

**Draft Minutes
MSSNY Heart Lung Cancer Committee
February 2k 2022
Via zoom**

Present

Joshua Cohen, MD Commissioner
Janine Fogarty, MD Asst.
Commissioner
Robert Dracker, MD Chair
Donna D'Alessio, MD
Todd Demmy, MD
Amy Early, MD
David Fishman, MD
Alan Klitzke, MD
Timothy Korytko, MD

Absent

Clauden Louis, MD Co-vice chair
Clare Bradley, MD
Marco Lawandy, DO
Raymond Lorenzoni, MD

Lincoln Pao, MD
Julia Schaefer-Cuttillo, MD
Brian Strizik, MD
William Sellers, MD
Bonnie Liebers, Alliance

Excused

Francis Danquah, Student

Invited Guests

Bonnie Litvack, MD Immediate Past
President
Parag Mehta, MD President-elect

Staff

Pat Clancy, Sr. VP/Managing Director
Maureen Ramirez, Administrative Asst.

1) Welcome

2) Acceptance of October 6, 2021 minutes – accepted.

3) 2022 MSSNY HOD Sunset Review – Committee requested to do the Sunset Review on PHE 125,995 and PHE 260.918 via email asking for additional information. Pat Clancy will send out the information to the committee.

4) Presentation by Maureen Killackey, MD, NYS Department of Health's Bureau of Cancer and Early Detection Council – "Delivery of High Quality Cancer Care in NYS: Well kept Secrets?" copies of slides attached to minutes. Dr. Killackey recommended that the committee members download a white paper. The American Cancer Society produced a white paper titled: ACS Guide on Safely Resuming and Promoting Cancer Screening During the COVID 19 Pandemic. Dr. Killackey recommended that you download:
<https://www.acs4ccc.org/effectively-messaging-cancer-screening-during-the-covid-19-pandemic>
you will find messaging, education identifying disparities, overcoming barriers, fact sheets and guidelines to assist you. Many cancer screening centers signed up for the initiative "Return to Screening". There has been a NYS Action team created to focus on survivorship. Survivors are seriously missing follow up treatment for their physical needs and their psycho-social needs. There is an inconsistent level of care

24 between a patients' primary physician and the oncologist. George Washington
25 University has a Cancer Survivorship e-learning series **bit.ly/PCPE-Learning**
26 Each module includes: a survivor interview, narrated presentations, pre and post
27 assessments, list of resources and one hour CME/CNE per module.
28 There was a survey sent to 60 cancer centers across the state. Of the 60 – 55
29 responded. We asked them to inventory what they are doing in their hospitals to
30 and in their region regarding cancer survivorship. Sharing patient care between the
31 oncologists and primary care physicians. The NYS DOH Department of Cancer and
32 Early Detection Council has cancer physicians from across that state and many
33 different organizations. We do not have one primary care physician working with
34 us. We would love to have a member of MSSNY on our board. Dr. Korytko from this
35 committee is the Director of Survivorship at Bassett Healthcare. Dr. Fishman
36 pointed out that things are being done through MSSNY. There have been talks on
37 HPV, Colorectal Cancer screening and then next month Lung Cancer screening.
38 Someone suggested "cluster screening". If someone goes in for their colonoscopy,
39 that would be the time to do the lung screening, or the mammogram. Further,
40 there was discussion of the under utilization of the PET CT in screening and
41 diagnosing. THE NCCN came out with a new study and recommends PET CT as the
42 best diagnostic test. The comment was made that it's because the insurance
43 companies won't allow it. The PET CT will allow patients to avoid operations that
44 they don't need and it's been argued all the time. Do we need MSSNY to take up
45 advocacy for PET CT's as a needed screening method. Should there be a resolution
46 to MSSNY Council or the House of Delegates. Perhaps if there was significant
47 evidence presented that it would save money in the long run, the insurance
48 companies might be swayed.
49 Dr. Draker suggested that this be further discussed with the committee, so a
50 cogent resolution or recommendation can be prepared. There is no MSSNY policy on
51 this at this time. Dr. Fishman indicated he would be happy to lead the charge on
52 this. Including genetic testing as well. Women's health care would be dramatically
53 improved with this enhanced testing.

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55 Dr. Draker indicated that there were several actionable topics that this committee
56 should work on for the May 4th meeting. He will be in touch with Pat Clancy about
57 these topics. He encouraged all committee members to reach out if there was
58 anything else they would like on the agenda for May 4, 2022.

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60 **Next Meeting: May 4, 2022**

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62 **Adjourned**
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