting, evaluating, discussing, and recommending a pathway for the OMT Performance exam; and
- WHEREAS, the process of this "Workforce Group" needs to be driven by the physicians who understand OMT and its utilization in clinical medical practice; now, therefore, be it
- RESOLVED, that the American Osteopathic Association (AOA) ensures that the proper pathway to this performance exam is followed; and, be it further
- RESOLVED, that the American College of Osteopathic Family Physicians (ACOFP) urge the AOA to review the final product and require that it be approved by the physician members of the involved specialty colleges and corresponding certifying boards before submission to the AOA Board of Trustees; and, be it further
- RESOLVED, that the ACOFP forward this resolution to the AOA House of Delegates.

FINAL ACTION: The Resolution is WITHDRAWN as of March 20, 2019.

Explanatory Statement: The content is covered in Resolution 29