



**Title:** Primary Care Services are Prevention

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- 1 **WHEREAS**, many studies have demonstrated the value of family physicians and other primary care physicians in  
2 reducing healthcare costs and improving patient healthcare outcomes, and
- 3 **WHEREAS**, family physicians and other primary care physicians continue to be underpaid compared to other  
4 physician specialties, and rising deductibles adversely affect primary care physicians, and
- 5 **WHEREAS**, family physicians and other primary care physicians are in short supply and could be better utilized  
6 caring for patients and preventing illnesses rather than fighting for payment, and
- 7 **WHEREAS**, many family physicians seem discouraged, feel undervalued, and are worried about the future, which  
8 affects new family physician recruitment, now, therefore, be it
- 9 **RESOLVED**, that Michigan Academy of Family Physicians ask the American Academy of Family Physicians to  
10 collect data affirming that all primary care physician Evaluation and Management services save money, improve  
11 health outcomes, extend lives, and reduce healthcare inequity; and be it further
- 12 **RESOLVED**, that Michigan Academy of Family Physicians ask the American Academy of Family Physicians to  
13 provide substantial resources and establish strategic alliances so it is determined that all primary care physicians'  
14 Evaluation and Management services are preventative and paid without co-pay and deductible.