

# Resolution Tips

The title summarizes the topic of your resolution.

**Resolution Number:** 203-2014

ASDA staff will assign these

**Title:** Needlestick Policy

Speaker of the House assigns this

**Reference Committee Assignment:** Education & Licensure

This section presents relevant information that makes a case for your resolution. Include facts and relevant references to existing ASDA policy. The background information may often be the first exposure delegates have to the topic, so make it strong.

**Sponsor(s):** Ian Lieberman, Alternate delegate, Nova Southeastern

Include name, position and chapter

Expected cost of your resolution must be included; ASDA staff can help you determine the amount

**Financial Impact:** None

**Background:** There is currently no needlestick policy guiding ASDA's position on how schools should provide their needlestick insurance policies. At NSU College of Medicine, a student was stuck on an off-site location at 4:50pm on a Friday which brought this issue to light for our entire health professions division. Our student clinic is only open Monday through Friday from 8am-5pm, and the policy states that needlestick incidents must be addressed at our main campus clinic in Davie at the student health center. This led to the student not being covered for the retroviral medication he needed and could not later be reimbursed. For this reason, all institutions should provide 24-hour coverage and look more closely at their current policies; therefore, be it

Always end with "therefore, be it"

Ensure that both the background and resolving clauses are concise. Resolving clauses should be written in the affirmative.

## RESOLUTION

The resolution contains calls to action or policy changes

**Resolved,** that ASDA should adopt a needlestick policy that will provide 24-hour coverage for needlestick injuries under their provided health insurance. Knowing that each school provides insurance in different ways, an OSHA liaison should be available after hours to direct the student and patient to another care site, if not the designated student clinic to receive their needed immediate attention.

If you have multiple actions in a resolution, each action must be in separate clauses. Every clause begins with the word "Resolved," and should end with "and be it further" except the final clause. All clauses must be relevant to the overall topic.

Please use the Resolution Template found on ASDA's website to write your resolution. If you need assistance in writing your resolution, contact the current speaker of the House at [speaker@asdanet.org](mailto:speaker@asdanet.org).

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