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ARM agenda No.	Resolutions
30	Motion by NORTH WEST REGIONAL COUNCIL: That this meeting believes that the BMA should have no confidence in a GMC that invests in corporations associated with increased morbidity and mortality and demands a complete cessation of such investments.
	CARRIED
31	Motion by NORTH EAST REGIONAL COUNCIL: A 2022 GMC investigation on 'deaths during investigations' reports that tragically 29 doctors died while under GMC investigation or monitoring over the three-year period 1 January 2018 – 31 December 2020. Furthermore, too many Medical Practitioners Tribunal Service (MPTS) Fitness To Practice (FTP) decisions are disproportionate to the error of the doctors mistake. That this meeting:- i) believes that healthcare professionals must have improved access to mental wellbeing support during regulatory investigations; ii) has no confidence in the current MPTS; iii) calls for the leadership team of the MPTS to be dismissed and replaced with a team that commands the confidence and support of the medical profession; iv) has no confidence in the current GMC; v) calls for the leadership team of the GMC to be dismissed and replaced with a team that commands the confidence and support of the medical profession.
32	Motion by BUCKINGHAMSHIRE DIVISION: That this meeting is concerned about the current and future use of Artificial Intelligence (AI) programmes in the delivery or monitoring of health care without any obvious assessment of potential harms/ drawbacks and instructs BMA to investigate both pros and cons and report back to the membership. CARRIED
33	 Motion by NORTH WEST REGIONAL COUNCIL: That this meeting believes that the Association shall campaign to:- i) reduce the legal blood alcohol limit for driving to the average of European Nations; ii) educate the public to the risks of driving under the influence of all drugs (likely to impair safe driving); iii) remind all doctors of current professional guidelines relating to driving and health including where reporting to DVLA is permissible, and iv) improve provision of specialist and community drug and alcohol services.
36	Motion by SOUTH WEST REGIONAL COUNCIL: That this meeting notes the persistent crisis and subsequent collapse of areas of general practice in the UK and mandates the BMA to explore and share similar models of universal healthcare systems in other countries, with the aim of understanding the potential to learn from and implement augmented or alternative systems in the UK.
	CARRIED

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38	Motion by CORNWALL DIVISION: That this meeting recognises that because of the length of medical
	training many UK trained doctors have large student loans and may consider leaving the UK for better pay and working conditions. To seek to improve recruitment and retention, we call for any student loan repayments due while a doctor is in NHS medical employment to be paid by the
	government.
	CARRIED
39	Motion by THE AGENDA COMMITTEE (TO BE PROPOSED BY LINCOLN DIVISION): That this meeting notes the forthcoming pilot for the medical apprenticeship model and:-
	iv) believes standards of assessment should be the same as via traditional medical schools.
	CARRIED
41	Motion by SCOTTISH COUNCIL: That this meeting recognises the value of remote and rural placement opportunities for medical students in Scotland while recognising the financial burden associated with placements away from students' homes and support structures. This meeting calls upon the BMA to:-
	i) demand that national and local decisions on the use of Medical Additional Cost of Teaching funds for improvements of teaching and student facilities be made in consultation with student representatives from relevant medical schools;
	ii) recommend that NES and the Scottish government create a clear standardised system for students to claim incurred expenses;
	iii) develop guidance and lobby NHS Education Scotland (NES) for appropriate support with costs incurred by travel to remote placement locations including travel to sites with provided accommodation.
	CARRIED