Draft Minutes
Medical Society of the State of New York
Heart, Lung, Cancer Committee
October 17, 2018
8 a.m. – 9 a.m.
Webex

Present
Robert Dracker, MD, Chair
Clauden Louis, MD, Co Vice Chair
Joanne, Cobler, MD
Raymond Lorenzoni, MD
Frank Dowling, MD
Janine L. Fogarty, MD. Asst. Commission

Absent
Brian Strizik, MD, Vice chair
Gino Bottino, MD
Clare Bradley, MD

Staff
Patricia Clancy, Sr. Vice President,
Public Health & Education, Managing
Director,Division of Governmental Affairs

1) Welcome

2) Pat Clancy reviewed information she had received. She did not receive anything on the essential behavioral changes. She did receive information from Dr. Strizek on the blood pressure categories and primary prevention of CVD in adults. There is a need to determine whether the frequency of screening is correct. From Dr. Bradley, information from the American Cancer Society - Breast Cancer Screening; Colon Cancer Screening and Appropriate Treatment; Cervical Cancer Screening and Appropriate Treatment. From Dr. Fogarty - she reviewed the Published Guidelines for Prostate Cancer Screening from various groups. The resolution that was put forth from the New York State Urological Society deviates somewhat from those guidelines. Since the committee has been charged with review of this resolution, she asked Dr. Philips to join the meeting to state the reason why they want to deviate from the US Preventive Services Task Force. He is not on the call at this time. From Bonnie Libers, Alliance, information regarding genetic screening with guidelines pertaining to breast and prostate cancer. Does the committee want to add to this? Or is the information regarding the guidelines adequate?

Talk about rewriting the opening statement. There has been discussion with MSSNY counsel that this looks like a directive to physicians. Language will be added with recommendations about these guidelines. Please review the amended text and see if it is acceptable.

Looking for help in the primary preventive of CVD in adult, because the recommendation is dated 2009, is there a recommendation from the 2018 clinical guidance that we can incorporate here? Dr. Louis has information he will forward. Pat asked if he had information regarding the primary prevention of stroke. Dr. Louis will look into that as well.

Need to review the information received on breast cancer screening. This info deviates slightly from MSSNY policy. Do we want to revise that policy or do we want to keep it?
Question: Do we have the guidelines regarding breast cancer screening from the American Academy of Radiology? They would be good to have. Dr Fogarty offered to provide those for the committee to review. The state requires mammograms for 40 and over be paid for by insurance companies.

Discussion Resolution 150 came before at the House of Delegates, regarding screening for prostate cancer. Physicians should have an informative discussion about the risk of prostate cancers with their patients at the age of 40. It is in line with the ACS recommendation. A decision needs to be made regarding whether or not this resolution is going to be incorporated into the policy.

Pat will wait to hear from Dr. Louis and Dr. Fogarty regarding the other two points and recommendations. Once she has that, she will send a copy that incorporates the new policy for everyone to review. Hoping to finalize this in January and send this back to MSSNY Council. The current policy was adopted by MSSNY Council and reaffirmed by MSSNY council in 2011. The committee should be able to forward this to Council in March.

Dr. Dracker had a question regarding the FDA approval for extending recipients for HPV vaccination. It now covers all women during child bearing ages. That would be essential to consider. The topic of adult vaccination has really come to the forefront.

3) Committee meeting dates for next year: January 23, 2019; May 1, 2019; October 16, 2019

Adjourned.