Motion to Endorse the FMEQ Positions for the Provincial Lobby Day

Submitted to the General Assembly, December 5th 2017

Whereas, the FMEQ requires the approval of its four member schools to adopt a resolution;

Whereas, the FMEQ has chosen to address the topics of pharmacare and vaccines for its provincial lobby day;

1. Pharmacare

Whereas, many drugs are excluded from the current drug coverage and therefore amount to user fees:

Whereas, many Canadians cannot afford their prescription medications, thereby introducing a two-tier system in Canada;

Whereas, drug costs in Canada are among the highest in the world (NCBI);

Whereas, notable savings are achieved by the introduction of a single payer system;

2. Vaccination

Whereas, vaccination is a major public health issue;

Whereas, the vaccination rate in Quebec has decreased, allowing some eradicated diseases to resurface:

Whereas, physicians have an important social responsibility to promote vaccination;

Be it resolved, that the MSS will endorse the FMEQ's position in favour of an improvement of the medical coverage offered by the RAMQ.

Be it further resolved, that the MSS will endorse the FMEQ's position in favour of the steps taken to obtain universal coverage of medicines.

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Be it resolved, that the MSS will endorse the FMEQ's position in favour of raising public awareness of the myths surrounding vaccination and, if necessary, working to deconstruct them.

Be it further resolved, that the MSS will endorse the FMEQ's position to promote vaccination to the authorities.

Be it further resolved, that the MSS will endorse the FMEQ's position in favour of tighter monitoring of the immunization status of children through various public health measures.

Moved by Eloise Passarella (M2) Seconded by Liang Chen (M2)