

Passing this AMA policy –*declaring that climate change is a public health crisis, aligning advocacy around Paris Climate goals and resolving to create a strategic plan to address climate change**– is a big success that many committed AMA members contributed to.

Can you please consider 1-2 of the social media posts below on your outlets to help amplify the success and build momentum for AMA climate leadership in the interest of health?

(images to consider adding are also below)

Please contact me with any questions or comments

Thank you!

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**the full language of the new policy is included below*

PRESS COVERAGE:

<https://www.washingtonpost.com/politics/2022/06/14/climate-change-is-increasingly-viewed-public-health-crisis/>

<https://www.fiercehealthcare.com/providers/ama-sets-out-major-positions-abortion-climate-change-and-disinformation-annual-meeting>

<https://www.ama-assn.org/press-center/press-releases/ama-adopts-new-policy-declaring-climate-change-public-health-crisis>

<https://www.medicaleconomics.com/view/ama-climate-change-is-a-public-health-crisis>

Sample social media posts:

TWITTER:

We did it! AMA: Climate change is a public health crisis

<https://www.medicaleconomics.com/view/ama-climate-change-is-a-public-health-crisis>
via @medeconomics we did it! Health professionals have such a unique opportunity to leverage our trusted voices in calling for climate action- to protect health #medtwitter @AmerMedicalAssn @CMAdocs

INSTAGRAM:

<https://www.instagram.com/p/CeyxaSVvkFW/>

FACEBOOK:

We did it! A small, concerned group of medical students and physicians worked for 2 years to pass this AMA policy declaring climate change a health crisis, aligning AMA advocacy with international climate goals of Paris to limit warming to 1.5C, and calling for AMA to create a strategic plan to guide physician leadership in the face of the greatest public health crisis of our lifetimes.

As physicians we can make such a difference in leveraging our uniquely trusted voices to advocate for urgent, bold climate action-- to protect health.

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*AMA Policy accepted by consent calendar 6/13/22:

Alternate Resolution 420 be adopted lieu of Resolution 420 and Resolution 430.

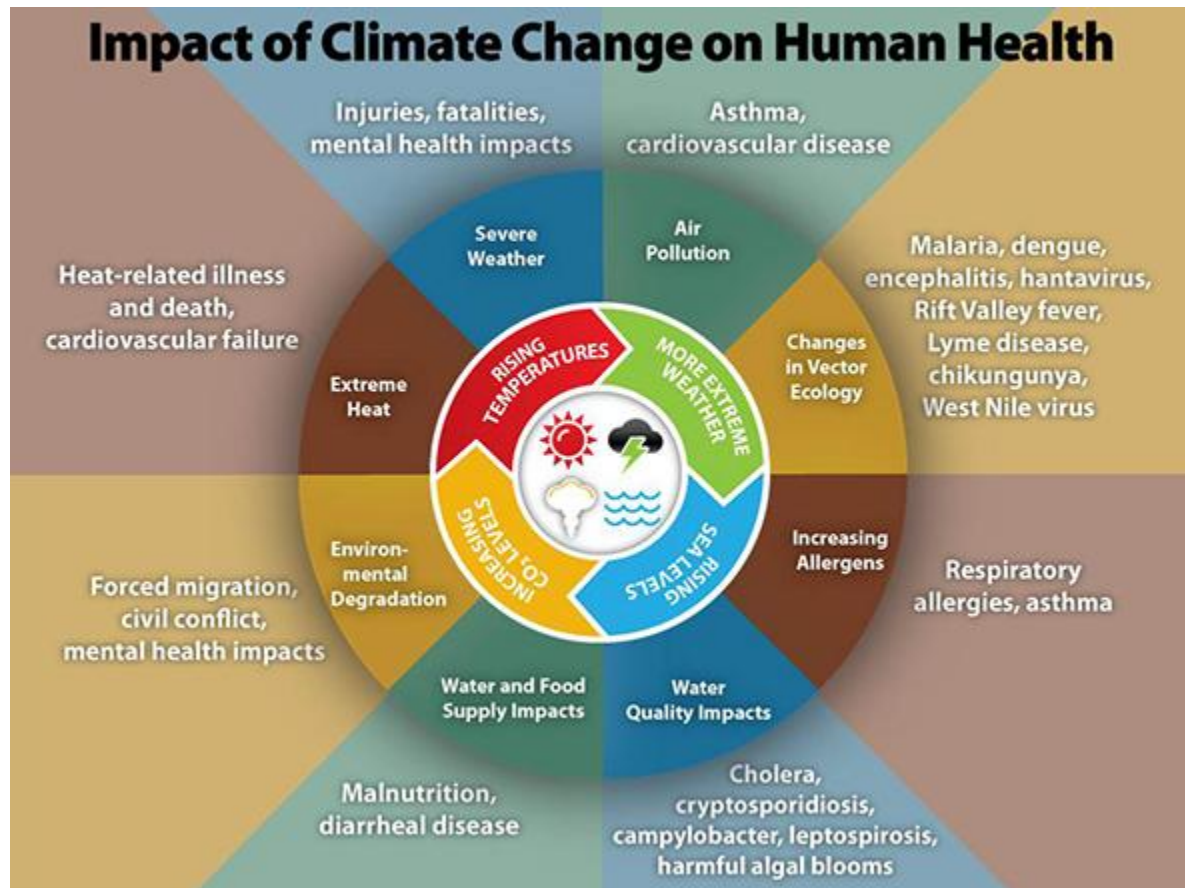
DECLARING CLIMATE CHANGE A PUBLIC HEALTH CRISIS

RESOLVED, That our American Medical Association declare climate change a public health crisis that threatens the health and well-being of all individuals (Directive to Take Action); and be it further

RESOLVED, That our AMA protect patients by advocating for policies that: (1) limit global warming to no more than 1.5 degrees Celsius, (2) reduce US greenhouse gas emissions aimed at carbon neutrality by 2050, and (3) support rapid implementation and incentivization of clean energy solutions and significant investments in climate resilience through a climate justice lens (Directive to Take Action); and be it further

RESOLVED, That our AMA develop a strategic plan for how we will enact our climate change policies including advocacy priorities and strategies to decarbonize physician practices and the health sector with report back to the House of Delegates at the 2023 Annual Meeting. (Directive to Take Action)

IMAGES to consider including in posts:



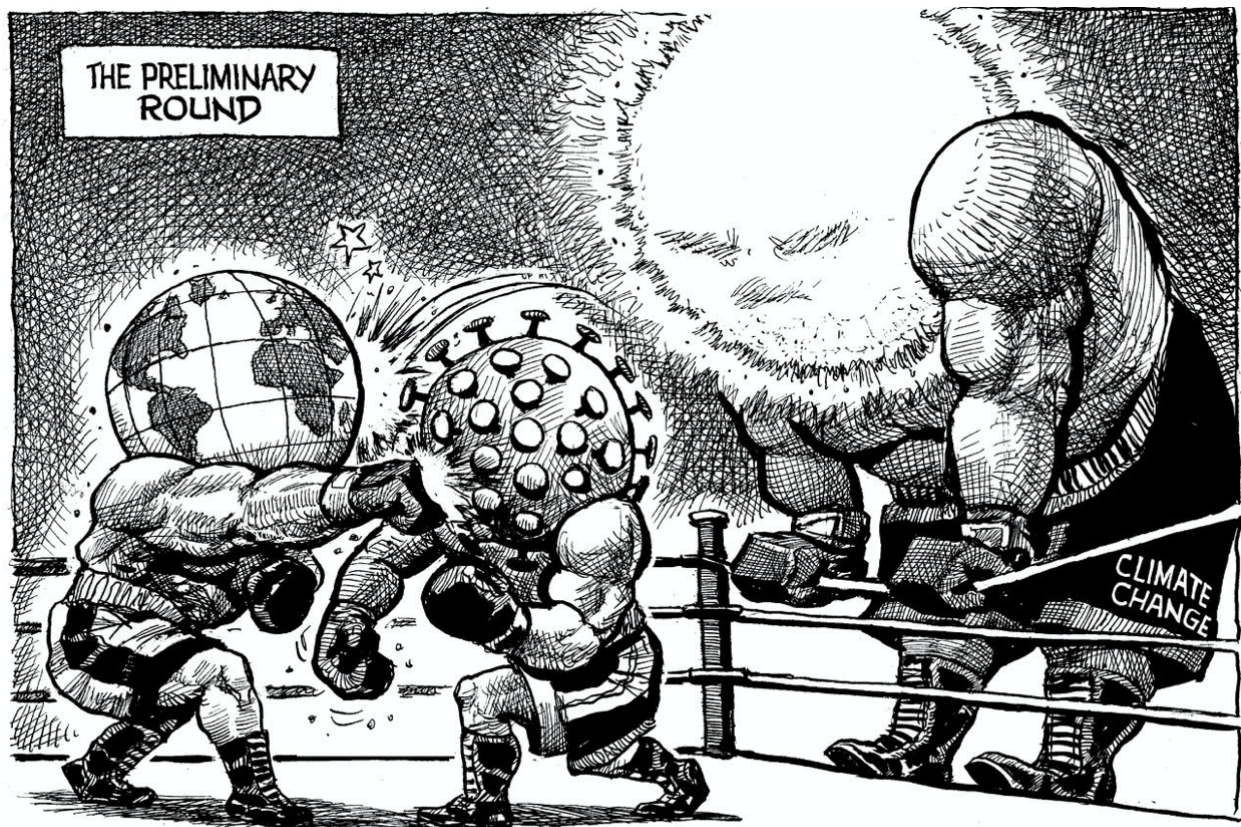
from CDC

Boosting political will for
climate action



“EVERY **OUNCE OF PREVENTION**
WILL BE WORTH AT LEAST
A **POUND OF CURE** WHEN IT
COMES TO CLIMATE CHANGE.”

Marc Futernick, MD
Dignity Health
2019 Environmental Health Hero recipient



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