

MSSNY THIRD DISTRICT REPORT

JANUARY

- **CONGRATULATIONS MSSNY!**
The members of the Third District Branch extend sincere congratulations to the MSSNY leadership, Division of Governmental Affairs and the thousands of members and volunteers who, for the second year in a row, were able to steer Governor Kathy Hochul into vetoing the wrongful death bill. This is a remarkable accomplishment considering that the governor was going against her own party in the state legislature who overwhelmingly approved the legislation. A challenge is now upon us to figure out a way to publicize this accomplishment and use it as a mechanism to encourage physicians to join. It is simply unfair that so few have done so much for so many.
- **DUES COLLECTION:**
Dues collection for 2024 has been a problem for all of us, particularly for those counties that have little or no reserves. We urge you all to please help the counties as best you can and for those who have not paid their dues yet please do so as soon as possible.
- **SPHPMA PRIMARY CARE PRACTICES HONORED FOR EXCEPTIONAL CARE:**
Troy Internal Medicine has been named the top internal medicine practice in the Capital Region by CDPHP as part of its Top Doctors Report for 2023. Several other St. Peter's Health Partners Medical Associates primary care practices were also recognized for delivering outstanding care. The Top Doctors Report is a comprehensive list of the area's most trusted and top-performing primary care practices that have met CDPHP's rigorous standards for high-quality care and superior customer service. The list is meant to serve as a tool to help patients make the most informed decisions about their health care.
- **ALBANY MED HEALTH SYSTEM WELCOMES FIRST NEWBORN IN 2024:**
Albany Medical Center is excited to announce the arrival of the Capital Region's first baby of the new year, Scarlett Johana Torres Ambrocio. Scarlett was born at 4:47 a.m. on New Year's Day, weighing 8 pounds, 11 ounces and she is 22 inches long. Proud parents of the healthy girl are Elvia Johana Ambrocio Cutz and Wilder Ariel Torres Barrera, of Albany. This is their first child, and mom and baby are doing well.