

AAFP TESTIMONY TRAINING WORKSHEET

STEP 1

Identify your resolution and select one “resolved” clause:

STEP 2

Why did you pick this clause? Think of a personal experience that relates to your clause:

STEP 3

How did this experience make you feel? Write down 2-3 key words:

STEP 4 (Sample on the back of this sheet)

Write down the premise of your story (50-80 words):

1. You are the protagonist – Introduce yourself
 2. Give the setting – Where do you practice? What kind of patients do you serve?
 3. Tell us your motivation – What did you want to do for your patient(s)?
 4. Tell us the obstacle/conflict – What prevented you from doing what you needed to do?
 5. Identify the antagonist – Who or what was standing in the way?
 6. Identify the clause as part of your solution – If the clause passes, will it help or hurt?
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SAMPLE:

1. “My name is x from x state (or say if you are a delegate or alternate), speaking on my own behalf/on behalf of x state or member constituency in favor of/against this resolution.”
2. “I practice in a x clinic (*describe your practice setting*) which puts me in touch with x kind of patients (*describe your patients*).”
3. “Once, a patient asked for x (*describe the patient’s issue or request*).”
4. “I needed to x, but I couldn’t because of y (*identify your objective and the conflict that stood in the way*).”
5. “I needed approval from x (*identify who or what stood in your way*).”

6. "I strongly feel that if x resolution passes, I would not have to face this in the future (*present your resolution as the solution*)."