CONSENT CALENDAR FOR APPROVAL

902 Expanding Expedited Partner Therapy to Treat Trichomoniasis
   Good idea- supports state legislation to permit physicians to provide expedited Partner therapy, adding this to other STD diagnoses.

903 Improving Screening and Treatment Guidelines For Domestic Violence
   Against Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, Transgender, Queer/Questioning and Other Individuals: Sheds light on why many hesitate to reach out for help and asks for AMA to add "Queer/Questioning" (Q+) groups and others to LGBT list. I support the idea but I have personal disagreement about the use of the term Queer which is used in political protest but I find it demeaning and offensive as the general public uses it- see if others feel the same way.

904 Educating Physicians About the Importance of Cervical Cancer Screening for Female-to-Male Transgender Patients
   Asks AMA to work with relevant specialty groups to educate members about importance of regular screening and how to go about it.

906 Opioid Abuse in Breastfeeding Mothers
   Advocates for education and assistance for addicted mothers to allow breast feeding using safe meds ie buprenorphine, methadone under trained medical assistance- which is hardly passed to the infant and encourages AMA to add breast feeding mothers to relevant policy and work with its Task force to Reduce Opioid abuse to help educate doctors and patients.

907 Addressing Healthcare Needs of Foster Children
   Points out the special needs of this group of children, i.e more history of emotional trauma which result in multiple developmental and medical conditions related to toxic stress. AAP has identified 15 models of care suggesting better care in special Foster Care Clinics which provide coordination of care. Resolves the AMA advocate for evidence based care to address the special needs of this group.

909 Expanding Naloxone Programs
   Asks the AMA to study the practicality and utility of Naloxone rescue stations, i.e. wall mounted storage units that include instructions such as currently in hospital, schools, etc.

910 Improving Treatment and Diagnosis of Maternal Depression Through Screening and State Based Care Coordination
   In coordination with ACOG and AAP resolves the AMA work with stakeholders to develop and encourage routine protocols for depression screening, encourage development of training materials and encourage state based care coordination programs.

952 Implicit Bias, Diversity and Inclusion in Medical Education and Residency Training
   Aims to have the AMA support development of systems to minimize implicit bias via leaders in Medical School and Residency Programs, support research studies to learn how to avoid bias, i.e. no pictures on applications to eliminate disparities in health outcomes according to race and ethnicity.

954 Developing Physician Led Public Health/Population Health Capacity in Rural Communities
   There is a shortage of expertise in these areas in rural communities. Primary care Physicians often serve as "Health Officers" but don't feel sufficiently trained, would like to improve their capacities
but can't leave their busy practices to train. They would like to obtain the requisite public health board competencies through alternative “experiential” preceptorships, short didactic courses and other arrangements while still maintaining the integrity of their practices in order to improve public health competencies in these underserved areas. They ask the AMA to study this with participation of appropriate educational and certifying entities to see if innovative approaches could be developed to facilitate improved services in these underserved areas.

957 Standardization of Family Planning Training Opportunities in OB-GYN Residencies
ACGME guidelines which ACOG strongly support that residencies are required to provide access to abortion training in all training programs. This is not available in about 46% of programs. This also interferes with competency in contraceptive care. Current policy already allows for individual residents have the opportunity to learn or opt out of abortion training. AMA policy maintains that basic skills and competencies be determined solely by the medical profession. This resolution requests that our AMA encourage the ACGME to better enforce compliance in this area.

958 Sex and Gender Based Medicine in Clinical Medication Education
Focuses on the new research on sex and gender based differences in medicine and recommends that AMA advocate with several related organizations to assure inclusion of sex and gender based medicine across the spectrum of learners.

(Late 915) Easing Barriers to Medical Research on Marijuana
Already AMA policy, this asks our AMA to work with NIH to advocate for easing the barriers to medical research.

RESOLUTIONS FOR DISCUSSION

901 Harmful Effects of Screen Time in Children
Encourages research into the utility of blue light filtering glasses and on devices such as smart phones and tablets and asks AMA to encourage all schools to encourage all schools to include topic in curriculum recently released important study on led light spectrum which is being publicized. In my opinion this resolution while well intended goes too far too soon. I'm not sure that the science on blue light filters is sufficiently ready with recommendations and this asks a lot by schools and practices.

905 Addressing Social Media Usage and its Negative Impacts on Mental Health
Asks our AMA to collaborate with relevant professional organizations to develop CME educational programs on the (negative) health impacts of social media usage and develop effective clinical tools for identification, referral and treatment of children and adults at risk or experiencing effects and also advocate for schools to develop curricula to help students with this. I feel it's with good intentions and good science but bites off a lot and might benefit with input from APA and NIMH among others and possibly a more complete input by our Council before jumping into something so large.

908 Updating Energy Policy and Extraction Regulations to Promote Public Health and Sustainability
Provides a number of papers to support AMA alter it's policy on Clean Air. I obviously didn't have the time to review all of these and evaluate them. It requires further discussion and possibly referral for study.

953 Fees for Taking MOC Exams
Advocates relief for doctors and ABMS established as non-profit examining bodies should request reduced fees, working toward a balanced/neutral budget. I obviously agree but this is political enough to encourage discussion about this.
955  **Minimization of Bias in the Electronic Residency Application Service Residency Application**
Focuses on the possibility of unconscious bias in information, including a picture and other identifiers of race, ethnicity, etc and how to minimize conscious and unconscious bias. Asks our AMA to study and then advocate for ways to improve the application procedure. SIMILAR TO 952

956  **House Physicians Category**
Many ECFMG-certified IMG's are waiting to get into limited residency slots. They describe Fla program that gives them limited licenses to work as "House Physicians" to work under the direct supervision of a licensed physician which could help address physician shortfall. Asks AMA to work with State Legislators and other regulatory agencies to develop this category of "House Physician", especially in underserved areas.