

NASSAU COUNTY MEDICAL SOCIETY
Councilor's Report – June 18, 2015
Paul Pipia, M.D., Councilor

- I. Tonight is the 2015 President's Reception honoring Michael Ziegelbaum, MD, and also honoring Arthur Wise, Jr., MD, the 2015 recipient of the Sidney Mishkin, MD Memorial Lifetime Distinguished Service Award. We are pleased to welcome Dr. Maldonado, Mr. Schuh and Ms. Skelly as our guests this evening. The event is being held at the Old Westbury Golf and Country Club. This year marks the 54th time the Society has honored its President.

- II. The NCMS Annual Meeting was held on May 19 at the Chateau Braind. In addition to our regular meeting agenda, 50 Year Citations were presented to our members celebrating their 50th anniversary for medical school graduation in 1965. We are also heard a very informative presentation by Jackie Thalian on the upcoming ICD-10 transition in October.

- III. Nassau CMS, MSSNY and Queens CMS continue to work to bring in a group of physicians from the NUMC Emergency Medicine Department, who have expressed interest in a group membership. We hope that this will provide the needed opportunity to reach out to other departments within NUMC.

- IV. The Society is issuing a press release regarding the passage of its recent HOD Resolution, notifying the public that it is seeking child-resistant caps on all energy drinks sold in New York State. This resolution was adopted by the entire delegation without debate. Specifically, the policy calls on MSSNY to seek regulation at the state level requiring all manufacturers of energy drinks for sale in New York State to use bottles that have child-resistant caps similar to those used on over-the-counter bottled medications. The newly-adopted policy also requires MSSNY to take this issue to the American Medical Association (AMA) to seek similar federal legislation. The press release as well as a message to all members to contact their legislators will be sent out shortly. It will likewise be posted on our Facebook page.

