

# **County Federation Report**

Executive Representative

September 23, 2021

Aaron Kumar, MD, MBA, Executive Director (Suffolk)

- The Federation would like to welcome the new MSSNY Director of Physician Payment & Practice, Heather Lopez, BSc., MSihm and the new MSSNY Vice-President of Membership, Valerie Cammiso, CAE. We look forward to their visions, communications, and collaborations on member focused initiatives.
- As the search for the best Association Management software (AMS) continues, we thank Mr. Oechsner, Ms. Nunez and the MSSNY leadership for the meetings, analysis, and their continuous involvement with the Federation. We appreciate the active considerations of the new system for the benefit of members and the effective administrative management that is essential for the State and County Medical Societies.
- The Executive Directors of the Federation met on June 2<sup>nd</sup> , July 1<sup>st</sup> , August 5<sup>th</sup> , and September 1<sup>st</sup> of 2021. The HOD, AMS search, resolutions, communications, and multiple other items were discussed that affect all counties and the members they serve.
- The Federation met virtually with Brenda VanNest on July 20, 2021 to discuss thoughts and best approaches when addressing group/ institutional memberships. We heard about the strategic objectives, action plans and a timeline into the flowing year.
- Many of the County Executive Directors joined the AMS demo presentation by Impexium on September 9, 2021 and have viewed the recorded video demo from iMIS. We thank Mr. Oechsner for the invitations and inclusion of the County perspectives.
- A follow up meeting with Dr. James Tacci, the Medical Director and Executive Medical Policy Director of the New York State Workers' Compensation Board will be made to discuss proposed changes and hospital physician's credentialing.
- In light of the changing regulations and in an abundance of caution the previously scheduled Executive Directors Conference planned during the 2021 HOD was postponed. We thank Nassau County Executive, Stavroula Savelidis, MS for all the organization and efforts on managing these changes.