# Medical Society of the State of New York

Report of the 9<sup>th</sup> District Branch
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The Medical Society of the State of New York's 9<sup>th</sup> District Branch is comprised of the following county medical societies: Dutchess, Orange, Putnam, Rockland, and Westchester.

Below is the Report of Activities within the 9<sup>th</sup> District Branch of MSSNY as reported by County:

## **Dutchess County Medical Society Activities (DCMS)**

Nothing to report

### **Orange County Medical Society (OCMS)**

Nothing to report

### **Putnam County Medical Society (PCMS)**

- PCMS members are invited to participate in all activities of the WCMS. The president of PCMS, William Zurhellen, MD, is a regular attendee at WCMS Executive Committee and Board meetings.
- PCMS will hold its Annual Meeting at Primavera Restaurant on September 28, 2018. Moe Auster has been invited to give an update on MSSNY legislative efforts.
- The new PCMS website went õliveö back in June. All members and potential members are encouraged to use the site to obtain up-to-date information.

### **Rockland County Medical Society (RCMS)**

Nothing to report

#### **Westchester County Medical Society (WCMS)**

- WCMS Leadership has begun discussions with White Plains Hospital with regard to institutional membership. There is a potential for 600 new MSSNY members through this membership.
   WCMS leadership will continue to offer to attend meetings and discuss this with the medical staff in the coming months.
- On June 3, 2016, the WCMS hosted its Annual Meeting at the Westchester Country Club in Rye, NY. Over 130 people, including MSSNY Officers from Westchester, their spouses and guests were in attendance. Special guests included: Malcolm Reid, MD, President, MSSNY; Assemblyman Thomas Abinanti; Assemblyman David Buchwald; and William Mooney, President & CEO, Westchester County Association. Also honored was Dee DelBello, CEO & Owner of Westfair Communications, Inc. as a õFriend of Medicineö for her ongoing strong support and fundraising efforts for the medical community and the patients of Westchester County.

- The following physicians were elected Officers of the WCMS for the 2016-17 Association Year:
  - Gino Bottino, MD, President
  - Marshal Peris, MD, President-elect
  - Omar Syed, MD, Vice President
  - Howard Yudin, MD, Treasurer
  - Daniel Gold, MD, Secretary
- On Thursday, October 6, 2016, the Westchester Academy of Medicine will host its Annual Golf
  Outing and Fundraiser at Westchester Country Club in Rye. This event is the primary fundraiser
  for the Academy in support of its CME Program and philanthropic efforts.
- In his capacity as the 9th DB Councilor, Dr. Lee has also reached out to Executive Directors of each county in the District individually regarding potential of any further collaboration with MSSNY and potential membership enhancement and recruitment efforts.
- On Sunday, September 25, 2016 the WCMS in conjunction with the Putnam County and Orange County Medical Societies will host a legislative breakfast at the C.V. Rich Mansion in White Plains, NY. All New York State Senate and Assembly candidates have been invited to participate, along with all of the members from the above-mentioned counties. Our moderator for the event will be Dr. Louis McIntyre, as the Chair of the WCMS Legislative Committee. The legislators and their challengers will have time to interact with our members and guests before a Q&A period of 15 minutes for each. All questions will be submitted before or at the event, and will be presented by the moderator. All counties in the 9<sup>th</sup> district were invited to participate.