

Report to Council

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Action Item

St. Charles Hospital Membership

BACKGROUND

Starting in 2011

- Mather/St. Charles shared an organizational membership.
- Representatives from Suffolk County Medical Society (SCMS) established and maintain the relationship.
- Suffolk County handles their own invoicing and collections.
- Mather/St. Charles each paid a fixed dues amount of \$92,750 (\$175,000 total) directly to Suffolk County for both MSSNY and Suffolk County dues. The amount is fixed and not charged per physician.
- MSSNY did not have points of contact and was not involved in the dues billing.

Through 2021

- Mather/St. Charles were billed quarterly by Suffolk County.
- Mather was billed and paid in 2 quarters per agreement.
- St. Charles was billed for 2 quarters as agreed, but still owes \$33,750. Broken down St. Charles owes MSSNY \$11,593.75 and SCMS \$10,281.25 for 2021.
- Based on the 844 physicians who were members in 2021, both Mather and St. Charles paid \$207.35 per physician. The staff is growing and the cost per member is going down.

Beginning in 2022

- Mather was acquired by Northwell.
- St. Charles was acquired by Catholic Health.
- Mather paid BOTH Q1 & Q2. Still owed are Q3 & Q4 payments. No updated roster was submitted.
- St. Charles submitted a 2022 roster but no payment.

Moving Forward

- We need to decide what to do moving forward.
- All individual members who hadn't paid 2022 dues were dropped at the beginning of April.

ISSUE

St Charles Hospital in Arrears

As of 10/12/22 the following amounts are owed:

| | 2021 | 2022* | Total |
|--------|--------------------|--------------------|---------------------|
| MSSNY | \$ 17,887.50 | \$46,376.00 | \$64,263.50 |
| SCMS | \$15,862.50 | \$41,124.00 | \$56,986.50 |
| Totals | \$33,750.00 | \$87,500.00 | \$121,250.00 |

*SCMS agreed to quarterly payments.

Note: 2023 billing begins October 14, 2022.

POTENTIAL SOLUTIONS

Actions

1. Drop St. Charles Hospital 569 physicians from the membership for nonpayment of dues. They may rejoin for 2023 if they pay in accordance with the Bylaws: "Annual dues are due and payable on the first day of January each year."
2. Forgive 2021 dues and require immediate payment of 2022 or be dropped within 15 days.
3. Forgive 2021 and 2022 dues and require upfront payment for 2023.

Excerpts from MSSNY Bylaws

ARTICLE II - MEMBERSHIP

Section B - Privileges

A member of the Medical Society of the State of New York who is in arrears for component county medical society dues and State Society dues or assessments shall not be eligible for any office or delegacy or be entitled to vote.

ARTICLE III - DUES

Annual dues are due and payable on the first day of January each year. The dues year shall coincide with the calendar year, January 1 to December 31.

Any member, except a member who is eligible and has applied for life membership, whose component county medical society and Medical Society of the State of New York dues are unpaid after February 1 of any current year or whose assessments are unpaid by the specified time is not in good standing and shall be deemed to be in arrears.

A member whose dues are unpaid after March 1 of any current year or whose assessments are unpaid one month after the specified date may be dropped from the roles of membership of his component county medical society and the Medical Society of the State of New York upon reasonable notice to such member by his component county medical society or the State Society. In the case of nonpayment of dues, the reasonable notice to be provided shall commence on February 1, or as soon as possible thereafter, upon the determination that such member is in arrears.

Dues and State Society assessments of a member elected or reinstated after October 1 shall be credited to the succeeding year, but no member dropped for nonpayment of assessments shall be reinstated until he has, in addition, paid his assessments for the year in which he was dropped.

Upon reinstatement to membership, the period of time in which membership had been dropped shall be considered a lapse in consecutive years of membership for the purpose of determining eligibility for life membership in accordance with Article II, Section A, paragraph 9 of these Bylaws unless the reinstated member in addition pays the dues and assessments that accrued during the period in which membership had been dropped, in which case it shall

be deemed that there was no lapse in consecutive years of membership for the purpose of determining eligibility for life membership.

.... The dues structure for members who are enrolled through group or institutional membership agreements shall be subject to the approval of the Council, Board of Trustees and participating county medical society(ies).

2022 Cost of a Member

2022 budgeted expenses divided by members = cost per member

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| \$ | 6,813,573 | Total Budgeted Expenses |
| ÷ | 13,256 | Dues Paying Members |
| \$ | 514.00 | Cost per member of running MSSNY |

2022 budgeted dues revenue plus non-recurring, non-dues revenue, divided by total dues paying members.

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| \$ | 2,400,000 | Total Budgeted Dues Revenue |
| + | \$ 713,367 | One time PPP Federal Grant (Not available after 2022) |
| + | \$ 100,000 | Empire Services |
| ÷ | 13,256 | Dues Paying Members |
| \$ | 242.41 | Average received per member for running MSSNY |

Expected 2022 difference between expense and revenue

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| \$ | 514.00 | Cost per member of running MSSNY |
| \$ | (242.41) | Average received per member for running MSSNY |
| \$ | 271.59 | Difference between expense and dues receipts |

As of 8/30/22 these members were not required to pay dues

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| 1,711 | Students |
| 3,927 | Life |
| 10 | Dues Remission |
| 5,648 | Total Non-Dues Paying Members |