SEVENTH DISTRICT BRANCH REPORT

October 2016

Since the last meeting of the MSSNY Council, the Seventh District Branch has been involved in the following issues and activities:

- Representatives from the Monroe County Medical Society met with an ABIM Medical Director, Richard Battaglia MD, to discuss issues related to the MOC and re-certification process.
- The MCMS Search Committee reviewed over 60 resumes as the executive director selection process progresses. Phone and in-person interviews are being conducted. The Committee expects to recommend a final candidate to the MCMS Board of Directors by the end of October. The current executive director will retire at the end of the year.
- MCMS continues to participate on the DSRIP FLPPS Clinical Committee, and the Monroe County Opioid Task Force.
- The MCMS Quality Collaborative continues work on creating community standards for discharge summaries and release of lab and radiology results to patient portals. Representatives from the University of Rochester Medical Center and Rochester Regional Health are among the active QC participants. The QC is also in the process of reviewing the MCMS Low Back Pain, Diabetes and Pediatric Preventive Guidelines.
- Phase 2 of the MCMS Knowledge to Action: Guideline Implementation project will involve the implementation of multiple guidelines concurrently. Immediate next steps include review of clinical variation and cost data by disease state in preparation for the selection of 2-3 guidelines to be implemented.
- MCMS spoke with the media regarding medical marijuana, vaping, cost of care, lactation services, primary care workforce, MCMS ED retirement, aging physicians, ICD-10 code payment issues
- MCMS continues to provide comprehensive practice management education.
 See upcoming programs below.

Upcoming MCMS Programs/Events

October 7, 14 Certified Medical Coder October 19 HIPAA Compliance Webinar

October 19 Technology Day –RHIO Patient Care Network, Telemedicine, Value

Based Payment/Technology Requirements

November 9 Health Care Reform

December 1 NYS DOH Updates on Controlled Substances