

SOUTH DAKOTA STATE MEDICAL ASSOCIATION
POLICY

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POLICY STATEMENT

The South Dakota State Medical Association (SDSMA) shall oppose any attempt to criminalize physicians for providing evidence-based medical care within the accepted standard of care according to nationally recognized professional practice guidelines, and the scope of a physician’s training and judgement including attempts to interfere with the physician decision-making process. Such interference is a disservice to the medical profession and not in the best interest of the residents of South Dakota.

AUTHORITY

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