

**AMERICAN ASSOCIATION OF MEDICAL ASSISTANTS
RESOLUTION 25-01**

INTRODUCED BY: 2024-2025 American Association of Medical Assistants Bylaws and Resolutions Committee

SUBJECT: Increased Awareness and Utilization of Credentialed Medical Assistants Through Community Health and Safety Partnerships

WHEREAS: The American Association of Medical Assistants (AAMA) is the only professional membership organization solely dedicated to the profession of medical assisting; and

WHEREAS: The AAMA has begun to develop a number of collaborative activities with various nonprofit organizations, such as the National Colorectal Cancer Round Table (NCCRT) and the Center for the Application of Substance Abuse Technologies (CASAT), that address specific medical conditions, illnesses, diseases and comorbidities;

WHEREAS: The AAMA provides professional development for medical assistants through certification and continuing education; and

WHEREAS: The AAMA aligns with health care employers to emphasize the value of employing credentialed medical assistants in today's medical setting; and

WHEREAS: The credentialed medical assistant is trained to handle both clinical and administrative tasks, excel at patient communication, lessen the risk of allegations of negligence, improve quality outcomes through patient education and customer service, and demonstrate a strong foundation of knowledge and skills; and

WHEREAS: The role of the credentialed medical assistant, according to evidence-based practice, is vital to the interdisciplinary team model best suited to treat today's patient's illnesses, diseases, and co-morbidities; therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the AAMA, where appropriate and advantageous, enter into partnerships with professional organizations addressing common medical conditions, illnesses, diseases, and co-morbidities; and be it further

RESOLVED, That the AAMA encourage all credentialed medical assistants to play a role in said partnerships through volunteering for events, undertaking continuing education on the specific medical conditions being addressed and help improve the quality of care offered by themselves and their practices through appropriate screening of patient and sharing resources for care, where appropriate and as delegated by the practice's licensed independent provider.