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Fifth District Report to the MSSNY Council Meeting
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The Fifth District includes Cayuga, Chenango, Herkimer, Jefferson, Lewis, Madison, Oneida, Onondaga, Oswego, and St. Lawrence Counties.

I attended the AMA Annual House of Delegates in Chicago, IL from June 8-12, 2019. **Dr. Corliss Varnum was elected to the AMA Council on Science and Public Health. Congratulations to Dr. Varnum, who is from our district!** Dr. Thomas Madejski was re-elected to the AMA Council of Medical Service and Dr. Willie Underwood was elected to the AMA Board of Trustees. Congratulations to Drs. Madejski and Underwood as well. I also attended the June 26, 2019 Combined Annual Meeting - Oneida & Herkimer County Medical Societies. I also served as volunteer staff at the MSSNY booth at the New York State Fair on August 31, 2019.

Submitted by: Onondaga County Medical Society, Patricia Corasaniti, Office Manager:

The Onondaga County Medical Society Legislative Forum took place April 6. The event was well attended by legislators, physicians and medical students. We received positive feedback for the new format, and our Executive Council agreed that this format (versus a legislative breakfast) encouraged a more productive conversation, so we will do it again next year. MSSNY Outreach Rep. Brenda Van Nest came to Syracuse to help set up the event room and ran the audio visual (slide presentations) from her laptop, which was a big help. Thanks to Jen Wilkes and Moe Auster for supplying MSSNY handouts for the event.

Announcement - Erika Barry has started in the position of Executive Director of Onondaga County Medical Society. Ms. Barry graduated Summa Cum Laude from Vanderbilt University in Nashville, TN, and received her Master of Public Administration with a concentration in Nonprofit Management and Social Policy from George Washington University in Washington, DC. Ms. Barry most recently worked as Director of Business Expansion and Government Relations for Hillside Children's Center, Hillside Family of Agencies, and Hillside Work-Scholarship Connections. She brings solid leadership experience in all aspects of running a nonprofit, including lobbying and advocacy, operation, community outreach, evaluation, and communications, to the Onondaga County Medical Society.

Respectfully submitted,

Howard Huang, MD, Jefferson County, 5th District Councilor