



The Medical Society of the County of Queens  
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## **Councilor's Report – June 2021**

### **Society Highlights**

- **Elections** - The 2021-2022 annual elections took place from May 1, 2021, to May 14, 2021. Polls were closed at 5:00 PM. All bonafide members which portions of their dues were paid as of February 1, 2021, and with an active e-mail, received their electronic ballots. Total ballots sent out 947.
- **Annual Meeting** – The Society held its Annual Meeting via Zoom on Wednesday, May 19, 2021. The meeting was attended by the members of the Society and the newly elected officers. The leadership of the Society wants to thank the Medical Society of the State of New York (MSSNY) representatives:  
Joseph R. Sellers, MD, FAAP, FACP, MSSNY President  
Bonnie Litvack, MD, MSSNY Immediate Past-President  
Parag Mehta, MD, MSSNY Preident-Elect  
Troy Oechsner, Esq, MSSNY VP & Chief Financial Officer  
Also, C. Prasad, MD, Kings President, Steven Kaner, MD, Kings Past-President, Liz Harrison, Kings Executive Director, and other distinguished guests.

During the meeting, Louis J. Aguste, MD, BOT Chair, recognized Arthur C. Fougner, MD, MSSNY Past-President, MSCQ Trustee & Past-President, for his work and the many years of dedication as the MSCQ Trustee.

### **The New 2021-2022 Officers are :**

President – David A. Fishman, MD  
President-Elect - Joseph T. Cooke, MD  
Secretary - Ayman Z. Attia-Alla, MD  
Assistant Secretary - Erik Blutinger, MD  
Treasurer - C. S. Lopresto, DO  
Assistant Treasurer – S. Spadafore, MD  
Historian - Leah S. McCormack, MD  
Archivist – S.J. Skeivys, MD

### **Farewell Remarks by:**

David Vilabrera, MD, Immediate Past-President 2020-2021

### **Inaugural Remarks BY:**

David Fishman, MD, President 2021-2022

- **The Bylaws Committee News** – The Bylaws and Constitution changes, approved by the MSSNY Council in April, were part of the May 2021 ballots sent to all members of the MSCQ. The membership adopted all the changes. A new copy of both documents will be uploaded to our website in the next few weeks.

### ➤ **MSSNY House of Delegates for 2022**

#### **Delegates**

Paul S. Aaronson, MD  
Louis J. Auguste, MD  
Rashmae Chardavoyne, MD  
Fred S. Fensterer, MD  
Lorraine M. Giordano, MD  
Liana H. Leung, MD  
Charles S. Lopresto, DO  
Sandhya Malhotra, MD  
Michael L. Richter, MD  
James E. Satterfield, MD  
Saulius J. Skeivys, MD  
Allen C. Small, MD  
Penny M. Stern, MD  
L. Carlos Zapata MD

#### **Alternates**

Fatima Hussain, DO  
Erik J. Blutinger, MD  
Sophia Spadafore, MD  
Jay D. Tartell, MD  
Richard A. Gasalberti, MD  
Max Lazarus, DO  
Gary J. Guarnaccia, MD  
Jaqueline Duarte Ramos, MD  
Sohayla Rostami, DO  
Usman Aslam, DO  
Stephanie Chian, DO  
Aime Mbaya Lufulwabo MD  
James J. Lee, MD  
Sharad N. Soni, MD

- **Social Media** - Beginning June 2021, we will be starting a Social Media campaign called “Physician’s Highlight,” which will feature our members, a brief bio, and their specialties. The campaign aims to highlight the talent and diversity of the doctors in Queens County and increase awareness for the Medical Society and the work it is doing. This work encompasses the interests of doctors and educates the public on current health issues and legislative relevant rules that influence the quality and costs of their healthcare.

For additional information, please contact Erik Blutinger, MD, or Moira Casey at [QMS@QueensMedicalSociety.org](mailto:QMS@QueensMedicalSociety.org)

- **The Bulletin** – Copy of all previous newsletters are accessible at <https://www.mscq.org/The-Bulletin>. The Society is currently accepting materials for their summer of 2021. Please e-mail [QMS@QueensMedicalSociety.org](mailto:QMS@QueensMedicalSociety.org) by **7.15.2021**.