



MASSACHUSETTS MEDICAL SOCIETY

INTERIM 2018 SCHEDULE AT-A-GLANCE

FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 30

MASSACHUSETTS MEDICAL SOCIETY HEADQUARTERS

Friday, November 30

6:00 AM	Gentle Movement Yoga Class (hosted by CYP)	<i>Wellness Room (2)</i>
6:30 AM	Registration Starts	<i>Conference Center Foyer (1)</i>
7:00 AM	Exhibits Open	<i>Atrium Lobby (1)</i>
	Reference Committee Breakfast & Orientation	<i>1781 Commons Dining Room (1)</i>
	Berkshire/Franklin/Hampshire District Caucus	<i>Middlesex (2)</i>
7:30 AM	Med Student & Resident/Fellow Section Caucus	<i>Plymouth (3)</i>
	Norfolk District Caucus	<i>Commonwealth (2)</i>
	Suffolk District Caucus	<i>Beacon Hill (1)</i>
9:00 AM	HOD Opening Session	<i>Auditorium (1)</i>
10:00 AM	MMS Alliance Meeting	<i>Executive Office Conference (3)</i>
	Reference Committee A	<i>Percy Wadman (1)</i>
	Reference Committee B	<i>Berkshire (1)</i>
	Reference Committee C	<i>Auditorium (1)</i>
	PIAM Clinic	<i>Norfolk/Norfolk South (3)</i>
11:30 AM	MMS Alliance Luncheon	<i>Executive Office Conference (3)</i>
11:45 AM	Poster Symposium Judges' Pre-Meeting	<i>Essex North (1)</i>
	Poster Symposium Lunch	<i>1781 Commons Dining Room (1)</i>
12:00 PM	HOD Luncheon	<i>1781 Commons Dining Room (1)</i>
12:30 PM	13 th Annual Research Poster Symposium	<i>Fenway (1)</i>
	<i>Official Break for Reference Committee Hearings</i>	

**GRAB & GO LUNCH/DRINK
AVAILABLE IN 1781
COMMONS DINING ROOM
FOR THESE MEETINGS:**

District Secretaries & Treasurers Meeting	<i>Beacon Hill (1)</i>
Women's Delegate Luncheon	<i>Commonwealth (2)</i>
New Delegate Orientation Lunch	<i>Auditorium (1)</i>

2:00 PM	Annual Oration	<i>Auditorium (1)</i>
3:00 PM	Networking Break	<i>Conference Center Foyer (1)</i>
3:30 PM	Ethics Forum: Health Care as a Basic Human Right	<i>Auditorium (1)</i>
6:30 PM	Minority Affairs Section Welcome and Celebration of Dr. John Van Surly DeGrasse	<i>Conference Center Foyer (1)</i>

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LIST OF EXHIBITORS

Massachusetts Medical Society Alliance

MMS Arts, History, Humanism & Culture Member Interest Network

Massachusetts Medical Benevolent Society

Massachusetts Medical Society and Alliance Charitable Foundation

MMS Committee on Information Technology

MMS Committee on LGBTQ Matters

MMS Committee on Nutrition and Physical Activity

MMS Committee on Senior Volunteer Physicians

MMS Health Policy and Public Health

MMS Membership Services

MA Responds/Stop the Bleed

NEJM Group

NEJM Group Education

Physician Health Services (PHS)

Physicians Insurance Agency of Massachusetts (PIAM)

Practice Solutions and Medical Economics (PPRC)



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SATURDAY, DECEMBER 1

WESTIN WALTHAM HOTEL

6:30 AM	Registration Opens	<i>Eden Vale Foyer</i>
7:00 AM	Berkshire/Franklin/Hampshire District Caucus	<i>Wellington</i>
	Finance Committee	<i>Lincoln East</i>
7:30 AM	Charles River District Caucus	<i>Cambridge</i>
	Essex North & South District Caucus	<i>Alcott</i>
	Hampden District Caucus	<i>Weston</i>
	Med Student & Resident/Fellow Section Caucus	<i>Wellesley</i>
	Middlesex District Caucus	<i>Belmont</i>
	Middlesex Central & North District Caucus	<i>Waltham Boardroom</i>
	Middlesex West District Caucus	<i>Thoreau</i>
	Norfolk District Caucus	<i>Lincoln West</i>
	Southeast Regional District Caucus	<i>Emerson</i>
	Suffolk District Caucus	<i>Livermore</i>
	Worcester & Worcester North District Caucus	<i>Concord</i>
9:00 AM	HOD Second Session	<i>Eden Vale Ballroom</i>
12:30 PM	Cotting Luncheon	<i>Concord</i>

Westin Wi-Fi

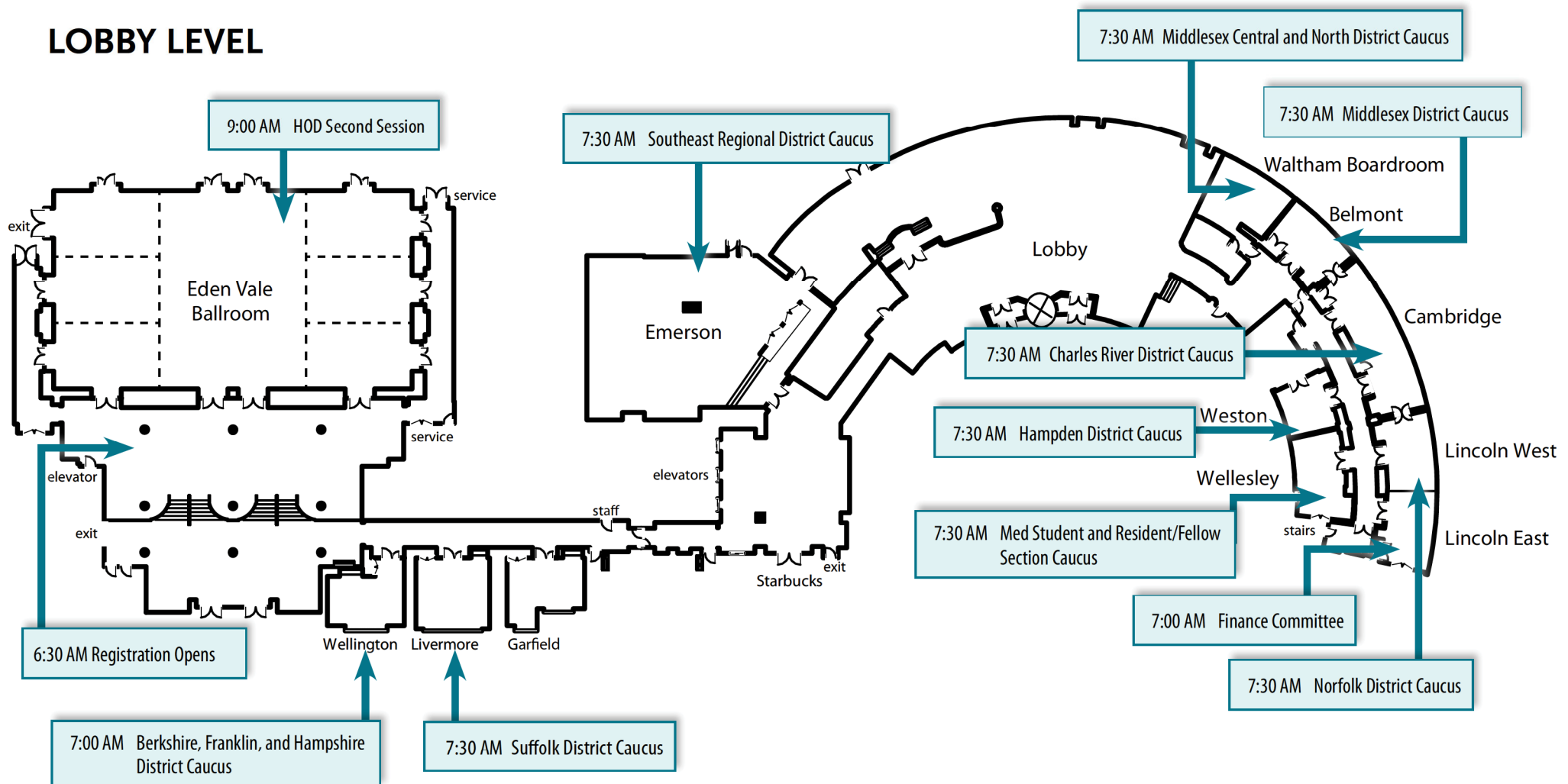
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MMS INTERIM MEETING

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 1, 2018 | WESTIN WALTHAM

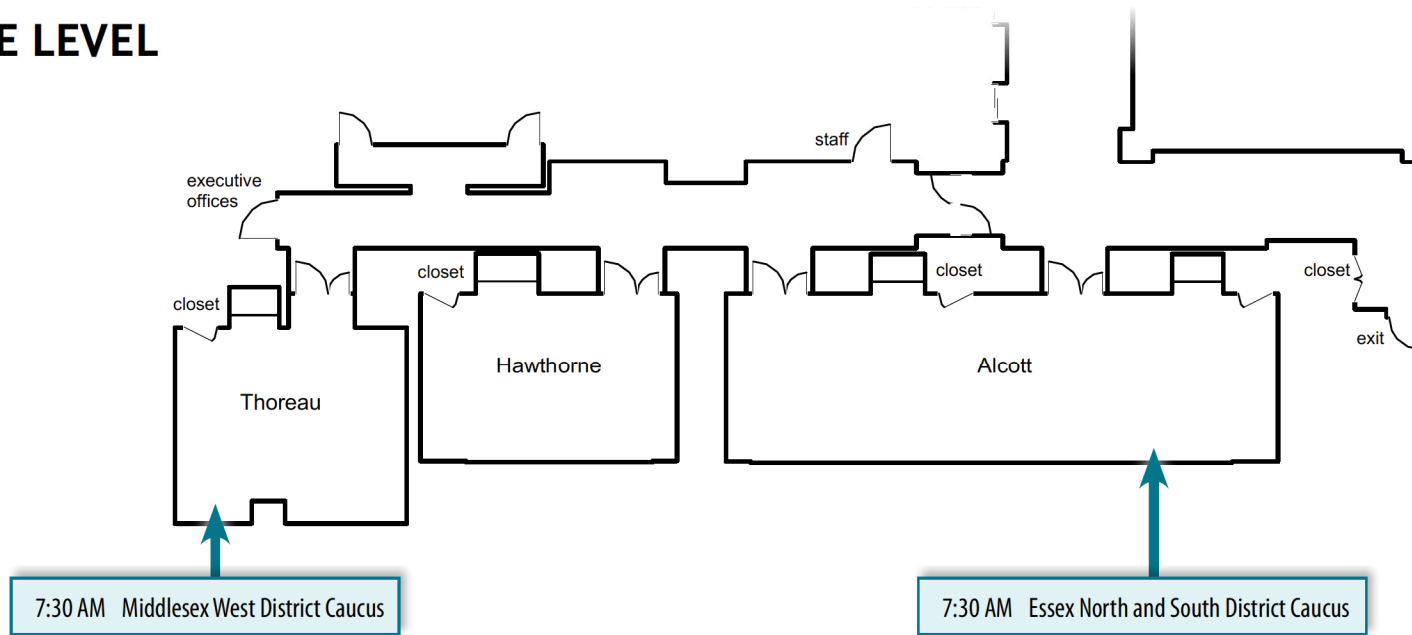
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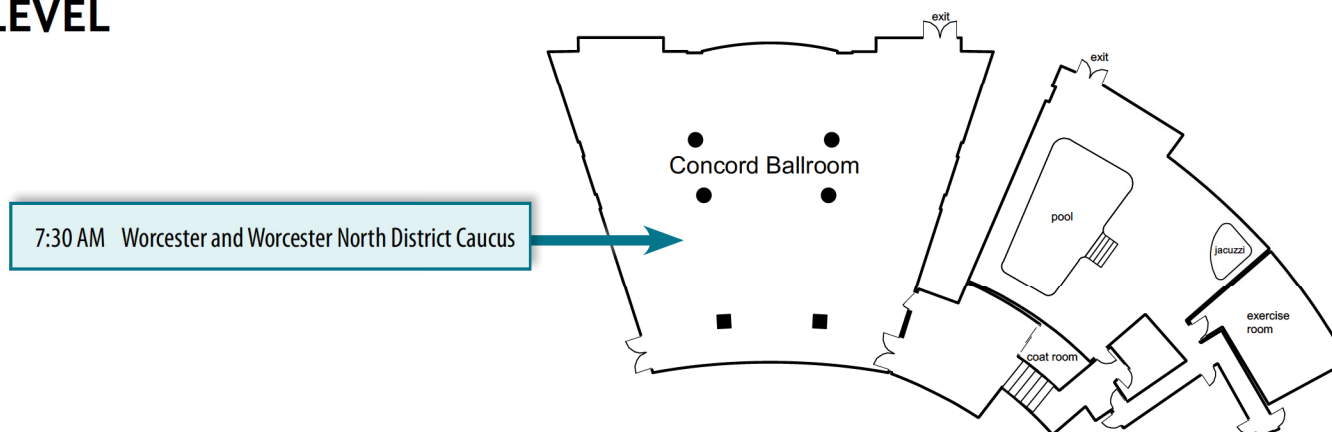
MMS INTERIM MEETING

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 1, 2018 | WESTIN WALTHAM

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MASSACHUSETTS MEDICAL SOCIETY HOUSE OF DELEGATES

**MMS HEADQUARTERS
AUDITORIUM**

FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 30, 9:00 AM

**ORDER OF BUSINESS
FIRST SESSION**

1. Call to Order
Frank MacMillan Jr., MD, FACC, Speaker
2. Quorum Report
3. Order of Business (vote)
4. Memorials
5. Acceptance of Resolutions and Reports for Action
 - Withdrawals or Minor Word Changes
 - Object to Consideration
6. Consent Calendar: Informational Reports (vote)
7. Proceedings: April 26 and April 28, 2018, House of Delegates Meeting (vote)
8. Presentation of Scrapbook to Immediate Past President
9. President's Report
10. Election of AMA Delegates and Alternate Delegates (vote)
11. AMA Update
12. New Minority Affairs Section
13. Fiscal Notes Review
14. Announcements
15. Recess

**Order of Reference Committee Report Presentation for HOD Second Session
(Reports available Saturday, December 1, at www.massmed.org/l18refcommreports)**

**Reference Committee C — MMS Administration
Reference Committee B — Health Care Delivery
Reference Committee A — Public Health**

MASSACHUSETTS MEDICAL SOCIETY HOUSE OF DELEGATES

WESTIN HOTEL, WALTHAM

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 1, 2018, 9:00 AM

**ORDER OF BUSINESS
SECOND SESSION**

1. Call to Order
Frank MacMillan Jr., MD, FACP, Speaker
2. Quorum Report
3. Order of Business (vote)
4. Fiscal Notes Update
5. Reference Committee Reports: (vote)
available at www.massmed.org/l18refcommreports
 - **Reference Committee C — MMS Administration**
 - **Reference Committee B — Health Care Delivery**
 - **Reference Committee A — Public Health**
6. Fiscal Notes Totals
7. Announcements
8. Adjournment

Memorial Resolutions

1 **MASSACHUSETTS MEDICAL SOCIETY HOUSE OF DELEGATES**

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4 Title: Memorial Resolution for Frank V. Colombo, MD
5 Sponsor: Essex South District Medical Society
6 Ronald Newman, MD, President
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8 Whereas, Doctor Colombo passed away on Tuesday, May 1, 2018, at the age of 91 and
9 was a member of the Massachusetts Medical Society and the Essex South District
10 Medical Society for 60 years; and
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12 Whereas, Doctor Colombo was a graduate of Harvard Medical School, Class of 1953;
13 and
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15 Whereas, Doctor Colombo was a retired general surgeon at Salem Hospital; and
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17 Whereas, Doctor Colombo served in the United States Navy during World War II; and
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19 Whereas, Doctor Colombo was a resident of Lynnfield since 1962; and
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21 Whereas, Doctor Colombo was a member of the American College of Surgeons; and
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23 Whereas, Doctor Colombo always had a smile and a kind word for everyone he met; and
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25 Whereas, Doctor Colombo was well respected and held in the highest esteem by his
26 colleagues; therefore, be it
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28 **RESOLVED, That the Massachusetts Medical Society note with great sadness the**
29 **passing of our dear friend and colleague Frank V. Colombo, MD; and, be it further**
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31 **RESOLVED, That expressions of condolences be forwarded with a copy of this**
32 **Memorial Resolution to the Colombo family.**

1 **MASSACHUSETTS MEDICAL SOCIETY HOUSE OF DELEGATES**

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4 Title: Memorial Resolution for William A. Cook, MD
5 Sponsor: Essex North District Medical Society
6 Joshua St. Louis, MD, President
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8 Whereas, William Arthur "Bill" Cook, MD, of Amesbury, Mass., and Hope, Maine, born
9 on August 27, 1932, in Stevens Point, Wisconsin, and passed in peace Nov. 13, 2018, at
10 age 86 of complications from bladder cancer; and
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12 Whereas, He was an Eagle Scout at age 16, selected for the Order of the Arrow and the
13 Lutheran Pro Deo et Patria award; and
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15 Whereas, He was an accomplished thoracic surgeon for 60 years; and
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17 Whereas, Dr. Cook attended the University of Wisconsin, Madison, where he completed
18 his BS and MD and joined the Chi Phi fraternity; and
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20 Whereas, He completed his medical residency at Cleveland Metropolitan and served as
21 Chief of Thoracic Surgery at Albert Einstein in New York; and
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23 Whereas, Dr. Cook was a career-long member of the Southern Thoracic Surgical
24 Association and served as its president in 1992; and
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26 Whereas, Dr. Cook was a member of the Massachusetts Medical Society and Essex
27 North District since 1982; and
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29 Whereas, Dr. Cook was an integral part of the Essex North District Medical Society
30 Executive Committee for years; and
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32 Whereas, Dr. Cook was known for his kind and personable demeanor with patients and
33 colleagues alike; therefore, be it
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35 **RESOLVED, That the Massachusetts Medical Society note with great sadness the**
36 **passing of its valued member, friend, and colleague, William A. Cook, MD, with**
37 **thankfulness and gratitude for the gift of his life, friendship, and medical**
38 **contributions; and, be it further**
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40 **RESOLVED, That expressions of condolence be forwarded with a copy of this**
41 **memorial resolution to his family.**

1 **MASSACHUSETTS MEDICAL SOCIETY HOUSE OF DELEGATES**
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4 Title: Memorial Resolution for David Elmer, MD
5 Sponsor: Barnstable District Medical Society
6 Kenneth A. Heisler, MD, President

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8 Whereas, Dr. David Elmer, died after a fierce and courageous battle from a rare and
9 aggressive cancer at his Centerville home on October 18, 2018, at the age of 64; and

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11 Whereas, Dr. Elmer was born in New York City on September 5, 1954, to Stephen and
12 Isabel Elmer. He spent his childhood in Greenwich, Connecticut, until his family moved
13 to Cape Cod, where he graduated from Nauset High School in 1973; and

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15 Whereas, Dr. Elmer graduated from Tufts University, magna cum laude, in 1980 and
16 from Tufts University School of Medicine, with honors, in 1984; and

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18 Whereas, Dr. Elmer opened his OB/GYN practice on Cape Cod in 1988. During his
19 career, he was affiliated with Nantucket Cottage Hospital, Tufts Medical Center, and
20 Cape Cod Hospital, where he served as chair of the Department of OB/GYN, director of
21 Quality and Obstetrics, and vice chief of the Department of OB/GYN. He was a member
22 of the Alpha Omega Alpha Honor Medical Society, the American Board of Obstetrics and
23 Gynecology—Diplomat, the American College of Obstetrics and Gynecology—Fellow,
24 and the Massachusetts Medical Society; and

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26 Whereas, Dr. Elmer drew immense joy and fulfillment from helping to deliver some
27 20,000 children into this world. His warm bedside manner, infectious smile, and
28 dedication to his patients won him the appreciation of countless Cape Cod families; and

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30 Whereas, Dr. Elmer was always the adventurer. He loved the outdoors, as he found
31 peace among the mountains and streams of Montana, the beaches of Nantucket, and
32 the lakes and woods around Squam Lake, New Hampshire; and

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34 Whereas, Dr. Elmer, who was an instrument-rated private pilot, was always up for the
35 \$100 hamburger run in his Cessna 182. An avid fly-fisherman and skier, he frequented
36 Montana, Maine, and Alaska. Dr. Elmer was an amateur Donald Duck voiceover artist, a
37 world-class “dad joke” comedian, an epic storyteller, and an honorary fellow of the
38 “Awah-Tagoo-Siam” Society; and

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40 Whereas Dr. Elmer has been a member of the Massachusetts Medical Society since
41 1992 and has served as a faithful delegate and alternate member to the Committee on
42 Nominations and the Committee on Maternal & Perinatal Welfare; and

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44 Whereas, Dr. Elmer would note that of all his achievements and passions, he was most
45 proud of his family. He is survived by his sons, Peter Elmer and his wife, Ashley, of
46 Cornelius, NC, Christopher Elmer of Centerville, MA, Eric Elmer and his wife, Chrissy, of
47 Alexandria, VA, and Jason Elmer and his wife, Sarah Eckenberger of South Berwick,
48 ME; his grandchildren, Carter, Lily, Avery, Liam, Henry, Anna, and a seventh grandchild
49 on the way; his sisters, Monica Elmer of Orleans, MS, Lucy Elmer of Harwich, MA and
50 Vicky Kanaga of Orleans; MA and several cousins, nieces, and nephews; therefore, be it

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52 **RESOLVED, That the Massachusetts Medical Society note with great sadness the**
53 **passing of David Elmer, MD, and the expressions of condolence be forwarded**
54 **with a copy of this Memorial Resolution to the Elmer family.**

1 **MASSACHUSETTS MEDICAL SOCIETY HOUSE OF DELEGATES**
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4 Title: Memorial Resolution for Elliott Rivo, MD
5 Sponsor: Charles River District Medical Society
6 Laura McCann, MD, President
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8 Whereas, Elliott Rivo, MD, was born on February 7, 1933, and passed away on August 13, 2018;
9 and
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11 Whereas, Dr. Rivo was an accomplished OB/GYN physician, skilled surgeon, and early pioneer
12 in women's health and contraception including the development of the birth control pill, IUD,
13 infertility treatments, and microsurgery; and
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15 Whereas, Dr. Rivo was a former faculty member of Harvard and Tufts Medical Schools; and
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17 Whereas, Dr. Rivo joined the Massachusetts Medical Society in 1963; and
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19 Whereas, Dr. Rivo was a member of the House of Delegates from 1983 until his death; and
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21 Whereas, Dr. Rivo served as the Charles River District President from 1998 until 2000; and
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23 Whereas, Dr. Rivo had served on the Public Relations Committee, the Committee on
24 Recognition Awards, the Board of Trustees, the District Leadership Council, the Committee on
25 Administration and Management, the Committee on Member Services, the Committee on
26 Strategic Planning and the Information Technology Clinical Advisory Committee, the Task Force
27 on MMS Districts, and the Task Force on Pharmaceutical Gifts and Sponsorships; and
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29 Whereas, Dr. Rivo was credited with leading the movement to ensure communication with the
30 public and with physicians was a core competency and priority of the MMS; and
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32 Whereas, Dr. Rivo was on the original *Vital Signs* editorial board dating back to 1996 and
33 appeared in messages from the MMS to the public; and
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35 Whereas, Dr. Rivo was the beloved husband of Sharon Pucker Rivo; and
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37 Whereas, Dr. Rivo was the loving father of Lisa Rivo, Rebecca Rivo, and Steven Rivo and his
38 wife, Jessica Millstone; and
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40 Whereas, Dr. Rivo was the cherished "Tata" to his grandchildren, Jones and Sylvie; and
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42 Whereas, he is survived by his devoted family, including his identical twin brother, Morton G.
43 Rivo; niece and nephew, Susie and Michael Rivo; brother and sister-in-law, Bernard and Sue
44 Pucker; and nephews, Michael, Ken, and Jon Pucker; therefore, be it
45

46 **RESOLVED, That the Massachusetts Medical Society note with great sadness the passing**
47 **of its valued member, friend, and colleague, Elliott Rivo, MD, with thankfulness and**
48 **gratitude for the gift of his life, friendship, and medical contributions; and, be it further**
49

50 **RESOLVED, That expressions of condolence be forwarded with a copy of this memorial**
51 **resolution to his family.**

1 **MASSACHUSETTS MEDICAL SOCIETY HOUSE OF DELEGATES**
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4 Title: Memorial Resolution for Barry Steinberg, MD
5 Sponsor: Bristol South District Medical Society
6 Stephen Kasparian, MD, President
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8 Whereas, Barry Steinberg, MD, was born on July 6, 1934, and passed away on November 16,
9 2018; and
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11 Whereas, Dr. Steinberg was born in New York and was the brother of Leon, Irving, and Henry
12 Steinberg; and is survived by his beloved wife of 58 years, Edythe C. (Freeman) Steinberg; and
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14 Whereas, Dr. Steinberg received his medical degree from Dalhousie University Faculty of Medicine,
15 Halifax, Nova Scotia, in 1961. Dr. Steinberg continued his training and residency at the New York
16 Presbyterian Hospital; and
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18 Whereas, Dr. Steinberg had a long and distinguished career practicing anesthesia in the Fall River
19 area; and
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21 Whereas, Dr. Steinberg joined the Massachusetts Medical Society on May 28, 1967, and served for
22 50 years as a district treasurer for the Bristol South District Medical Society; and
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24 Whereas, Dr. Steinberg served as trustee on the MMS Board of Trustees for many years. He was a
25 long-time delegate and served on several MMS committees, including the Committee on Ethics &
26 Grievances and the Committee on Nominations; and
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28 Whereas, Dr. Steinberg was affectionately known as "Dr. B." He was admired and loved by his
29 friends, colleagues, and patients; and
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31 Whereas, Dr. Steinberg was an avid skier and also enjoyed listening to music. One of his longtime
32 friends described Dr. Steinberg as "a man for all seasons" and in the words of Nat King Cole, he
33 always SMILED," and never complained. His life was so full of giving of himself and his favorite
34 vocalist, Frank Sinatra, stated it succinctly: "He did it his way"; and
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36 Whereas, In addition to his wife, Edythe, he leaves behind his two sons, Jacques P. Steinberg and
37 his wife Sharon of Larchmont, NY and Adam J. Steinberg and his wife Allison of Longmeadow, MA;
38 four grandchildren: Alexandra, Jordan, Zachary and Hayden; therefore, be it
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40 **RESOLVED, That the Massachusetts Medical Society note with great sadness the passing of**
41 **its our dear friend, and esteemed colleague, Barry Steinberg, MD, with thankfulness and**
42 **gratitude for the gift of his life, friendship, and medical contributions; and, be it further**
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44 **RESOLVED, That expressions of condolence be forwarded with a copy of this memorial**
45 **resolution to his beloved wife, Edythe.**

1 **MASSACHUSETTS MEDICAL SOCIETY HOUSE OF DELEGATES**
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4 Title: Memorial Resolution for Gary B. Witman, MD
5 Sponsor: Plymouth District Medical Society
6 Kevin McCarthy, MD, President
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8 Whereas, Gary B. Witman, MD, was born on August 30, 1949, and passed away on April 30, 2018;
9 and
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11 Whereas, Dr. Witman was born in New York and raised in Fair Lawn, New Jersey, and was the son
12 of the late Seymour and Ruth (Malamud) Witman. He is survived by his wife Dee Dee (Zarum)
13 Witman; and
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15 Whereas, Dr. Witman graduated from Rutgers University and received his medical degree from
16 SUNY Medical School, Downstate. He continued his training at the Mayo Clinic in Minnesota,
17 followed by Brown University and then Yale — as the American Cancer Society scholar in medical
18 oncology — and became a program director at the National Cancer Institute as the head of all 12
19 comprehensive cancer centers throughout North and South America; and
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21 Whereas, During his accomplished career in oncology research and internal medicine, Gary never
22 put aside his hands-on work treating patients whose lives were on the line. Dr. Witman ran several
23 Boston-area emergency rooms where he thrived in what he called “battlefield” conditions; and
24

25 Whereas, With an uncanny talent to counsel, comfort, and diagnose, he demonstrated his great
26 love for all around him with warmth, humor, confidence, and a depth of great humanity. His was the
27 first and second medical opinion of countless friends and relatives and was regarded within the
28 medical community as a “physician’s physician”; and
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30 Whereas, Dr. Witman was an Eagle Scout, a lover of sports, an avid traveler, and an accomplished
31 skier on the US Ski Team; and
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33 Whereas, Dr. Witman joined the Massachusetts Medical Society in 2003 and served as a district
34 delegate for the Plymouth District Medical Society; and
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36 Whereas, Dr. Witman was respected, admired, and beloved by his colleagues and patients; as
37 accomplished as he was in his younger life, his achievements paled in comparison to his last eight
38 years, when he suffered a life-altering accident, rendering him a quadriplegic. Despite his injury, his
39 brilliance and passion for others only grew stronger; he relished his expanding family and continued
40 to work as a fulltime physician; and
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42 Whereas, In addition to his wife, Dee Dee, he leaves behind his three children, Samantha Witman
43 Friedland, Zachary Witman, and Amanda Rose Witman Speiser; two sons-in-law, Michael Friedland
44 and Brian Speiser; three grandchildren, Emmanuelle, Juliette, and Hershel Friedland; and three
45 brothers, Leonard, Philip, and Michael; and
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47 **RESOLVED, That the Massachusetts Medical Society note with great sadness the passing of**
48 **its valued member, friend, and colleague, Gary B. Witman, MD, with thankfulness and**
49 **gratitude for the gift of his life, friendship, and medical contributions; and, be it further**
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51 **RESOLVED, That expressions of condolence be forwarded with a copy of this memorial**
52 **resolution to his beloved wife, Dee Dee.**

MMS Ambassador Program Report

November 2018

On May 17, 2014, the MMS House of Delegates amended the criteria for the MMS Ambassador Program. The criteria directed the coordinator and the AMA Delegation Chair to provide an update to the HOD on the program.

Current Status

The June 2018 Ambassador Program had four participants: Odysseus Argy, MD, David Golden, MD, Janet Limke, MD and Khuloud Shukha, MD. The Ambassador Coordinator, Mario Motta, MD., although the full delegation was responsible to mentor these individuals, Dr. Motta enlisted assistance from Michael Medlock, MD and Frank Carbone, MD since Dr. Motta was running for a seat on the Board of Trustees. Daily assignments were given to delegation members to mentor a particular ambassador.

The program is highly regarded and the participants continue to feel that their time was well spent, that they learned a lot and many have joined the AMA if they were not already AMA members. More than two thirds of the past ambassador participants are now current AMA members including: Carole Allen, MD, Melody Eckardt, MD, Christopher Garofalo, MD, Kathryn Hughes, MD, Kenath Shamir, MD and Michael Medlock, MD, so the goal of introducing the AMA to non-members and those unfamiliar with the workings of the AMA has been effective.

Dr. Motta prepared the participants prior to the meeting via teleconference with Delegation Chair, Dr. Alain Chaoui, outlining the week's activities and the roles and responsibilities of all involved. The ambassadors participated in all aspects of the meetings held by the New England Delegation and participated in the reference committee process as well. They sat in the House of Delegates meeting as observers and were able to participate in all educational sessions during the meeting.

Feedback from Past Participants:

"The immersion in such an intense, dynamic environment with thoughtful discussion will make me want more of the same."

"The opportunity to be mentored by MMS leaders. The mentors were engaged, patient and very willing to share their experience and knowledge. The campaign process. I enjoyed the opportunity to visit other delegations. The process immersed me in the issues."

"I am inspired to follow health care policy much more carefully and to actively participate if not at the AMA level, because there may be several people who want to be AMA delegates or alternates then as a representative of either at my specialty or subspecialty society level."

"It is hard to pick just a few things to list. I very much enjoyed hearing the thoughts and discussion of the New England caucus and then seeing how things played out on the floor during the House. I enjoyed watching the strategies of the various groups and having Dr. Chaoui and others discuss the strategy that had just been used."

"This is a fantastic program. I very much enjoyed the level of access and participation with MMS leadership during the week. It was an honor to be there. It was also great to have assigned mentors, and others dedicated to including us in the process so thoroughly during the session of the House of Delegates, MMS delegates went out of their way to discuss strategies and issues with us when they were not up at the tables voting."

"This experience affirmed my goal to participate in the national level of organized medicine."

"As a result of participating in this program, I feel that I will be able to have a better insight into the types of issues that confront us in the practice of medicine. I plan to continue to be active in the Massachusetts Medical Society as a delegate and in writing resolutions in an effort to improve the practice of medicine. I hope that I will get the opportunity in the future to participate as a delegate/representative to the AMA, which I understand is a great responsibility and a privilege in working towards the improvement of healthcare in our country."

"The Ambassador program is an incredibly thought out program for physicians who are interested in joining organized medicine and leadership in medicine. Delegates and alternate delegates are great mentors and guided me every step of the way."

"This experience has clearly reinforced the value and relevance of organized medicine. It was exciting to see the proceedings and to realize that any physician can participate and contribute to the proceedings if they desire. I could feel the energy and strength that participation in such events offers to members to better address issues through collective efforts, in a manner that far enhances and exceeds that of individual efforts. "

"It was an enlightening and enriching experience. I can honestly say that I could not have imagined the amount of work that goes into making the policies that govern our practices and affect our patients."

"The chance to meet physicians of diverse specialties from all parts of the country was invaluable, as were the interactions with the student and resident representatives, who were remarkably knowledgeable."

"I was very impressed by the quality and demeanor of the testimony at the reference committees. Even when someone expressed an opinion with which I disagreed, it was clear that these were very informed and knowledgeable individuals."

Alumni of the Program

Annual 2018

Odysseus Argy, MD
David Golden, MD
Janet Limke, MD
Khuloud Shukha, MD

Annual 2017

Eileen Deignan, MD
Pei-Li Huang, MD
Mangadhara Madineedi, MD
Kenath Shamir, MD
Marguerite Youngren, MD

Annual 2016

Sanjay Aurora, MD
Karl D'Silva, MD
Christopher Garofalo, MD
Peter Rappo, MD

Annual 2015

Helen Cajigas, MD
Paula Jo Carbone, MD
Melody Eckardt, MD
Kathryn Hughes, MD
Michael Medlock, MD

Annual 2014

Ihor Bilyk, MD
Glenn Markenson, MD
Nancy Bolanis, MD
Samia Osman, MD

Annual 2013

Srilatha Kodali, MD
Jennifer Thulin, MD
Taj Kattapuram, MD (res.)

Annual 2012

Adarsha Bajracharya, MD
Frederic Baker, MD
Dennis Dimitri, MD
Lynda Kabbash, MD
Susan Moynihan, MD

Interim 2011

M. Denise Mills, MD
Sarah Taylor, MD

Annual 2011

Nidhi Lal, MD
Carole Allen, MD
Navin Popat, MD

Interim 2010

Andrew Ting, MD
Fred Shapiro, MD

Annual 2010

Vinutha Rajesh, MD (res.)

Annual 2009

Glenn Kimball, MD

Annual 2008

Ronald Abramson, MD

Annual 2007

Cecilia Mikalac, MD
Shakti Sabharwal, MD
Hugh Taylor, MD

Annual 2006

Maryanne Bombaugh, MD
James Kenealy, MD

Annual 2005

Herbert Hagele, MD
Barry Steinberg, MD
Purnima Sangal, MD
Ana- Cristina Vasilescu, MD
Denise Millstine, MD

Annual 2004

Robert Lebow, MD
Keith Nobil, MD

Historical Background and Current Policy

The Ambassador Program has undergone many improvements since its inception. For a full history of the amendments over the years, please contact mjussaume@mms.org. The current policy states:

That the Massachusetts Medical Society amends the current criteria for selection of ambassadors and a coordinator as adopted by the MMS House of Delegates on November 30, 2012, to read as follows:

The current criteria for selection of ambassadors and a coordinator for the program include the following:

- 1. The selected ambassadors will attend the AMA Annual Meeting, and fully participate by shadowing MMS delegates/alternates and attend all scheduled delegation meetings and House of Delegates sessions at the AMA Annual Meeting (currently beginning at 6pm Friday and concluding at noon Wednesday) unless the ambassador has reasonable alternatives that would benefit the Massachusetts AMA delegation and are approved by the ambassador program coordinator.**
- 2. The applicant must be an MMS member and have indicated his or her willingness to serve, should they be selected.**
- 3. The applicant must be nominated by one MMS member with an accompanying letter of support.**
- 4. If necessary, the applicant and nominator may be required to be interviewed by the chair of the AMA Delegation and/or the coordinator of the Ambassador Program.**
- 5. The applicant should never have attended a meeting of the AMA House of Delegates.**
- 6. The selection decisions should be made by the AMA Delegation.**
- 7. The selected ambassador(s) should later, in person or in writing, report to the MA AMA Delegation and the MMS House of Delegates (HOD) regarding their reflections on their experience within this program.**
- 8. The coordinator and AMA Delegation chair will maintain an ongoing report to the HOD documenting the alumni, the history of the program, and the resultant effect as to its intended goal.**
- 9. The MA AMA Delegation will select the coordinator from among the MMS elected delegates and alternates.**
- 10. A maximum of five (5) ambassadors will be selected annually.**
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Thank you to everyone for making the meeting a favorable experience for all involved.

Respectfully Submitted,

Alain Chaoui, MD
MA AMA Delegation Chair

**MOTIONS AT-A-GLANCE: COMMONLY USED MOTIONS AT
HOUSE OF DELEGATES SECOND SESSION AND HOW TO USE THEM**

Based on *selected* motions from the *American Institute of Parliamentarians Standard Code of Parliamentary Procedure* and the *MMS Procedures of the HOD*.
(*MMS-Specific Motions**)

IF YOU WANT TO:	STATE THIS:	CAN INTERRUPT ANOTHER SPEAKER	REQUIRES A SECOND	MOTION IS DEBATABLE:	TYPE OF VOTE REQUIRED:
Request immediate action on something that affects the whole assembly (temperature, safety, etc.).	"I rise to a question of privilege to..."	Yes	No	No	None
Dispose of a main motion without any (or further) debate and without a direct vote.	"I move that this motion be tabled."	No	Yes	No	2/3
Close debate and vote immediately.	"I move to close debate and vote immediately on..." <i>[Qualify whether it is on all pending motions or just the current motion.]</i>	No	Yes	No	2/3
Limit/extend debate.	"I move to limit/extend debate to..."	No	Yes	Yes (restricted)	2/3
Put off consideration/further consideration of a pending main motion until a specific time (within same meeting).	"I move to postpone discussion of this item until... [after lunch, the last item for this reference committee, etc.]."	No	Yes	Yes (restricted)	Majority
*Refer item to the BOT for decision.	"I move that this item be referred to the Board of Trustees for Decision."	No	Yes	Yes (restricted)	Majority
*Refer item to the BOT for a report back/recommendation to the HOD.	"I move that this item be referred to the BOT for report back at: [specify which HOD meeting within the next year]."	No	Yes	Yes (restricted)	Majority
*Refer item to MMS Committee on Ethics, Grievances, and Professional Standards.	"I move that this item be referred to the Committee on Ethics, Grievances, and Professional Standards."	No	Yes	Yes (restricted)	Majority
Propose an amendment to the amendment.	"I move a secondary amendment by addition/deletion/substitution..."	No	Yes	Yes	Majority
Propose an amendment to the main motion.	"I move to amend the main motion by addition/deletion/substitution..."	No	Yes	Yes	Majority
Reconsider a motion or vote on item discussed at meeting.	"I move to reconsider..."	Yes (can interrupt proceedings, but not a speaker)	Yes	Yes (restricted)	Majority
Appeal/vote on a ruling by the chair.	"I appeal the decision of the chair."	Yes	Yes	Yes	Majority
Suspend the rules.	"I move to suspend the rules and..."	No	Yes	No	2/3
REQUESTS					
To point out a violation/potential violation by chair of the rules.	"I rise to a point of order."	Yes	No	No	None
To request information from chair on meaning of pending motion/procedure.	"I rise to a parliamentary inquiry."	Yes	No	No	None
To request information relative to the current discussion/pending motion.	"I rise to a factual inquiry."	Yes	No	No	None
To withdraw a motion made.	"I move to withdraw my motion."	Yes	No	No	None
To separate a multi-part item.	"I request to divide the question."	No	No	No	None
To verify a vote by re-taking the vote.	"I request division of the assembly."	Yes	No	No	None



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Reimbursement Guidelines for the MMS House of Delegates Meeting (Updated August 2018)

1. Lodging:

- Reimbursement for MMS delegates is provided for up to two nights before or between sessions of the House of Delegates at the negotiated MMS group rate (specific to each meeting).
- Requests for reimbursement for additional hotel nights for the House of Delegates meeting should be directed to the MMS Executive Office (extension 7007) prior to the meeting. The President or the President's designee may authorize additional hotel nights based upon travel time or extenuating circumstances involved in the delegate's mobility.

2. Meals:

- The Society provides meals to delegates as part of all business functions of the House. Meals outside of regular business sessions will not be reimbursed.

3. Transportation/Mileage:

- ***Only residents and students are allowed reimbursement for mileage for attendance at House of Delegates meetings*** (at 0.545 cents/mile). Travel Reimbursement Guidelines for reimbursement must be followed [Resolution: 302, A-96 (C)]. Delegates who request reimbursement for mileage to MMS HOD meetings are required to submit requests to the President in advance. Requests will be considered on a case-by-case basis and the Society will take into account issues of hardship. The Society does not encourage, nor can it sustain, reimbursement for mileage for all delegates.

4. Parking:

- The Society will reimburse delegates for self-parking at the MMS designated hotel during regular business sessions of the House and reference committee hearings. Delegates who stay overnight will be reimbursed for overnight self-parking for the approved nights before sessions of the House of Delegates.

5. Incidentals:

- Incidental expenses are the responsibility of the delegate. These include, but are not limited to:
 - Phone calls
 - Laundry services
 - Mini-bar items
 - Fines for parking or moving violations
 - Personal expenses
 - Companion expenses
 - Movies, health club fees & other entertainment expenses
 - Room Service
- The Society will reimburse for reasonable tips for help with luggage.
- Lost or stolen personal property is the responsibility of the delegate.

6. Process for obtaining reimbursement:

- When in doubt of procedures or for specific approval, contact the President or Executive Vice President for clarification before committing to the expense. Only the President provides the authority for individual members to incur costs for reimbursement for official Society business.
- Delegates requesting reimbursement within the Guidelines listed above should submit their request within 30 days to: Laura Bombrun, Mass Medical Society, Executive Office, 860 Winter Street, Waltham, MA 02451-1411. Please keep a copy of your expense report for your records.
- Unresolved situations concerning reimbursement of expenses for delegates shall be referred to the President and Chair of the Finance Committee. Unresolved appeals will be referred to the Committee on Administration and Management of the Board of Trustees.

DELEGATE EXPENSE REPORT 2018 INTERIM MEETING

DIVISION: MMS
PROJECT NAME: Interim HOD Meeting (100/81000/000689)
NAME (please print): _____
ADDRESS: _____
I AM A DELEGATE FOR (DISTRICT/SECTION): _____
DATE: _____

	Company	Accounting Unit	GL Acct. Code	Amount	Activity Number	Account Category
HOTEL EXPENSE*	100	81000	770140		000689	77014
PARKING EXPENSE	100	81000	770130		000689	77013
MILEAGE EXPENSE (RESIDENTS & STUDENTS ONLY)	100	81000	770120		000689	77012
Amount Due to Delegate						

***Society will reimburse for November 29, 2018 and/or November 30, 2018 at the group rate of \$159/night plus tax.**

<i>I certify that I am a delegate and that the above expenses were incurred at the 2018 Interim Meeting.</i> Delegate Signature: (required)	Approved By: Second Approval:
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STAPLE ORIGINAL RECEIPTS TO EXPENSE REPORT AND RETURN COMPLETED FORMS TO:

Amy McInerney, Executive Office
 860 Winter Street; Waltham, MA 02451-1411
 Fax: 781.464.4849

Requests for reimbursement should be submitted within 30 days.

ACCOUNTS PAYABLE ONLY

APPROVAL VERIFIED: _____ DELEGATE VERIFIED: _____
 RECEIPTS VERIFIED: _____
 MATH VERIFIED: _____
 AUTHORIZATION VERIFIED: _____

VOUCHER #: _____
VENDOR #: _____
ENTITY #: _____



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Check-In for the House of Delegates and CME Sessions Using Your QR Code

FRIDAY MORNING

HOUSE OF DELEGATES, FIRST SESSION

- Check-in at the Registration Desk to get your badge and packet, and have your QR code scanned

FRIDAY AFTERNOON

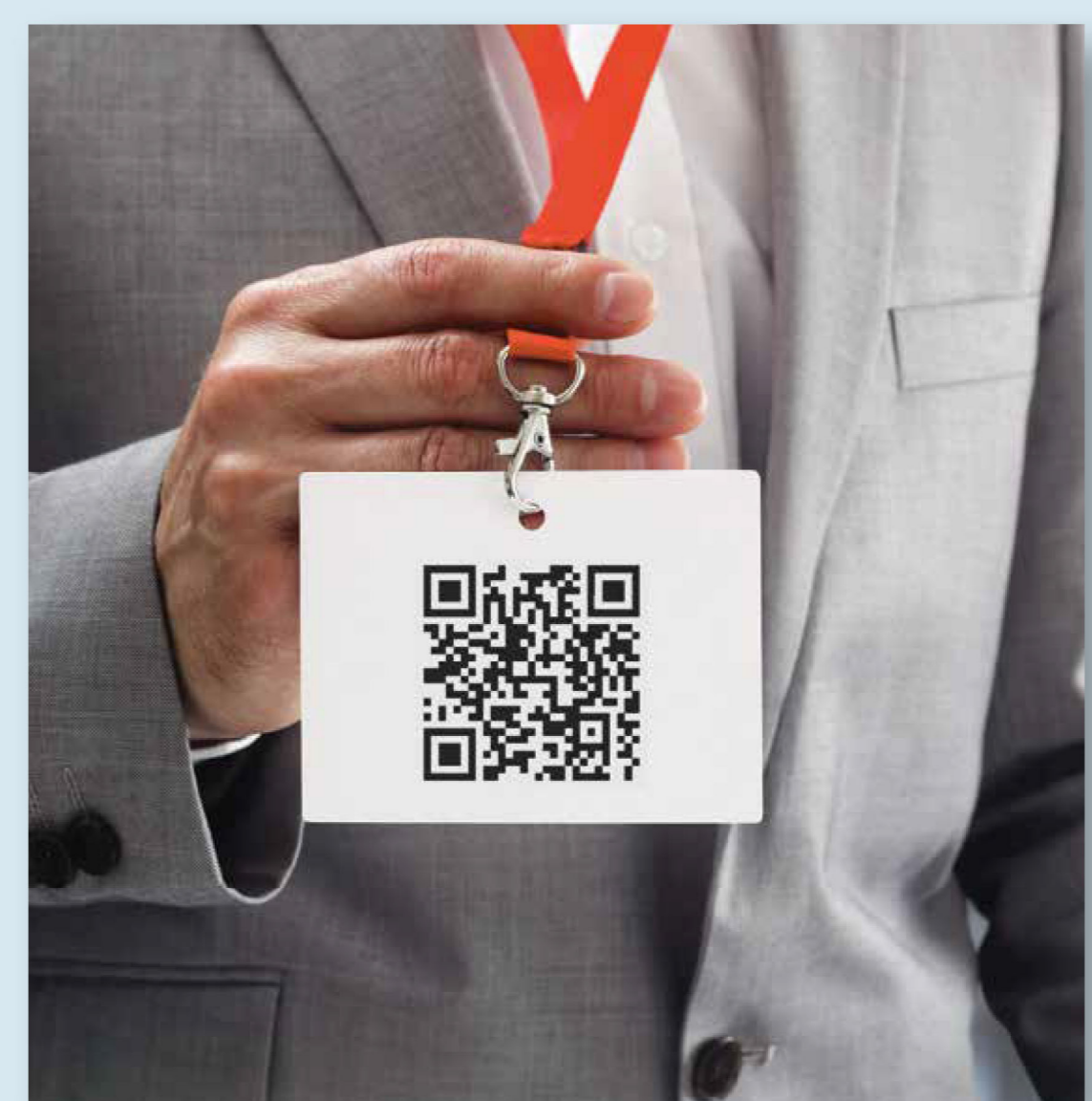
ANNUAL ORATION AND ETHICS FORUM

- Use one of the kiosks at the entrance to scan your QR code (staff members will be available for assistance)
- Tap the screen to select the CME events you plan to attend
- The event will turn green to signify that you are checked in

SATURDAY MORNING

HOUSE OF DELEGATES, SECOND SESSION

- Use one of the kiosks at the entrance to scan your QR code (staff members will be available for assistance)
- Tap the screen to select your HOD event
- The event will turn green to signify that you are checked in
- On Saturday, there is **no need to check in registration desk**



Each attendee's badge will have a quick response, or QR, code on the reverse side. A QR code is a type of matrix barcode used on gate passes, nutrition labels, and for marketing purposes. The QR code appearing on your badge is programmed with your name and your MMS Member ID

Please keep and wear
badge for

13th Annual

Research Poster Symposium

for Residents, Fellows, and Medical Students



Delegates and Guests

Join us!

Friday, November 30, 2018

Symposium Exhibit Hours: 12:30–3:00 p.m.

Awards Presented: 3:00 p.m.

Fenway Conference Room



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Sponsored by the Massachusetts Medical Society and its Resident and Fellow and Medical Student Sections

New: MMS Minority Affairs Section — Join Us!



The Massachusetts Medical Society's Minority Affairs Section (MAS) offers a forum for addressing the unique needs and concerns of underrepresented minority physicians and the delivery of health care to minority patients and communities. The Section's priorities include the development of policies and

initiatives that provide career advancement and leadership opportunities for minority physicians and increases participation and mentorship of underrepresented minority physicians and students in the MMS.

The Section also offers members a chance to participate in organized medicine at both the local

(MMS) and national (AMA) levels. Membership in the MAS is open to any MMS member physician or medical student with an interest in minority physicians or minority health issues.

For more information or to become involved, contact Bill Howland at (800) 322-2303, ext. 7877.

MMS Minority Affairs Section Executive Committee

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Vincent Smith, MD, MPH, Vice Chair

Carl Streed Jr., MD, Representative to the AMA-MAS Open, Delegate to the MMS HOD

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Milagros Abreu, MD, Committee on Diversity in Medicine

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Navin Popat, MD, At-large Seat

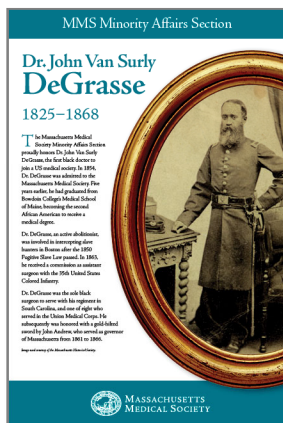
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Open, Committee on Membership

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ANNUAL MEETING

Physicians got Talent

Thursday, May 2, 2019

Show Time: 5:30–6:30 p.m.

The Amphitheater at the
Seaport/World Trade Center, Boston



The Massachusetts Medical Society is comprised of some of the brightest and most talented physicians in the world, but medicine is not the only talent among our ranks. Whether you are a seasoned performer or are ready to venture on stage for the first time, please contact us to audition for this exciting event to showcase your talent at the MMS 2019 Annual Meeting. Individual or group performers are welcome and a concert piano will be available for use.

Please fill out the form below.

Registration Form Deadline: December 15, 2018

Audition Required: Please send an Audio/Video sample to Cathy Salas at csalas@mms.org no later than January 14, 2019.

Questions? Call 413-596-9231

Member Name:	District:
Email:	Phone:
Talent:	
Introduction:	

The number of performances is limited.

The audio/video sample, along with any future recordings of you that may take place at the Annual Meeting, will not be returned or provided to you. Both will become the property of MMS and can be used for any purpose by MMS. By submitting the audio/video sample or performing at the Annual Meeting, you are verifying that you own the content (including any music or pictures) or you obtained the right to use it, and you have the right to perform it at the Annual Meeting.



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House of Delegates Meeting Dates

2019 Annual Meeting: May 2-4, 2019

Seaport Hotel & World Trade Center, Boston, MA

2019 Interim Meeting: December 6-7, 2019

MMS Headquarters & Westin Hotel, Waltham, MA

2020 Annual Meeting: April 30-May 2, 2020

Seaport Hotel & World Trade Center, Boston, MA