

**SOUTH DAKOTA STATE MEDICAL ASSOCIATION
POLICY COUNCIL**

9:00 am (CT)
Friday, October 30, 2026

Hull/Port Room
Drifters, Fort Pierre, SD

AGENDA

Business Meeting:

- I. Call to Order – Laura Hoefert, MD, Policy Council Chair
- II. Secretary’s Report – Mandi Greenway Bietz, MD, Secretary/Treasurer
- III. Code of Conduct Statement
- IV. Rules of Order
- V. Approval of Agenda
- VI. Introductions, Recognitions and Announcements
- VII. Consent Calendar
 - A. Policy Council Minutes
 - B. Seating of Policy and Alternate Councilors
 - C. Board of Directors Minutes
- VIII. EMS Funding Task Force Update – Rep. Eric Emery, Task Force Vice Chair
- IX. Maternal & Infant Health Task Force Update – Denise Hanisch, MD, SDDOH Medical Director & Task Force member
- X. General Business
 - A. President’s Report – Ben Meyerink, MD
 - B. Election of Nominating Committee Members
- XI. Medical Student Section Update – William Brown & Avery Dooley
- XII. Committee on Ethics and Judicial Affairs – Proposed Bylaws Change
- XIII. Advocacy and Government Relations – Justin Ohleen and Aaron Vlasman
 - A. Advocacy Agenda 2027
 - B. SDSMA Physicians Advocacy Day – Feb. 2, 2027
 - C. Doctor of the Day Program 2027
- XIV. Ad Hoc Committee on Artificial Intelligence

- XV. Proposed New Policy Statements
 - A. Cosmetic Surgery and Safety and Regulation in Medical Spas
 - B. Midwifery Scope of Practice and Licensure
 - C. Doula Care

- XVI. Policy Review
 - A. Obstetrical Care and Deliveries
 - B. Pay-for-Performance
 - C. Restrictive Covenants
 - D. Self-Treatment or Treatment of Immediate Family
 - E. Internet Treatment and Prescribing
 - F. Ordering and Interpretation of Lab Tests
 - G. Policies Scheduled for Review in 2027

- XVII. Policy Council Meeting Dates 2027

- XVIII. Other Business

- XIX. Adjournment