

## **ISMA Board of Trustees feedback on Resolution 17-22**

During the 2017 Annual Convention, the ISMA House of Delegates voted and passed to the Board for action Resolution 17-22, which resolved to make the current district medical societies part of ISMA and not separate legal entities, and to require that each district medical society hold trustee elections at meetings of their choosing prior to the annual convention.

In all actions, ISMA will adhere to the four pillars of the strategic plan: 1) Targeted and Clear Communication; 2) Attract and Engage Members; 3) Physician Leadership and Satisfaction; and 4) Industry Impact. Goals have been determined to be:

- Election of officers and development of trustees
- Information dissemination
- Utilization of resource for resolutions discussions
- Member engagement and public service

At the March 4, 2018, Board of Trustees meeting, the ISMA Executive Committee asked the trustees to provide feedback regarding a process to dissolve the districts. Here is a summation:

### **Winding Down**

All districts will dissolve as legal entities. ISMA will not provide legal advice but instead will identify a third-party resource to provide analysis and services.

### **Elections**

Each district will decide when (prior to the ISMA Annual Convention) and how to elect officers - electronic or in-person.

### **Conducting Business**

District medical society officers will serve as the planning committee. Each district will determine if staff should be offered a stipend for their services. District events should be open to all ISMA members to increase collaboration between districts.

### **Financial**

Each district will decide if unused monies will be held by ISMA. Districts will have a standardized budget, allocated proportionally to membership, with the option to request additional funds on an as-needed basis. Budgets should be submitted by late spring/early summer. A grant process should be considered for district events.

### **Communication**

ISMA will provide talking points to help trustees communicate a clear, consistent message throughout the dissolution process. ISMA will explain the process using all forms of communication (letter, email, presentation, survey) in a timely manner.