H-450.935 Health Care Standards.

Our AMA: (1) supports the ability of non-governmental organizations to evaluate appropriate medical diagnosis or therapy or current or new diagnostic or therapeutic tests, procedures, medications or other procedures that improve the quality of patient care; (2) supports the position that any practice guidelines, parameters, best practices models, or similar set of principles or clinical recommendations, whether developed or issued by government or non-government organizations, including those that result from any comparative effectiveness research or evidence-based medicine system, do not, and should expressly state that they do not, establish standard of care or create specific requirements for physicians that restrict the exercise of their clinical judgment; (3) urges any organization, whether governmental or non-governmental, promulgating any practice guidelines, parameters, best practices models, or similar set of principles or clinical recommendations, to include a statement that they are guidelines only; and (4) urges any organization, whether governmental or non-governmental, promulgating any practice guidelines, parameters, best practices models, or similar set of principles or clinical recommendations, to set and make publicly available a regular schedule for review and update and to include the level of evidence supporting the guidelines. (Res. 205, A-10; Reaffirmation I-10)

FEDERAL RULE OF EVIDENCE 902.

EVIDENCE THAT IS SELF-AUTHENTICATING

The following items of evidence are self-authenticating; they require no extrinsic evidence of authenticity in order to be admitted:

(1) Domestic Public Documents That Are Sealed and Signed. A document that bears:

(A) a seal purporting to be that of the United States …

(5) Official Publications. A book, pamphlet, or other publication purporting to be issued by a public authority.