

Medical Society of the State of New York

Report of the 9th District Branch

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

Below is the Report of Activities within the 9th District Branch of MSSNY as reported by CMS:

Dutchess County Medical Society Activities (DCMS)

- The Dutchess County Medical Society (DCMS) will be hosting a dinner seminar on September 10, 2016 at Joseph's Steakhouse in Hyde Park, NY. DCMS will be working with David Lambert (a former county executive) of Morgan Stanley Financial Wealth. The event will be free to all member-physicians with an additional incentive to bring non-members. In addition, we will be offering a domestic violence training from the local advocate group. Also, the Director of Public Health Planning, Education & Emergency Preparedness, will speak on behalf of the Department of Health and will present a program on Emergency Preparedness and the Medical Reserve Corps (MRC).
- DCMS new website has been fully integrated and updated and can be access several different options of CME, local updates, legal resources, and our newsletters.
- DCMS is working with local realtors to provide marketing opportunities within its newsletter, blast faxes, and websites.
- DCMS is recruiting new members for its pool of young physicians in the area to fill openings in its Executive Board.

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 held its Annual Meeting at Primavera Restaurant on September 28, 2016. In attendance were also Dr. Bonnie Litvack, 9th District President and WCMS Past President who gave an update on MSSNY ongoing legislative efforts.

Rockland County Medical Society (RCMS)

Nothing to report

Westchester County Medical Society (WCMS)

- On Sunday, September 25, 2016 the Westchester County Medical Society along with the Putnam County Medical Society and the Orange County Medical Society hosted a legislative breakfast at the C.V. Rich Mansion in White Plains, NY. We were joined by 30 medical society members along with 14 state senate and assembly members and their challengers from our districts. The legislators and the challengers were each given 10 minutes to speak, and were asked to address specific topics chosen by the committee prior to the meeting. This meeting was a success, and we would like to encourage more members from the 9th district to participate in the future.
- On October 6, 2016, the Westchester Academy of Medicine hosted its 7th Annual Golf Outing and Fundraising event at the Westchester Country Club in Rye, NY. Forty people enjoyed a beautiful day of golf, followed by a dinner and raffles afterward, where an additional group of people joined us for dinner. Mary Ellen Pilkington was honored with the "Friend of the Academy" award for her dedication and service to the Westchester Academy of Medicine in the past several years.
- On November 5, 2015, at 6:00pm the WCMS and the Bronx County Medical Society will co-host a Young Physician informational dinner with Charles J. Sellers & Co., Inc. at Gaucho Grill in White Plains, NY. All members and non-members under the age of 45 are welcome to attend.
- On November 17, 2016 at 7:00pm the Westchester Academy of Medicine and the New York Medical College Student Section will co-host our Annual Wine Tasting. This event is open to all NYMC Medical Students and all WCMS members. Our very own WCMS members will be sampling their wines for the tasting.
- On September 30, 2016 the Westchester Academy of Medicine CME program was reaccredited with commendation for a 6-year period. The Academy received a glowing review of its CME program, and was encouraged to keep up its good work and develop more directly sponsored CME programs.