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AMA Issues Recommendations for Physician Re-Entry Programs

In an effort to boost physician supply in the United States, the American Medical Association (AMA) developed recommendations for a coordinated national approach for physician re-entry into clinical practice.

The AMA collaborated with the Federation of State Medical Boards, the American Academy of Pediatrics, and other stakeholders—including leaders in licensure, board certification and medical education, and directors of re-entry programs—to develop the recommendations. According to the AMA, current re-entry programs lack standardized curricula and an officially recognized accreditation process.

Medical Resident Taxes

The U.S. Supreme Court—in a unanimous opinion—upheld a Treasury Department rule that full-time medical residents are full-time employees, and they must pay Social Security taxes because they perform at least 40 hours a week of supervised patient care.

Nationwide, the amount of Social Security taxes levied each year for medical residents is estimated at \$700 million. alternate languages.

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