



AMERICAN OSTEOPATHIC ASSOCIATION

# MEDICAL LIABILITY REFORM HEALTH CARE REFORM

Provision	Effective Date	Summary
State grants for demonstration projects to explore alternative dispute resolutions	January 1, 2011	The Secretary is authorized to award five-year demonstration grants to states to develop, implement, and evaluate alternative medical liability reform initiatives, such as health courts and early offer programs.
Medical liability protections under the Federal Tort Claims Act	January 1, 2011	Medical liability protections under the Federal Tort Claims Act (FTCA) are extending to officers, governing board members, employees, and contractors of free health clinics.