SEVENTH DISTRICT BRANCH REPORT

March 2017

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

- MCMS has been invited and participated in the first Regional Oversight Management Committee in the Finger Lakes region. The ROMC is intended to connect the state Advanced Primary Care model with regional needs and support primary care’s transition to value based payments.

- MCMS facilitated a collaborative elbow-to-elbow session with Wegmans Pharmacy and a PCP office so that Wegmans would be able to learn how their system processes impact physician experience with e-prescribing. Immediate changes were made and other optimizations were taken back by Wegmans.

- MCMS met with local legislators and staff. The future of healthcare and potential repeal of the ACA were among topics discussed.

- The MCMS Quality Collaborative continues to review and update community clinical guidelines. Recently updated are the Low Back Pain, Preventive Services for Children to Age 19, and Community Principle for Follow-up on Outpatient Testing, Laboratory, and Imaging Studies. The QC is also in the process of updating the Adult Diabetes Guideline, Adult Preventive Guideline, ADHD Guideline, and Prenatal Care Guideline, Pain Management Principles, and the Physician Communication Principles.

- Phase 2 of the MCMS Knowledge to Action project continues to move forward. The planning committee has reviewed multiple different analyses of several disease states that narrowed the field of guidelines to be implemented. The planning committee will next use the Guideline Implementability Appraisal (GLIA) tool to continue to narrow the field so that selection can be made.

- MCMS continues to participate on the DSRIP FLPPS Clinical Quality Committee. Clinical protocols for all 11 FLPPS projects were have been reviewed and are near finalization (CQC vote result is pending). MCMS continues to advocate for support of Physicians within the FLPPS funds flow model, voicing concerns with patient attribution models used to derive funding.

- MCMS spoke with the media regarding International Medical Graduates, high deductible health plans, the impact of the ACA on patients, and e-prescribing after 1 year of the mandate.
• MCMS continues to provide comprehensive practice management education. See upcoming programs below.

Upcoming MCMS Programs/Events
March 2    Community Resources for Physicians to Improve Wellness and Prepare for New Payment Models
March 15   Maintaining Medical Records Confidentiality
March 7, 8, 13, 17 Certified Medical Office Manager
April 5    Principles of Coding
May 17     Advanced Coding and Auditing Boot Camp
June (TBD) Controlled Substances
September 8, 12, 29 Certified Medical Coder and October 4, 11
Fall (TBD) HIPAA
Fall (TBD) Healthcare Reform
October 10 Transform the Front Desk Staff
December 7 Coding and Reimbursement Update 2018