



## 7<sup>th</sup> District Branch Report January 2023

### I. **Advocacy:**

- a. Grieving Families Act/Wrongful Death Bill: MCMS continues to take proactive steps to encourage physicians, hospital systems, community leaders and families to veto this bill.
- b. Payer Reimbursement: MCMS has formed a “Payer Reimbursement” task force to address decrease in payer reimbursement.
- c. Advocacy Day 2023: in support of MSSNY’s Advocacy Day on Tuesday, 3/14/2023, preparations and communications are well underway.

### II. **MSSNY House of Delegates (HOD)**: preparations are underway for the 2023 HOD in Tarrytown, NY

### III. **Medical Scholarship Fund (MSF)**: the Medical Scholarship Fund of the Monroe County Medical Society continues its work by executing a strategic growth plan that includes:

- a. growing its Board of Trustees
- b. increasing donations to the MSF

### IV. **Membership**: continued efforts and focus on physician member retention and recruitment in 2023 through organizational membership and networking events.

### V. **Quality Collaborative**

- a. Medical Guideline Review/Updates: occur on a regular basis with up to 15 guideline reviews/year
- b. Quality Improvement (QI) Projects: continues the “Adolescent Behavioral & Mental Health Project. Three Cohort groups formed:
  - i. Cohort 1: 12-month project completed
  - ii. Cohort 2: halfway through the project
  - iii. Cohort 3: launched in 4Q’ 2022

### VI. **Physician Wellness Committee**: led by Dr. Michael Privitera, Co-Chair, MCMS and Dr. Kerry Graff, Rochester Regional Health (RRH), the Physician Wellness Committee seeks to support physicians and help promote wellness, address systemic issues affecting practitioners’ sense of wellness, and reduce the risk of physician burnout. The Committee seeks to work collaboratively with healthcare systems, payors, and other people or organizations to identify stressors, provide access to resources, and promote advocacy efforts to contribute to overall physician wellness.

### VII. **MCMS** continues to provide educational programs to its constituents monthly.