

SUBJECT: TENETS OF OSTEOPATHIC MEDICINE – SOURCE: H617-A/18

SUBMITTED BY: Bureau of Osteopathic Education

REFERRED TO: Ad Hoc Committee

1 WHEREAS, this policy is to be reviewed for sunset; and

2 WHEREAS, the Bureau of Osteopathic Education has reviewed the policy; now,
3 therefore be it

4 RESOLVED, that the Bureau of Osteopathic Education recommends that the
5 following policy be REAFFIRMED.

6 The American Osteopathic Association approves the following consensus statement
7 on the tenets of osteopathic medicine:

- 8 1. The body is a unit; the person is a unity of body, mind and spirit.
- 9 2. The body is capable of self-regulation, self-healing and health maintenance.
- 10 3. Structure and function are reciprocally interrelated.
- 11 4. Rational treatment is based upon an understanding of the basic principles of
- 12 body unity, self-regulation and the interrelationship of structure and function.

Background Information: Provided by AOA Staff

Current AOA Policy: As noted above (2008; 2013 Reaffirmed; 2018 Reaffirmed)

Prior HOD action on similar or same topic: As noted above

FISCAL IMPACT: \$0

ACTION TAKEN: Adopted

DATE: July 22, 2023