

MSSNY THIRD DISTRICT REPORT

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- **MSCA ANNUAL MEETING:**
On Tuesday, May 28th, the Medical Society of the County of Albany is holding (held) its Annual Meeting at the University Club in Albany. The topic is the legalization of marijuana. Speakers include José David, M.D., Clinical Professor at the Albany Medical College and President-Elect of the Medical Society, and Luke Niforatos, Chief of Staff and Senior Policy Advisor of Smart Approaches to Marijuana (SAM).
- **BUPRENORPHINE WAIVER TRAINING:**
The Medical Society of the County of Albany is cosponsoring a buprenorphine waiver training program in conjunction with the Albany County Health Department offering 4.5 hours of category one CME credits. It is taking place on Saturday, June 1st, at the Albany Marriott on Wolf Rd., Colonie. It is a free program for Albany County physicians.
- **ALBANY MEDICAL COLLEGE RECEIVED STROKE STUDY GRANT:**
Albany Medical College has been awarded a \$2 million five-year grant from the National Institutes of Health's National Institute of Neurological Disorders and Stroke (NINDS) in support of research that may lead to new treatments for acute stroke. According to the CDC, stroke is the fifth leading cause of death for Americans and a leading cause of serious long-term disability. Each year in the U.S., stroke affects approximately 800,000 people, killing nearly 140,000 and leaving many others permanently disabled.
- **ST. PETER'S NEW TREATMENT:**
St. Peter's Hospital, part of St. Peter's Health Partners, has performed the first non-surgical intervention for deep vein thrombosis (DVT) in upstate New York using Inari Medical's ClotTriever and FlowTriever clot removal systems. These new devices allow vascular surgeons to remove large blood clots through a small opening, greatly reducing the risk of bleeding and shortening a patient's hospital stay.