1) **Welcome/Introductions:** The meeting was called to order.

2) **Adoption of Minutes:** October 27, 2017 accepted as written.

3) **Consideration for Committee Sponsorship of Three Resolutions:**
   a) **License to buy Alcohol** – The committee agreed that this resolution needs more work. The committee did not support this resolution.
   b) **Opioid Buy Back Program** – It was stated that receiving money would give an incentive for people to give back medication; however, there needs to be more research. The committee did not support this resolution.
   c) **SIF’s** – This resolution is being introduced by MSSNY’s Infectious Diseases committee. The Addiction & Psychiatric Medicine committee agreed to co-author this resolution.

4) **NYS Budget Governor’s Proposal:**
   a) **Medicaid provision:** There is a provision in the Article 7 bill that incorporates the chronic pain management guidelines for Medicaid patients. It states that a physician has to have a written treatment plan for the continued use of opioids. There were several points raised that Ms. Clancy agreed to bring up with the legislators.
   b) **Taxing of pharmaceutical companies that produced opioids:** This proposal has been strongly opposed by the pharmaceutical companies. MSSNY has stated that there has to be a certain amount of money set aside to ensure interoperability between the PMP and the physicians’ electronic medical records.
a) Marijuana Task Force to discuss legalization: MSSNY is opposed to the legalization of recreational marijuana. There was discussion regarding whether MSSNY could be on the task force if approved by the Legislature.

b) State of State proposals: The governor has proposed additional legislation including further limitations on pain medications for individual with chronic pain.

5) Medical Marijuana in NYS and US Attorney General Action: Ms. Clancy provided that committee with information regarding this matter.

6) S.6815-Meeting with Sen. Lanza and Assemblymember Cusik on March 7, 2018-MSSNY Legislative Day: MSSNY is opposed to this bill. It directs the commissioner of the DOH to promulgate rules and regulations promoting recovery from opioid abuse and reducing diversion of addiction medicine. Ms. Clancy stated that she thinks it is important to meet with both Senator Lanza and Assemblymember Cusik. Ms. Clancy asked that committee members accompany MSSNY staff to meet with them on March 7, 2018 on MSSNY’s Lobby day. Dr. Dowling agreed to try and attend the meeting.

7) Adjournment – Next meeting April 20, 2018