

The Italian-American Pharmacists Society of the State of New York

Meeting Minutes

THURSDAY, February 11th, 2010 at 8:30 pm

CE Presentation: Contemporary Management of Type 2 Diabetes Mellitus: Perspective From Treatment Guidelines by Joanna Huang, PharmD

Secretary Report: Minutes were approved and will be posted on website.

Treasurer Report: Account is the black and approved by chairman of board.

Committee Reports :

- Journal Ads: Roger reported journal ad forms have been mailed.
- PSSNY Report: **July 7th, 2010-PSSNY Convention @ Lake George, NY. This years theme is Medieval Times.
Joe stressed that PSSNY membership needs to increased by 6% to avoid laying-off staff.

- Legislative Report:

Pharmacist will need their own NPI numbers for transmission of Medicaid prescriptions. If you do not have a NPI number you can obtain one at the NPI home page. You may need to contact your software vendor to make this requirement. Also, remember to put the origin code when transmitting Medicaid and Medicare-D claims. Proposals are being made to reimburse independant pharmacies higher rate that chain pharmacies.

**March 3, 2010—Independent Pharmacy Owners Lobby Day. The focus will be on pharmacy reimbursement and Medicaid Inspector General Abusive practices.

April 13,2010 -- Pharmacy Lobby Day

- State Board of Pharmacy Report: John Navarra reported that the pass rate for compounding exam is about 80%. There is a State Board of Pharmacy and DOH initiative to have a non-patient specific standing order for immunizations for pharmacists.
John also reported that it is illegal for an agent to E-prescribe-only a physician can do so.
Board of Regents are to set guidelines for co-mingling issues (dispensing of multiple drugs in one package). It is not yet regulated and it is not illegal to do so.
- Dinner Dance Committee:
Dinner Dance will be held Saturday, March 20, 2010 at Leonards of Great Neck.

- Scholarship Committee: Stephanie reported that scholarship forms have been sent out. She urged all pharmacist to encourage all eligible students to apply and to get the applications in by first week of March.
- Good and Welfare: Steve Colobello's father passed away-wake at McMahon's Funeral Home in White Plains.

Next membership meeting will be held Thursday, March 11th, 2010

Change in date for April membership meeting-April 3rd, 2010

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