

# Medical Society of the State of New York

*Report of the 9<sup>th</sup> District Branch*  
April 14, 2019

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**The Medical Society of the State of New York's 9<sup>th</sup> District Branch is comprised of the following county medical societies: Dutchess; Orange; Putnam; Rockland and Westchester.**

Below is the Report of Activities within the 9<sup>th</sup> District Branch of MSSNY as reported by County:

## **Dutchess County Medical Society (DCMS)**

- The Dutchess County Medical Society (DCMS) is planning on having a membership dinner meeting with President/CEO of Health Quest Vassar Brothers Hospital Robert Friedberg, MD on April 16, 2019 at Shadows on the Hudson Restaurant at 6pm. We will be discussing the future of medicine in Dutchess County, including new hospitals, new medical college and new medical programs. We are welcoming all members and non-members and their spouse/partners. We already have 30 members signed up to join us.
- A dinner meeting will take place on May 2 sponsored by Legally Mine that will discuss recommendations for tax reductions, lawsuit prevention and license protection for member physicians.

## **Putnam County Medical Society (PCMS)**

- Putnam County members are invited to participate in all Westchester county activities and events.

## **Westchester County Medical Society (WCMS)**

- The final meeting of the 9<sup>th</sup> District Delegation to MSSNY was held on Tuesday, April 2 to prepare for the MSSNY House of Delegates meeting, April 12-14, 2017 in Tarrytown, NY. All 9<sup>th</sup> District Delegates were invited to participate in this meeting, where all of the resolutions presented this year were reviewed. Previous meetings of the 9<sup>th</sup> District were held on January 7, February 5 and February 19, 2019.
- WCMS had 13 members attend MSSNY Legislative Day on Wednesday, March 6. We were able to meet with several of our State Assembly and Senate members. Overall it was a successful day for those who attended.
- The Westchester County Medical Society and the Westchester Academy of Medicine recently sponsored the Annual Westchester Science and Engineering Fair. WESEF, the Westchester Science and Engineering Fair, offers high school students from Westchester and Putnam counties an opportunity to present their research to scientists, business leaders, and the general public. Students prepare a poster detailing their projects which, in most cases, have involved complex research conducted under the guidance of a professional researcher in their field of interest. Throughout the year WCMS and WAM raise scholarship funds for the top 3 winners in "Excellence in Medical Research" and "Future of Medicine" categories along with scholarship funds for 79 other 4<sup>th</sup> place winners. Each year the top three students are invited to present their poster along with their abstract at the WCMS/WAM Annual meeting on June 13 at the Westchester Country Club.

- WCMS/WAM Annual Meeting will be held Thursday, June 13, 2019 at the Westchester Country Club in Rye, New York. We have already secured several sponsors for this meeting, and will once again produce our souvenir journal.
- On March 12 Bonnie Litvack, MD; Phil Schuh, CEO MSSNY; Eunice Skelly, VP MSSNY and Janine Miller, ED WCMS attended the White Plains Hospital staff meeting at the Fenway Golf Club in Scarsdale, NY. At the meeting Dr. Litvack spoke and gave an update on the state of medicine in New York and informed the WPH staff on what the Medical Society State of New York is doing to advocate for physicians around the state. The talk was extremely well received and WPH will be considering an institutional membership with MSSNY/WCMS in the coming months.

**Rockland County Medical Society (RCMS)**

Nothing to report

**Orange County Medical Society (OCMS)**

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