1. Identify and develop educational opportunities and materials on ethics issues, including at least three articles for ACEP publications including:
   - Ethics of opiates in the heroin era.
   - Ethical issues in EMR usage.
   - Effects of the changes to the ACA for patients.
   - Supporting the prudent layperson’s definition of an emergency is an important provision to help secure health equity for ED patients post ACA.
   - Publication that highlights the “Principles of Ethics for Emergency Physicians.”
   - Diversity Pipeline: What are institutions responsibilities to recruit and support minority physicians?

2. Review the Policy Compendium of the Code of Ethics for Emergency Physicians and recommend needed revisions to the Board of Directors.

3. Review and provide recommendations to the Board of Directors on ethics complaints.

4. Develop the following information papers:
   - Assessing safety for discharge of psychiatric patients from the ED. Collaborate with the Coalition on Psychiatric Emergencies.
   - Ethical challenges that arise from long-term boarding of mental health patients both in reference to their care and the impact on the staff and ED functioning.
   - Ethical issues surrounding advance care planning directives and symptomatic treatment of terminally ill patients within the emergency department.
   - Assault, aggression and inappropriate behavior in Emergency Medicine.

5. Review the following policies per the Policy Sunset Review Process:
   - Advertising and Publicity of Emergency Medical Care
   - Emergency Physician Stewardship of Finite Resources
   - Resource Utilization in the Emergency Department: The Duty of Stewardship (PREP)

   Determine by December 15 if the policies should be reaffirmed, revised, rescinded, or sunsetting. Submit any proposed revisions to the Board for approval by the end of the committee year.
6. Provide input to the Federal Government Affairs Committee on draft legislation for the 116th Congress to address ED-specific end-of-life issues. (Federal Government Affairs is the lead committee).

7. Provide input to the Medical-Legal Committee to promote awareness and adoption of ACEP’s “Expert Witness Guidelines for the Specialty of Emergency Medicine” to reduce egregious testimony. (Medical-Legal is the lead committee.)

8. Work with the Medical-Legal Committee and the State Legislative/Regulatory Committee to review Amended Resolution 28(18) Inclusion of Methadone in State Drug and Prescription Databases and provide a recommendation to the Board about the advisability of adding this initiative to ACEP’s legislative agenda because of potential unintended consequences and violation of patient confidentiality. (Ethics is the lead committee.)

9. Work with the State Legislative/Regulatory Committee to revise the policy statement “Law Enforcement Gathering in the ED to reflect recent relevant court decisions regarding consent for searches with or without warrant to provide clarification and guidance to emergency physicians on their ethical and legal obligations as directed in Amended Resolution 46(18) Enforcement Information Gather in the ED Policy Statement. (Ethics is the lead committee.)

10. Work with the State Legislative/Regulatory Committee to review the policy statement “Recording Devices in the ED” and determine if any revisions are needed to address surreptitious (audio/video) recording in the ED as directed in the first resolved of Amended Resolution 48(18) Recording in the Emergency Department. (Ethics is the lead committee.)