

FORMATTING

Title
Sponsor

Whereas,

Whereas statement(s) support and/or provide background to substantiate the intent of the RESOLVEDS. Include as many whereas statements as necessary to provide the foundation for the intent(s) of the RESOLVED statements.

RESOLVED,

RESOLVED statements are requests for the FMA to take a specific position or course of action to address the concern(s) expressed in whereas statement(s).

RESOLVED statements should be focused and provide a specific, clear direction or action sought by the FMA should it be adopted.

RESOLVED clause(s) stand alone and should not reference the “whereas” statements or other resolves.

To the extent possible, each resolved statement should make adjustments, additions or elaborations to existing policy rather than creating new, possibly redundant policy. The resolved statements should be kept to the minimum number needed to convey the proposed directive.

Resolution 08-25

DMAT Supplies

Duval County Medical Society

Whereas, The Office of the Assistant Secretary for Preparedness and Response, U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, has made the decision to remove, relocate, and consolidate the local equipment caches of the six (6) Florida Disaster Medical Assistant Teams (DMAT) of the National Disaster Medical System to Atlanta; and

Whereas, Separation from its equipment will reduce Florida DMAT Teams’ readiness and ability to respond to a major medical event, as training readiness is a function of any team’s familiarity with its equipment and the drills conducted during regular training exercises; and

Whereas, Without access to its equipment, Florida DMAT Teams’ ability to drill and prepare will, undoubtedly, reduce its ability to effectively and rapidly respond when needed; therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the Florida Medical Association petition the Office of the Assistant Secretary for Preparedness and Response, U. S. Department of Health and Human Services, to reverse its decision to regionally relocate and consolidate DMAT equipment caches for the purpose of promoting local training and deployment readiness.