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**RESOLUTION 301**

**SUBJECT:** Nutritional alternatives in clinic and hospital systems

**INTRODUCED BY:** LSMS Council on Public Health

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- 1 **WHEREAS**, food offered and/or served in medical and health facilities throughout Louisiana is  
2 of great variety, and  
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4 **WHEREAS**, what is generally known now as nutritious and healthy food may not always be  
5 offered in medical and/or health facilities in Louisiana, especially for persons with special  
6 dietary needs, such as persons with diabetes mellitus, therefore let it be now be  
7  
8 **RESOLVED**, that the Louisiana State Medical Society encourages clinic and hospital systems  
9 and all medical and/or health facilities that offer and/or serve food to offer known nutritious  
10 alternatives through their food services to visitors, patients, staff personnel and volunteers, with  
11 special attention to the needs of the diabetic population, as traditionally would be offered to  
12 patients only and when medically ordered.

RESOLUTION 302

**SUBJECT:** Update current Obesity Policy

**INTRODUCED BY:** LSMS Council on Public Health

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1 **WHEREAS**, being extremely overweight has been known to be linked with other chronic  
2 medical conditions, and

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4 **WHEREAS**, being extremely overweight has become more prevalent in Louisiana in all age  
5 groups and all races and ethnicities,

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7 **WHEREAS**, physicians will highly likely be consulted by their patients who are overweight as  
8 how best to control weight or lose weight, and now therefore let it be

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10 **RESOLVED**, that the current LSMS policy on Obesity read as:

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12 Obesity (244)

13 244.01 Obesity - Contending with ~~Childhood~~ Obesity

14 The LSMS supports school-based and community programs targeting control of ~~childhood~~  
15 obesity, such as the use of Body Mass Index (BMI) measurements **or the use of other generally**  
16 **medically accepted parameters** at appropriate ages, with results of the BMI **and/or other**  
17 **generally medically accepted parameter** be made known **to patients and/or** to the parents or  
18 guardians of ~~the~~ children with recommendations for referral to **medical specialists** ~~their~~  
19 ~~physician~~ when **and if** appropriate.

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21 Authority Note: R210-10, 1st resolve; reaffirmed R103-15

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