SEVENTH DISTRICT BRANCH REPORT

March 2019

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

- MCMS has continued to host monthly networking and social events with attendance averaging 35 physicians per event.
- MCMS presented to local ACO physician councils on the ability to offer MOC for Quality Improvement work.
- MCMS continues to serve in the community's System Integration Team co-chaired by Congressman Joe Morrelle. The goal of this multi-stakeholder group is to break down silos between Education, Health, and Community Based Organizations with funding from foundations and NYS.
- MCMS has been meeting with legislators whose district overlaps the 7th District Branch, working with MSSNY to modify language of an existing bill introduced by Senator Pam Helming to improve physician fee schedules in all care settings.
- MCMS/MSSNY's position on recreational marijuana was referenced by Assemblywoman Marjorie Byrnes during a radio interview.
- MCMS' Low Back Pain Guideline was featured in a two-part series by local news media, and cited by AAMSE in their CEO newsletter.
- MCMS leadership met with local business leaders to discuss ways to reduce variability in ERISA plans locally and improve the practice of medicine in Monroe County.
- MCMS continues to provide comprehensive practice management education.
- The MCMS e-discontinuation workgroup met to continue discussions of an integrated system for e-discontinuation with a focus on communication and change management.
- The MCMS Home Care Physician workgroup met to discuss standardization of the home care discharge summary being pushed to physicians as required by 2018 statue. The committee is also reviewing the script for verbal orders to the start of home care to standardize and throughout the regions 17 home care agencies.
- MCMS was interviewed by local media regarding telemedicine and acute low back pain treatment.