NASSAU COUNTY MEDICAL SOCIETY Councilor's Report – March 25, 2018 Paul Pipia, M.D., Councilor

As the last Councilor's report was submitted in anticipation of the Council meeting for March 6, there has been little in the way of new developments. However, we encourage all members to consider attending our Joint Membership Meeting as noted in Item III and invite anyone from MSSNY or the surrounding counties to join us.

- I The NCMS was disappointed that the MSSNY Lobby Day events had to be cancelled due to extreme weather conditions. We hope that the event can be rescheduled as it is a valuable tool in MSSNY & lobbying efforts.
- II The Nassau County Medical Society has drafted a Bylaws amendment to accommodate the swift and easy election of the candidates from the Large Group Membership initiative with the Northwell Medial Staff organization. This amendment will be presented to the Membership in March and voted on at the May Annual Meeting. We look forward to working with MSSNY to expedite the enrollment process.
- III The Society is has introduced several action and memorial resolutions to MSSNY for the House of Delegates in Buffalo.
- On March 27th, the NCMS/NAM Joint Membership Meeting will present a program by Ruskin Moscou Faltischek, PC on recent actions by the OPMC with regard to physician prescribing practices of opioids. This promises to be a very informative and educational presentation. All are welcome to attend. The meeting will be held at the <u>Westbury Manor at 7p with dinner</u>.
- V The Academy and the Long Island Gastroenterology Assoc. are working in collaboration to cosponsor regular meetings as a way but enhancing cooperative efforts and stimulating membership.
- VI Progress continues to be made with the sale of the Academy Building.