

MSSNY Council Report
Richmond County Medical Society January 2022

The Richmond County Medical Society is continuing to change with the times. We continue to strive for a safer community. Our current president, Dr. Brian R. McMahon's platforms this year include - Covid Hesitancy, continuing telehealth & use of regular devices without using zoom, issues with insurance companies, developing a "safety campaign" to avoid accidental injuries for children, & to explore the idea of RCMS ACO (accountable care organization) to organize groups of doctors & hospitals to come together voluntarily to give coordinated high quality care to all medicare patients.

Our Goals are the same. We always look to increase participation of our current members, as well as educate physicians about our society with hopes of them joining. The Society will continue to promote the importance of organized medicine, and educate our members on current medical topics and determine alternatives to enable practices to further thrive in the community. The physicians of Richmond County embody the best of what our profession has to offer. We strive to provide excellent healthcare. We continue to pursue advances in medicine and to advance our knowledge, through ongoing educational programs. We have a strong belief in the importance of participation in organized medicine, as evidenced by the success of the Richmond County Medical Society.

UPDATES -

- Tackling Youth Substance Abuse (TYSA) is a data-driven collaboration aimed at leveraging the power of collective impact to decrease substance misuse and increase healthy choices for Staten Island's youth and young adults. This coalition seeks to increase opportunities to access quality prevention, early intervention, treatment, and recovery services on Staten Island to change the dialogue around behavioral health issues. We are honored to have a representative from this organization presenting at our January Comitia Meeting.
- We have selected our delegates for the 2022 HOD weekend. Dr. Radha Syed, Dr. Simon Kokkinakis, Dr. Melissa Grageda and Dr. Deborah Aanonsen will all be in attendance and our representation at the event.
- The Annual Past President Dinner/Meeting was held at the Hilton Garden Inn's Above on October 29, 2021. The event was the largest we've had with well over 100 people in attendance. We had 11 sponsors for the event and raised a significant amount of money for our organization. Our 6 award recipients were honored with very moving speeches and plaques. A wonderful evening was had by all.
- Due to physician scheduling conflicts we canceled our December Comitia meeting.

Respectfully submitted on 12/22/2021 by:

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