

RESOLUTION: EQUAL ACCESS FOR ACUPUNCTURE

Whereas: More and more people are including acupuncture as part of their health care options, and

Whereas: Many health insurance companies claim to cover acupuncture, but a majority of them will only cover it if it is done by medical doctors or chiropractors, and

Whereas: This is a form of discrimination, by not allowing the public to have equal access to Licensed Acupuncturist, and

Whereas: Minnesota's Licensed Acupuncturists have thousands of hours of training in acupuncture, much more than the acupuncture training received by other health care professionals who have acupuncture within their scope of practice. This higher level of training is reflected in highly skilled service.

Therefore, be it resolved that: All health care policies that claim to cover acupuncture shall also be required to reimburse Licensed Acupuncturists for the procedures they perform within their scope of practice.