

Suffolk County Medical Society
Councilor's Report
June 23, 2022
Daniel Choi, MD, Councilor

- Maria Basile, MD, MBA presented at the May 4, 2022 AARP/LI Health Collaborative “Talk with a Doc: Health Benefits of Walking” Webinar. We hope to have an ongoing relationship with these organizations and have more physician input on the local community.
- The SCMS Executive Committee met on May 4, 2022. As the last Executive committee meeting before the annual meeting, the committee discussed the nominees for our new officers, the ballots, the May 21, 2022 MSSNY HOD, our Suffolk delegation, and membership. The SCMS/SAM Annual meeting is scheduled for June 16, 2022.
- On May 4, 2022 several member physicians joined us in person to review the SAM Doctors of Tomorrow applications and selected scholarship and essay award winners.
- On May 9, 2022, SCMS President, Maria Basile, MD, MBA presented the value of membership at the Long Island Community Hospital’s virtual Medical Staff meeting. The support from medical staff members after the presentation spoke in great favor and continued relationship with the medical society. We also thank Ms. Heather Lopez for joining and sharing insurance hassle management and MSSNY’s support of the local physicians.
- The Charles Hospital Medical staff met on April 25, 2022 and discussed their continued membership with the medical society. A call with their new medical staff president reveled the challenges the medical staff face and the cost burdens to them. Discussions are ongoing.
- The SCMS/SAM quarterly Newsletter has been revived. There will be a digital version posted on the website and shared with all our members. The June edition will also be printed and shared at the annual meeting.
- The SCMS/SAM Annual meeting will be at Blackstone Steakhouse on June 16th. We will welcome our newly elected officers, award scholarships, honor physicians service over 50 years in Suffolk, and much more.
- Members of SCMS had significant roles in this 175th Anniversary HOD meeting of the AMA, including our Councilor, who was part of a panel discussion for the Independent Private Practice Section. He and other Delegates from Suffolk County testified to support Resolutions that were authored in New York, some in Suffolk County, passed as policy at MSSNYHOD, then brought to the AMA for national consideration.
- Special thanks to our NY Delegation to the AMA from SCMS: Charles Rothberg, MD - Delegation chair; Frank Dowling, MD; Maria Basile, MD, MBA; Stephen Coccaro, MD; and Dan Choi, MD.
- The SCMS Executive Committee will meeting again in September.