

Success Story

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Medical Society State of New York (MSSNY) and New York Society of County Coroners and Medical Examiners

Medical Society State of New York (MSSNY):

- This committee, which meets quarterly via telephone conference call, is comprised of individual representatives from all over NY State. They meet to discuss issues which impact forensic medicine/pathology in NY State (i.e. Pandemic Flu, disasters, bioterrorism, governmental issues, etc)

ECDOH Representation on MSSNY:

- Dr. James Woytash, Chief Medical Examiner - reappointed as Chair of the Forensic Pathology Committee for 2008-2009
- Dr. Dianne Vertes, Deputy Chief Medical Examiner - reappointed to the Forensic Medicine Committee

New York Society of County Coroners and Medical Examiners

- Dr. Dianne Vertes, Deputy Chief Medical Examiner, attended the Spring meeting of the New York Society of County Coroners and Medical Examiners of which she is Executive Secretary. This conference dealt with legal issues for coroners and medical examiners. Dr. Vertes gave a joint presentation with an Assistant District Attorney from Oswego County entitled "Differences Between Criminal and Medical Determinations of Homicidal and Accidental Deaths."

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