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Draft Minutes
Committee on Quality Improvement and Patient Safety
Wednesday September 25, 2019
2pm via WebEx

Present

Willie Underwood, MD - Chair
Clare B. Bradley, MD – Co-Vice Chair
Julia Barber Faller, DO
Patricia J. Gagliano, MD
Victor Robert Klein, MD
Roy J. Korn, MD
Barry Rabin, MD

Excused

Brian Blaufeux, MD
Mustafa Kaakour, MD
Gregory L. Pinto, MD

Absent

Maria A. Basile, MD– Co-Vice Chair
Keisha Benn, MD
Akiva Andrew Dym, MD
Kenneth H. Eckhert III, MD
Samuel M. Gelfand, MD
Thomas L. Lee
Liana H. Leung, MD
John R. Maese, MD
Lawrence Aron Melniker, MD
John A. Ostuni, MD
Allen C. Small, MD
Charles E. Wiles III, MD
Arthur J. Wise Jr., MD

Staff

Moe Auster, Esq., Division of Government Affairs
Pat Clancy, Sr. VP. Public Health and Education
Michael A. Avella, Jr., Division of Government Affairs
Raza Ali, Division of Government Affairs
Becky Dawes, Division of Government Affairs
Maureen Ramirez, Division of Public Health

- 1) **Welcome** – Roll call of members and welcomed guests.
- 2) **Adoption of Minutes** – May 9, 2019 minutes approved.
- 3) **MSSNY Involvement in AMA Practice Transformation** – Dr. Rothberg spoke about physician wellness and burnout. Pat Clancy spoke about the “Steps Forward” program. There are three state medical societies that have implemented AMA’s practice transformation project and have identified practices/organization in those states program. MSSNY is putting together a CME program about physician burnout and suicide. Dr. Rothberg and Ms. Clancy spoke about a peer-to-peer program. Dr. Rothberg stated that this is a priority of MSSNY. Dr. Rothberg and Ms. Clancy discussed the MSSNY meeting with NYS Commissioner Howard Zucker, MD and Commissioner Zucker a further meeting on physician wellness. There were questions from committee members relating to peer support and shielding misconduct, and the physician shortage. Dr. Underwood stated that he was pleased that MSSNY has made this a priority and that this was important to the AMA.
- 4) **Presentation by the AMA on Practice Transformation Initiative** – Introductions of AMA Nancy Nankivil and Bernadette Lim. Introductions of staff and committee members. Nankivil talked about how the three state medical society became involved the in project. She also spoke, about what research was shown about the prevalence of burnout. While the national burnout survey

21 is now under 50% more needs to be done. Ms. Nankivil said that there are three states
22 participating in the programs Washington, North Caroline, and New Jersey. She also discussed
23 and answered questions about the Mini Z survey. She indicated that once the medical society
24 identified organizations to adopt practice transformation, that there would be a series of
25 interventions such as webinars, coaching calls and virtual community. The expectations is that
26 organizations would attend a bootcamp in Chicago possibly in late March or early April. Pat
27 thanked Ms. Nankivil and Ms. Lim for joining and explaining the program. A following motion
28 was made by Dr. Underwood has made a recommendation to support the AMA Steps Forward
29 program. Committee members unanimously supported the resolution. The following resolution
30 would be presented,
31 RESOLVED, that the Medical Society of the State of New York become involved in the American
32 Medical Association's Practice Transformation Initiative and that it seek appropriate sources for
33 this endeavor.
34 It will go to the MSSNY Council on November 7, 2019 as an action item.

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36 5) **2020 Meetings** – January 15, 2020 & April 8, 2020