

NOMINATING PROCESS

The election process is started in mid-July when the county medical societies and district branch presidents are contacted to request representatives for appointment to the **Nominating Committee**. The President of MSSNY is then provided with those nominations and the Nominating Committee is appointed according to the Bylaws Article XI, Section 2 which states:

The Nominating Committee shall be appointed by the president from a list of not less than three nor more than five names submitted by the respective district branches, in conformity with Article V, Section 2, paragraph 3. It shall consist of 11 members, 1 from each district branch and 2 members at large.

In the event that a member of the Nominating Committee who has been selected as the representative of a particular district branch (or an alternate) shall be unable to attend the meeting of this committee, the president shall appoint an at large member from the district branch whose representative is absent, to represent the interests of that district on the Nominating Committee. It shall be the duty of this committee to propose and nominate members of the Medical Society of the State of New York for all vacancies to be filled at the ensuing annual meeting of the House of Delegates. These recommendations shall be made to the House of Delegates in the same manner as prescribed in Article X, Section 1, paragraph 2:

Annual reports of officers, Council commissions and committees, Board of Trustees, Judicial Council, district branches, and special committees shall be printed at least one month before the meeting of the House of Delegates and sent to the members of the reference committees appointed according to paragraph 1, for their preliminary consideration.

The Nominating Committee selections of the President are then approved by Council at the November meeting.

Nomination of candidates for election as officers, councilors, trustees, and delegates to the New York Delegation to the AMA, are solicited in early June from county medical societies and district branches. Nominations are accepted until August 31 and a slate of candidates for each position to be filled is created.

This slate of candidates is considered by the Nominating Committee in January of the year in which the election is to be held. The results of that meeting are published as the **Report of the Nominating Committee** and become the ballot which is voted in the House of Delegates on Saturday (for Officers, Councilors and Trustees) and Sunday (for the New York Delegation to AMA).

REPORT OF THE MSSNY NOMINATING COMMITTEE
Joseph R. Maldonado, Jr, MD, MSc, MBA, DipEBHC, Chairman

To the House of Delegates, Ladies and Gentlemen:

The Nominating Committee held a meeting on Thursday, January 19, 2017. After careful consideration of the recommendations submitted by the district branches, county medical societies, the student, resident & fellow and young physicians sections, your Committee respectfully submits the following candidates for election on April 22 and 23:

Officers (Each for term of 2017-2018)

President	Charles Rothberg, MD, Suffolk
President-Elect	Thomas J. Madejski, MD, FACP, Orleans
Vice-President	Arthur C. Fougner, MD, Queens
Secretary	Frank G. Dowling, MD, Suffolk
Assistant Secretary	Sana Bloch, MD, Bronx
Treasurer	Joseph R. Sellers, MD, Schoharie
Assistant Treasurer	Mark Adams, MD, Monroe
Speaker	Kira Geraci-Ciardullo, MD, MPH, Westchester
Vice-Speaker	William Latreille, MD, FACP, AME

Councilors (Four for term 2017--2020)

First District	Joshua M. Cohen, MD, New York
First District	Parag H. Mehta, MD, Kings
Fifth District	Howard H. Huang, MD, Jefferson
Seventh District	Janine Fogarty, MD, Monroe

Resident and Fellow Section Councilor, (One year term 2017-2018) . Justin M. Fuehrer, DO, Queens
Medical Student Section Councilor, (One year term 2017-2018) . Pratistha Koirala, Bronx

Trustees (One Five Year Term 2017-2022) . Joseph R. Maldonado, MD, MSc, MBA, Oneida

Delegates to AMA – Term of Office January 1, 2018 through December 31, 2019

Mark J. Adams, MD, Monroe
Jerome C. Cohen, MD, Broome
Joshua M. Cohen, MD, New York
Frank G. Dowling, MD, Suffolk
Robert Frankel, MD, Kings
Kira Geraci-Ciardullo, MD, Westchester
Howard Huang, MD, Jefferson
David Jakubowicz, MD, Bronx
John J. Kennedy, MD, Schenectady
Daniel J. Koretz, MD, Wayne
William R. Latreille, Jr., MD, AME, Franklin
Thomas J. Madejski, MD, Orleans
Joseph R. Maldonado, Jr., MD, MBA, DipEBHC, Oneida
John Ostuni, MD, Nassau
Gregory Pinto, MD, Saratoga
Abdul Rehman, MD, Kings
Charles Rothberg, MD, Suffolk
Richard P. Vienne, DO, Erie

The, resident physician member, Moustafa O. Elsheshtawy, MD, Kings County, as full delegate, and the medical student member, Breyen Coffin, Bronx County, as an alternate delegate, will serve on the New York Delegation for one year only (2018).

FLOOR NOMINATIONS – RULES AND PROCEDURE OF THE HOUSE OF DELEGATES

Any delegate who wishes to be considered for MSSNY office “from the floor” must:

1. Provide written advance notice of such intention and written support of candidacy from TEN(10) MSSNY HOD delegates by verified email, fax or letter to the Speaker's office at MSSNY headquarters no later than SEVEN days prior to the Meeting of the Committee on Rules, Credentials and Order of Business which meets Thursday before the opening of the House of Delegates.
2. Also comply with MSSNY policies 207.976 and 207.991 which require basic biographical information about a candidate as well as a vision statement.

207.991 Election of Officers for MSSNY

The Medical Society of the State of New York will make available to delegates the qualifications of those who are being nominated as officers and their vision for MSSNY. (HOD 2011-218)

207.976 Informed Choices for MSSNY Elections

MSSNY will provide all voting members of the House of Delegates with the following information about candidates nominated for election to the Board of Trustees, the Council, Officers, and the AMA Delegation: Medical School, Residency/Fellowship, Specialty, Hospital Affiliations, Practice Setting, and Prior Experience in Organized Medicine.

MSSNY will provide candidates nominated for election to the Board of Trustees, the Council, Officers and the AMA Delegation the opportunity to provide a written statement for distribution to all voting delegates. (HOD 2015-209)

Given the extensive time delegates have to evaluate the nominating committee recommendations posted on the website, last minute nominations from the floor+just prior to the election do not allow sufficient time for voting members of the House to properly evaluate these candidates and their qualifications. These requirements are meant to allow adequate time for proper vetting of candidates and to substantiate some support for the candidate. It allows all candidates to comply with existing MSSNY policy.

These minimum requirements are fair and reasonable and are not an undue burden for any delegate who may be considering a nomination from the floor+and will improve the flow of activity in the House, allowing for appropriate and adequate time for consideration of these additional candidates and their qualifications. This rule streamlines the administration involved in creating documents and ballots which incorporate additional candidates.

Adopted HOD April, 2016