

## **2018 REPORTS OF OFFICERS & ADMIN MATTERS HOD ACTIONS**

### **200 – Health Care as Economic and Social Benefit**

*Introduced by the Membership Committee of MSSNY and the Suffolk County Medical Society*

#### **ADOPTED**

RESOLVED, the Medical Society of the State of New York oppose health care funding cuts that impose undue burden on both physicians and patients; and be it further

RESOLVED, the Medical Society of the State of New York -promote increased healthcare investment both for its social and economic benefits; and be it further

RESOLVED, that the Medical Society of the State of New York strive to educate the public and policy makers on how decisions on health care spending will affect the overall economy.

### **201 . Physician Health and Burnout Reduction**

*Introduced by the Third and Fourth District Branches*

#### **REFERRED**

RESOLVED, that the Medical Society of the State of New York (MSSNY) support the formation, expansion and continuation of programs that promote, maintain and/or foster physician health and help reduce physician abuse and burnout; and be it further

RESOLVED, that MSSNY undertake the necessary actions (e.g., grants, advocacy, legislation, study, funding) to ensure that programs supporting physician health and reduction of physician abuse and burnout become a permanent component of organized medicine; and be it further

RESOLVED, that MSSNY foster alliances with interested parties (e.g., lawyers, patients, insurers) to support the goal of ensuring that the practice of medicine functions optimally by maintaining physician health and reducing physician burnout and abuse.

### **202 -- MSSNY Approval of any Amicus Brief**

*Introduced by the Medical Society of the County of Queens*

#### **ADOPTED AS AMENDED**

RESOLVED, that any proposed MSSNY amicus, or proposed participation in any amicus brief by MSSNY, will require the approval of (1) the MSSNY Board of Trustees and (2) the MSSNY Council or Executive Committee.

**203 – MSSNY Committees as a Member Benefit**

*Introduced by the Monroe County Medical Society and the Eighth District Branch*

**ADOPTED AS AMENDED**

RESOLVED, that MSSNY more prominently place on its website all relevant committee information allowing for use as a marketing tool to enhance the value of participation and membership throughout the State.

**204 . Free Membership to Medical Students and Residents**

*Introduced by the Monroe County Medical Society*

**ADOPTED AS AMENDED**

RESOLVED, That the Medical Society of the State of New York collaborates with County Medical Societies to ensure medical students do not pay for memberships.

**205 – Life Member Administration Fee**

*Introduced by the New York County Medical Society*

**ADOPTED AS AMENDED**

RESOLVED, That a pilot project be instituted such that Life Members of the Medical Society of the State of New York be charged a recommended voluntary administrative fee of \$100 a year to be divided equally between MSSNY and the county medical society.

**206 – County Medical Society Provisional Membership**

*Introduced by the Clinton County Medical Society*

**NOT ADOPTED**

RESOLVED, that the County Societies be allowed to offer a two year provisional membership without the requirement of membership in MSSNY; and be it further

RESOLVED, that said provisional membership would be available only to new members paying the customary county society dues; and be it further

RESOLVED, that said provisional membership would entitle the prospective member only to the benefits that flow from membership in the county society.

**207 – Introductory Memberships**

*Introduced by the Medical Society of the County of Queens*

**REFERRED**

RESOLVED, that our MSSNY offer introductory MSSNY memberships to new prospective members effective January, 1, 2019; and that a new introductory-member be defined as:

- someone who has not been a member of MSSNY in the previous five years;
- being entitled to a membership of one-year duration, terminating at the end of the year;

- a member who shall have access to all MSSNY publications and invitations as extended to all active members;  
-and a member who shall have voice but no vote; and be it further

RESOLVED, that the MSSNY dues for the introductory MSSNY membership shall be established in an amount the MSSNY BOT has determined to be fiscally responsible; and be it further

RESOLVED, that no negotiations or promises shall be made by MSSNY on behalf of any county for introductory county dues; and be it further

RESOLVED, that at the conclusion of the introductory membership, the individual shall be invited to become a full-dues paying member.

**208 . Pilot Program Memberships**  
*Introduced by the Medical Society of the County of Queens*

And

**211 . MSSNY Membership Privileges**  
*Introduced by the Medical Society of the County of Queens*

And

**213 . Creation of Strategic Plan**  
*Introduced by the Seventh District Branch*

**SUBSTITUTE RESOLUTION ADOPTED FOR 208, 211 AND 213**

RESOLVED, That the Medical Society of the State of New York continue to work with representatives of County Medical Societies in developing short, medium, and long-range plans which should include

- Membership growth initiatives
- Unified communications and member relations strategy
- County Medical Society collaboration strategies
- Fiscal sustainability strategies
- Recommendations for an equitable system of MSSNY membership dues and privileges

**209 . Creation of Standardized Group Membership Structure**  
*Introduced by the Seventh District Branch*

**ADOPTED AS AMENDED**

RESOLVED, That the MSSNY Membership Committee, Council and BOT continue their ongoing review and analysis of group membership policies and revise them as appropriate.

**210 . Equity in Dues**

*Introduced by the New York County Medical Society, the New York State Society of Plastic Surgeons and the New York Chapter of the American College of Surgeons*

And

**212 . Dues Equity**

*Introduced by the Medical Society of the County of Queens*

**ADOPTED AS AMENDED**

RESOLVED, That the long-term goal of the MSSNY is equity in dues for all members, and be it further

RESOLVED, That MSSNY review all pilot programs and ensure that they are conducted in accordance with the Bylaws; and be it further

RESOLVED, That the MSSNY Council report to the House annually on the status of all pilot programs.

**214 . County Dues**

*Introduced by the Medical Society of the County of Queens*

**NOT ADOPTED**

RESOLVED, that the MSSNY/County Northwell pilot membership program be cancelled, effective immediately.