

SEVENTH DISTRICT BRANCH REPORT

September 2018

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

- MCMS held the first annual Physician Appreciation BBQ with over 100 attendees.
- MCMS has continued to host monthly networking and social events with attendance averaging 25 physicians per event.
- Phase 2 of the MCMS Knowledge to Action project continues to move forward with clinical data coming in and baseline reports being reviewed with practices. Participants will receive MOC IV credit at end of project. The Quality Collaborative has reviewed and updated the following guidelines/principles: *Major Depressive Disorder, Management of Hypertension, Lung Cancer Screening, Prediabetes Care and Physician Communication Principles.*
- The Quality Collaborative *Home Care Agency and Physician Communication* subcommittee continues meeting monthly to work on a standardized community home care discharge document and maintaining a consistent level of effective communication between home care agencies and physicians.
- A *Physician-Pharmacy* subcommittee has also formed (July) and is meeting monthly to bring mutual concerns to the table for discussion, prioritize them and work toward resolution.
- MCMS spoke with the Media regarding depression screening in primary care, Medical Marijuana, Opioid prescribing, Potential impact of regulated marijuana, and the role of primary care in managing opioid use disorder.
- MCMS continues to provide comprehensive practice management education. See upcoming programs below.

Upcoming MCMS Programs/Events

September 11	Certified Medical Coder
September 25	ICD-10-CM Coding Update 2019
September 25	Billing for Mid-Level Providers
October 12	Grand Rounds: Providing Care for Transgender Patients
December 6	Coding & Reimbursement Update 2019
December 6	Effective Denial Management & Rejection Prevention