

## 2017-2018 MEETING SCHEDULE

### Board of Trustees\*

Thursday, September 14, 2017 @ 6:30pm

Thursday, December 7, 2017 @ 6:30pm

Thursday, March 8, 2018 @ 7:00pm

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### Policy & Strategy Panel\*

Thursday, October 12, 2017 @ 5:30pm

Tuesday, January 23, 2018 @ 5:30pm

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### Nominating Committee\*

Thursday, February 15, 2018 @ 6:30pm

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### Revolving Reference Committee Webinar

Thursday, August 31, 2017 @ 7:00pm

Thursday, November 30, 2017 @ 7:00pm

Thursday, February 8, 2018 @ 7:00pm

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### House of Delegates 2018

Thursday, March 29, 2018 @ 6:00pm

(Webinar-Reference Committee)

Saturday, May 5 - tentative  
(MSNJ Annual Meeting)

*\*all above meetings are located at  
2 Princess Road, Lawrenceville, NJ 08648,  
2nd Floor Conference Room*

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## ADVOCACY

**Litigation:** We aggressively pursue litigation on behalf of the medical profession before state and federal courts. Victories include cases involving medical liability, contract rights and medical ethics.

**Legislation and Policy:** We routinely engage with state and federal government leaders, legislators and regulators. We monitor and analyze proposals and advocate for policies to reduce health care costs and improve quality of care for physicians and patients.

Among many others, MSNJ is focused on these current issues:

- **Opioids:** balancing the needs of pain patients with the desire to curb misuse
- **Insurance payments:** fighting to keep your contracts and payments fair, opposing the "out of network" bill, and reducing administrative burdens, including preauthorization. Fighting insurers' payment policies that result in less reimbursement to physicians
- **Scope of practice:** protecting patients from fragmentation of care caused by certain scope expansions
- **Litigation:** fighting against insurance carriers' expansion of the Insurance Fraud Protection Act to recoup payments
- **Regulatory:** supporting rules on physician ownership of medical practices; requiring transparency and accountability by payers

**Political Action:** Our political action committee, MedAC, pools campaign contributions and empowers MSNJ to have a strong, unified voice in Trenton.

**Media Relations:** We are a vital contributor and a respected thought leader driving the health care policy debate in New Jersey, often appearing appearing on television, radio and in print media.

## PRACTICE SUPPORT

**Claims Assistance Program (CAP):** The Claims Assistance Program assists our members with claims payment and other payor issues. CAP has helped over 1,000 members with over \$3.5 million in claims issues to date.

**Member Resource Center:** The Member Resource Center is MSNJ's live call center offering guidance and solutions to common and even complex practice issues affecting our members. The call center averages over 2,500 inquiries per year.

**Benefits and Services:** We offer special savings from trusted partners on a range of products and services essential to a medical practice, including legal, financial, insurance and technology.

**Practice Management:** The Medical Practice Managers Section provides timely and targeted education and resources to practice managers.

**Employment Contract Review Program:** For a modest fee, our members have access to initial legal review of employment agreements. With the trend toward physician employment, this program is of vital importance.

**Legal Defense Program:** For a member who is the subject of an investigation or disciplinary action, legal representation is just a phone call away.

## EDUCATION

**CME Accreditation Program:** As an Accreditation Council for Continuing Medical Education recognized state medical society, we conduct an accreditation program for institutions that wish to provide a program of continuing medical education for New Jersey physicians.

**Physician's Recognition Award (PRA):** The MSNJ PRA recognizes physicians who commit to lifelong learning and excellence in patient care by participating in continuing medical education courses that meet national standards. Our PRA is recognized by the American Medical Association and is accepted by hospitals and insurance companies in satisfying continuing medical education requirements.

**Training:** We host various webinars on hot topics and issues for physicians and practice managers. We also offer a variety of special events to share industry information and encourage networking with peers.

### Member Publications and Communications:

We produce a weekly electronic newsletter (*e-News*) to report breaking news stories, updates on our advocacy activities, event information and valuable tips/tools.

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