

Suffolk County Medical Society
Councilor's Report
November 3, 2022
Daniel Choi, MD, Councilor

- We thank our former health commissioner and current International Medical Committee Chair, Dr. James Tomarken for his presentation on International Health Work on September 13.
- SCMS held a social networking event on September 23rd to highlight the medical society and thank the physicians in our Suffolk community. We thank Dr. Ramin Rak and his family for opening up their home for this event. It was well attended by several non-member physicians, medical students, legislators, and key leadership at several institutions. There were great conversations on the wrongful death legislation, physician wellness/ peer to peer support, greater communications with non-member institutions, student programs across Counties, etc. The event was a great steppingstone for engagement directly with influential leadership.
- The new Fall Newsletter is available both in print and [digital formats](#). The next newsletter will come out in January. Print copies have been sent out to every hospital medical staff in Suffolk.
- We are engaging with Stony Brook Medical Students on multiple fronts including having a dedicated column in the newsletter for their thoughts and perspectives, developing a mentorship program, having them engage in our Academy's Doctors of Tomorrow program, and supporting programs that supplement their education on DEI and medical documentation. By engaging them on multiple fronts we hope to tie their involvement even as they graduate and new student leadership step in.
- We thank Onondaga County Medical Society and their Executive Director, Julie Panna for the October 5th Media Training 101 For Medical Professionals webinar.
- On October 19th, The Board of Directors met virtually. Discussed were updates from our Commissioner of Health, Dr. Greg Pigott, our hospital and society representatives, our Academy President, and our guest PA representative. We also discussed updates on MSSNY's efficiency strategies with membership categories and possible dues changes; Institutional membership rosters and dues; marketing and social media; our database; student engagement; and upcoming events.
- On October 21st, SCMS will participate in an Ovarian Cancer Forum, development and supported by Legislator Sarah Anker.
- Scheduled for November 7th, Moe Auster will share Legislative Updates to our members via Zoom. We are continually grateful for Moe and his team for the work they do.
- Our Doctor's of Tomorrow Symposium will be held on November 16th.
- The SCMS Executive Committee will meeting again on November 14, 2022.
- The SCMS Board meeting will be held in person on January 18, 2022