## **RESOLUTION 4:** Adoption of the Position Paper *Global Surgery Education within Canadian Medical School Curricula*

**Whereas** global surgery is necessary to address inequities and inequalities faced by low- and middle-income countries (LMICs) and underserved areas in Canada; and

**Whereas** as a high-income country, Canada is in a privileged position to work to reduce the gap in necessary surgical, anesthetic, and obstetric care both within the country and within LMICs; and

**Whereas** there is growing interest and demand for global surgery education amongst medical students and residents which would help address the aforementioned inequities, however, such formal training and opportunities are lacking; and

Whereas there is a lack of funding, protected time, and institutional support for residents and in some instances, physicians, for participating in global surgery; therefore be it

**Resolved that** increasing access to global surgery education along with proper funding and protected time for medical students and residents will help train future Canadian physicians to in-turn empower the workforces of LMIC and underserved Canadian areas to reduce the inequities and inequalities of surgical access; be it further

**Resolved that** the Canadian Federation of Medical Students (CFMS) adopt the position paper titled, *Global Surgery Education within Canadian Medical School Curricula*.

## **Financial cost:**

There is no associated financial cost to the adoption of this position paper.

## Source of funding:

No source of funding is required because there is no associated financial cost.

## Level of Effort of Volunteers/Staff:

The level of effort on the behalf of the CFMS and its representatives will involve future advocacy efforts to support the recommendations as advised in the position paper.

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