



CMA'S House of Delegates

THIRTY-FOUR SSVMS DELEGATES and Alternate Delegates attended the California Medical Association House of Delegates annual meeting on October 27-29 in Anaheim.

The House of Delegates establishes the policies that govern the Association and elects CMA's president. The House convenes annually to debate and act on resolutions and reports dealing with myriad medical practice, public health and CMA governance issues.

Each item of business is assigned to "reference committees" of six members of the House, which hear testimony for or against it from other CMA members and delegates. The committees then formulate recommendations for action by the full House.

Adopted policies are implemented by the Board of Trustees, which also deals with many interim policy issues arising between annual sessions.

The House of Delegates has more than 400 delegates in all, elected by members of component medical societies, specialty societies, CMA sections (Organized Medical Staff Section, Young Physicians Section, Ethnic Medical Organization Section, Medical Student Section), the Resident and Fellows Section and CMA mode of practice forums.

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