MSSNY Council – Alliance Report
May 10, 2018

The Alliance with the Medical Society of the State of New York met in Buffalo, along with the MSSNY Delegates in March. Among the items discussed at the Alliance meeting, was how to boost our membership and the participation of those who already belong. Like all volunteer organizations, the Alliance struggles with this and it has become a perpetual item on every meeting agenda. Younger spouses and partners of physicians either have young children or careers of their own or both, and don’t have the time to devote to volunteer work, even if it helps their physician spouse/partner. We are trying to find ways in which they can be involved that would be less time-consuming for them.

A second discussion, and equally important, concerned the Alliance’s political involvement with MSSNY. At its Annual Meeting, the Alliance voted unanimously to join MSSNYPAC at the President’s Circle level, and to make this a budget line-item for future years. In this way, we believe that the Alliance will best be able to serve MSSNY as it fights for legislation to protect our physicians and their patients.

Once again, the Alliance would like to extend a big THANK YOU to the members of MSSNY that supported our raffle that was held during the HOD in Buffalo. Together we raised $1320 in a single night during the MLMIC dinner. We thank you all for your generosity. These funds have been distributed to the Physicians’ Home, the Belle Tanenhaus Education Fund, the AMA Alliance AHEI fund and the AMA Foundation.

Last but certainly not least, the Alliance wants to welcome Dr. Tom Madejski as MSSNY President and we make ourselves available to help him in any way that we can during his term as President.

Respectfully submitted,

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2018-2019 Alliance Co-Presidents