

Medical Society of the State of New York

Report of the 9th District Branch

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The Medical Society of the State of New York's 9th District Branch is comprised of the following county medical societies: Dutchess; Orange; Putnam; Rockland and Westchester.

Below is the Report of Activities within the 9th District Branch of MSSNY as reported by County:

- The 9th District Delegation held its first meeting on Wednesday, January 4, 2023. All details of the upcoming HOD were discussed along with several ideas for resolutions that the district will be working on. We will also be holding a new delegate meeting to discuss the process for the writing of resolutions and explain the proceedings of the House to any new delegates and anyone who feels they need further information. We have scheduled 3 additional district meetings in the coming weeks.
- WCMS will be hosting an event sponsored by Centerlight on January 26, 2023 at Crabtree's Kittlehouse in Chappaqua. We have opened the invitation to specific specialties within our membership.
- WCMS will be hosting a Zoom meeting for our members on February, 2, 2023 with Heather Lopez of MSSNY. She will give a presentation entitled "Payment & Practice Breakdown-How, Where, What, When and Why".
- WCMS has pushed out the opposition to the "Wrongful Death" bill that has been on the Governor's desk. We have sent the information and call for action via email, social media, and op-ed and via our medical staff hospital contacts.
- Dr. Thomas Lee presented to the medical staff at Phelps Hospital in December. He presented the information on the "Wrongful Death" bill, updated the staff as to what MSSNY has been working on recently, and reconnected with the staff. The goal is to reconnect with the staff there to show the value of MSSNY and open the door to further discussion about staff membership.
- Dr. Dan Gold presented to White Plains Hospital in December. He sent over the MSSNY facts sheet on the "Wrongful Death" bill and gave updates on other legislative items of concern. His plan is to attend any upcoming staff meetings to give regular updates. We are hopeful that reconnecting with the staff at the hospital to show value will reopen the conversation about staff membership, which stalled as COVID started.