

# **County Federation Report**

Executive Representative

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- The struggles and concerns with the Workers Compensation application process continues among the majority of the County Medical Societies. Many problems have come to light with the changes made by the State and the ability to bypass the counties after a period of time (in effect taking away the Counties ability to properly handle applications). Another major concern is that health system entities are directly negotiating with the State Board to streamline the application processing. We appreciate MSSNY's support and invitation to be a part of ongoing conversations.
- The Federation would like to express our gratitude and congratulations to both Phil Schuh and Eunice Skelly. With their support, guidance and encouragement, the Counties have been developed and shaped to stand as they are currently. Our Medical Societies would not and will not be the same without them.
- We would also like to thank Dr. Litvack and the MSSNY Membership Committee for their direction in the member retention campaign. In addition to this we look forward to understanding the overall strategic outlook and modeling for membership (including dues structures, marketing, etc.). We hope to work collaboratively as this larger strategic plan is developed.
- With the recognition to keep our County Executives safe and prevent any possible spread of Covid, this year's Executive Director's Conference, originally scheduled for the first week of October, has been postponed. We especially thank, Nassau County Executive, Stavroula Savelidis, for all of her work and the arrangements and re-calibrations that were necessary.