

**RESOLUTION 4—2017
Regular Annual Session**

Submitted by—
Board of Directors

POLICY ON THERAPEUTIC USE OF STEM CELLS AND REGENERATIVE MEDICINE

RESOLVED, that the American Veterinary Medical Association (AVMA) adopt the policy on Therapeutic Use of Stem Cells and Regenerative Medicine as noted in the [attachment](#).

Statement about the Resolution

The AVMA is aware of the need for a policy on therapeutic use of stem cells and other regenerative medicine. While regenerative medicine holds promise of improvements in the treatment of a variety of diseases, many of which lack adequately effective treatments, questions remain. Thus it is imperative that the AVMA advocate for continued scientific development of these modalities while at the same time encouraging its members to employ caution with respect to their use. The proposed policy provides needed guidance to veterinarians and can be used to advocate AVMA positions on the issue to policymakers and other stakeholders.

Financial Impact:

	Board of Directors	House Advisory Committee	Reference Committee #7	House of Delegates
Recommend Approval	X	X		
Recommend Disapproval				
Recommend Referral to...				
No Recommendation				
Recommend Postpone Indefinitely				

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