## MSSNY Council Report Joshua M. Cohen, MD, MPH, Councilor Manhattan and the Bronx November 3, 2016

## **New York County Medical Society**

- É The Society continues to help members, including with detailed FAQs on MACRA/MIPs and other practice issues.
- É The Society is planning several programs in the fall, including a look at the markets in October and postóelection predictions, and a tax issue session in November. In December and January, sessions are scheduled on Medicare and billing and coding concerns.
- É The Society put on a final push asking all members to contact the Governor and sign eóprescribing legislation. New York County is grateful for the work of the Government Affairs Division in Albany on the eóprescribing legislation.
- É The Society continues to work on benefits for members and is helping members with PEO options and investigating practice marketing options.
- É The Society and MSSNY & Membership Division launched an experimental recruitment campaign for Manhattan on Facebook, and will be evaluating the success of this targeted effort.
- É The Board has been particularly interested in the details of the sale of MLMIC to Berkshire Hathaway and continue to examine developments in this area.

## **Bronx County Medical Society**

É **Sunday, September 11, 2016,** we held our Annual Membership Assembly/Expo, Auction & Gala at the Marina del Rey in the Throgs Neck Section of the Bronx. The Marina is on the waterfront overlooking the East River, between the Whitestone & Throgs Neck Bridges.

Sumir Sahgal, MD, Master of Ceremony, *called for a MOMENT OF SILENCE IN HONOR* of the 2,977 lives that were lost 15 years ago. We will never forget...We also thanked the many physicians who were called to duty that day.

We honored of our immediate past President **Shervin Mortazavi**, **MD**. We also honored two very special physicians. **Jerome Levy**, **MD** was called to the podium. Doctor Sahgal read the 50 year MSSNY Citation to Doctor Levy who reached a milestone in his medical career. Malcolm Reid, MD, MSSNY President presented this to Doctor Levy.

In addition, we surprised **Anthony A. Clemendor, MD** with a very special award in recognition of his unparalleled leadership in the Medical Community. For years, he has been a tremendous help to the members of the Bronx County Medical Society.

With the presentation of these award, the Bronx County Medical Society Strives to Encourage and Stimulate the Highest Standards of Integrity

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Our mission and vision is to engage actively, with the Community, in the Preservation and Improvement of Public Health and to Foster Contact, Collegiality, and Collaboration among Members and within our Community

2016 marks 102 years of service to the Bronx Community. New York State Senator Gustavo Rivera was in attendance. He has been a long time friend of Bronx County Medical Society. He was introduced by MSSNY President Malcolm Reid, MD as well as many of our guests of honor.

We published our annual Souvenir Journal in recognition of our past president and SBH Health System, celebrating 150 years of service to the Bronx. They were Platinum Sponsor for this event. At the dinner we acknowledged and awarded a Certificates of Appreciation to Medical Liability Mutual Insurance Company (MLMIC) for its continued support/sponsorship of our society. Doctor Kira Geraci, Member of the MLMIC Board of Directors, and Speaker of the MSSNY House of Delegates, accepted the award. Our Preferred Insurance Company, Charles J. Sellers & Co., Inc. & SBH Health System was also awarded Certificates. By far this was the most impressive event. The food & service was outstanding and a good time was had by all.

É Wednesday, September 21, 2016 we held the Inaugural Meeting at Portofino's Restaurant City Island, Bronx, NY 10464.

Shervin Mortazavi, MD, Immediate Past President, called this meeting TO ORDER & õPASS THE GAVELÖ TO President, David Jakubowicz, MD, who outlined his goals and promoted membership in our society. We welcomed our new officers and new members. After a brief executive session we presented an education program which was very well received. The meeting was *Sponsored by: Boston Scientific Neuromodulation* and the *Speaker was Brent LaBiche*. Special Thanks\_to **Doctor Uel Alexis and Doctor Adolph Meyer**, who introduced this group to our society