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*The undersigned members of the Council of Medical Specialty Societies (CMSS) are concerned that the recent executive order suspending some foreign entry into the United States will have a negative impact on patient care, medical research, the education of health professionals, and international scientific collaboration. Tens of thousands of people from more than 100 countries come to the United States each year to exchange ideas to improve patient care throughout the world. Progress against disease will falter if the global community engaging together in medical care is divided by policies that bar members of certain nationalities from entering the United States to deliver patient care, conduct research, participate in medical education and engage in scientific discourse. We call on national leaders to eliminate barriers to scientific exchange and medical education.*

- American Academy of Allergy, Asthma and Immunology
- American Academy of Dermatology
- American Academy of Family Physicians
- American Academy of Hospice and Palliative Medicine
- American Academy of Neurology
- American Academy of Ophthalmology
- American Academy of Pediatrics
- American Academy of Physical Medicine and Rehabilitation
- American College of Cardiology
- American College of Medical Genetics and Genomics
- American College of Physicians
- American College of Preventive Medicine
- American College of Rheumatology
- American Congress of Obstetricians and Gynecologists
- American Epilepsy Society
- American Geriatrics Society
- American Psychiatric Association
- American Society for Clinical Pathology
- American Society for Radiation Oncology
- American Society of Colon and Rectal Surgeons
- American Society of Hematology
- American Society of Nephrology
- American Society of Plastic Surgeons
- American Urological Association
- Society for Vascular Surgery
- Society of Critical Care Medicine

- Society of Hospital Medicine
- Society of Nuclear Medicine and Molecular Imaging
- Society of Thoracic Surgeons

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