# **Draft Minutes Committee for Preventive Medicine and Family Health** October 10, 2019 Via Webex

#### Present

Nina Huberman, MD, Co-chair Sarah Nosal, MD, Co-chair Sheila Bushkin, MD Frank Dowling, MD Geoffrey Moore, MD Emily Senay, MD Matthew Weissman, MD Jocelyn Young, DO Moshie Bressler, Student Beth Perenyi, Alliance

## **Excused**

Erick Eiting, MD, Vice Chair Art Fougner, MD, President Karen Geraci-Ciardullo, MD Roy Korn, MD

## Staff

Pat Clancy, Sr. Vice President, Public Health. and Education Maureen Ramirez, Admin Asst.

## **Absent**

Gail Burstein, MD Mustafa Kaakoor, MD Eugene Kalmuk, MD Joseph Maldonado, MD Janine Fogarty, MD, Commissioner Joshua Cohen, MD, Asst. Commissioner

- 1) Welcome
- 2) Minutes from May 9, 2019 Meeting approved
- 3) Climate Change Paper Status Drs. Moore, Eiting and Young will locate their sections and send them to Pat Clancy. Pat Clancy will put it all together for the full paper and forward it to the committee for review.
- 4) Elder Care Paper Status Development of this paper has been postponed.
- 5) Vaping and Flavored E-Cigarettes Pat Clancy gave the status on the ban of vaping products in New York State. The courts have issued a temporary restraining order on the ban of sale of vaping products issued by Governor Cuomo. MSSNY along with other public health organizations have joined in an Amicus Brief supporting the regulations. Committee discussion followed. More than half the recent illnesses have been attributed to people who vape black market marijuana products. There are additives that can't be controlled. More people vape flavored nicotine. Less than 1% of sales come from the plain tobacco flavored product. The NYS Commissioner of Health issued a health advisory not to vape. There have been no reports of the problems with

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any state issued medical marijuana. It was noted that menthol makes you inhale deeper so is more of an issue than the plain tobacco flavored product. Vaping in schools has become a large issue with manufacturers designing clothing with pockets to hide the vaping appliance.

6) Sunset Review – MSSNY reviews policies that are 10 years or older. These policies are referred to the committee that the policy pertains to. Each policy is reviewed and there are three options: reaffirm, reaffirm with modifications or sunset the policy because it is no longer relevant or has new policy that covers the same subject. The committee agreed to recommend the following:

PHE 10.969 Rumble Strips - Reaffirm with Amendment

PHE 85.964 Non-Alcohol Fatty Liver Disease – Reaffirm with Amendment

PHE 85.965 Use of Prefilled Insulin Syringes - Sunset

PHE 85.966 Use of Waiting Room Educational DVDs – Sunset

PHE 90.993 Latex Gloves - Affirm

PHE 227.997 Pharmaceutical Advertising – Sunset

PHE 260.920 Restoration of Funding for New York State Point Control System - Sunset

PHE 290.944 - Non-Wooden baseball Bats - Sunset

PHE 320.989 Decreasing the Incidence of Obesity and Negative Sequelae by Reducing the Cost Disparity between Calorie-Dense, Nutrition-Poor Goods and Nutrition-Dense Foods — Reaffirm with Amendment

- 7) Res. 111 House of Delegates Referral Discussion The committee will invite the sponsor of this bill to explain it. The resolution will go back to MSSNY Council by its March Meeting.
- 8) Matrix of Health Issues The matrix helps the committee to keep focus. Members should review the matrix and contact Pat Clancy to indicate their area of interest. The committee is hoping to add a child & adolescent psychiatrist to the committee. The matrix will be amended to show that Dr. Wetterau asked to step down from the committee due to other obligations. Committee members should be attentive to anything that might come up in their areas that should be brought to the attention of the committee.
- 9) 2020 Meeting Dates

All meetings on Thursdays between 8 and 10 AM February 6, 2020 May 14, 2020 October 29, 2020

Adjourned