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#### Our Vision

That the Genesee County Medical Society maintain its position as the premier medical society by advocating on behalf of its physician members and patients.

#### **Our Mission**

The mission of the Genesee County Medical Society is leadership, advocacy, education, and service on behalf of its members and their patients.

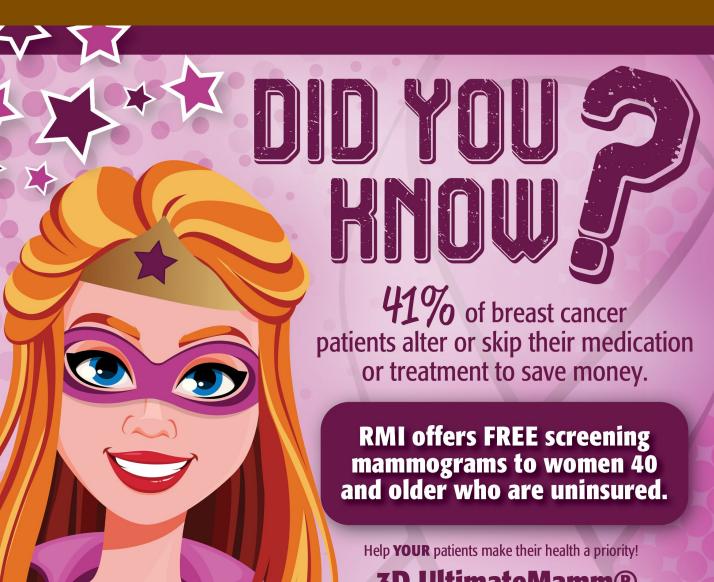
#### PLEASE NOTE

The GCMS Nominating Committee seeks input from members for nominations for the GCMS Presidential Citation for Lifetime Community Service. The Committee would like to be made aware of candidates for consideration.

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### **Farewell to our President**

And so the change of the Genesee County Presidency is upon us once again. It has been a challenging year for Dr. Sunilkumar Rao, and with great stride he accomplished the tasks he had set for himself as President of the 2020-2021 year. Not only did he pave the way for a better relationship with Greater Flint Coalition, he took on the task of bettering GCMS membership and made time to recruit for new members. He also created a common ground amongst the 3 major hospitals, helping create a united platform. It was a pleasure to have you serve our Board, our members and our community! What dedication and advocacy you have to your patients and fellow physicians as well! The transition between President's is complicated enough, but Dr. Rao did an impeccable job and created an environment so that everyone could be heard during the Board meetings, especially though these unprecedented times. Thank you for pouring into our lives! We thank you and your family for allowing us to monopolize your time, we also thank you for adjusting your schedules to help GCMS meet our goals! Such an act of servanthood helped pave the road and achieve another year of greatness for Genesee County Medical Society!

Dr. Rao, a written thank you, a gavel plaque or a grand President's Ball in your honor is not nearly enough gratitude. GCMS can exist because of the dedication of people like you! May the road ahead be full of success, and possibility!

Sincerely,

Your GCMS Family





Board of Directors November 23, 2021 6:00 p.m. Via Zoom

Practice Managers
December-Recessed

Medical Society Foundation January 19, 2022 6:00 p.m.

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## **EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S MESSAGE**

## Genesee County Medical Society Within the Community Assisting in Recognizing Clinical Excellence

The Genesee County Medical Society was recently contacted by Julie Forbush (Sovita Credit Union), to assist in recognizing and honoring outstanding medical clinicians within Genesee County. This was a tough assignment as there are many outstanding medical clinicians within the county. GCMS was honored to assist in the process.

The Genesee County Medical Society President, Dr. Sunilkumar Rao was contacted to identify outstanding medical clinicians within the Ascension Genesys organization to be recognized. Dr. Rao identified two individuals within Ascension Genesys "Who have given excellent patient care going above and beyond especially in the heart failure patients helping prevent readmissions". October 19, 2021 Dr. Sunil Rao, Jennifer Shew (Sovita Credit Union), and I met at Ascension Genesys Hospital to present the recognition awards.

Amy Mackie (Nurse Practitioner), and Kyle Richter (Physician Associate), were identified as the recipients for the recognition award. Amy and Kyle were presented with a framed certificate of recognition and a thank you gift basket full of treats.







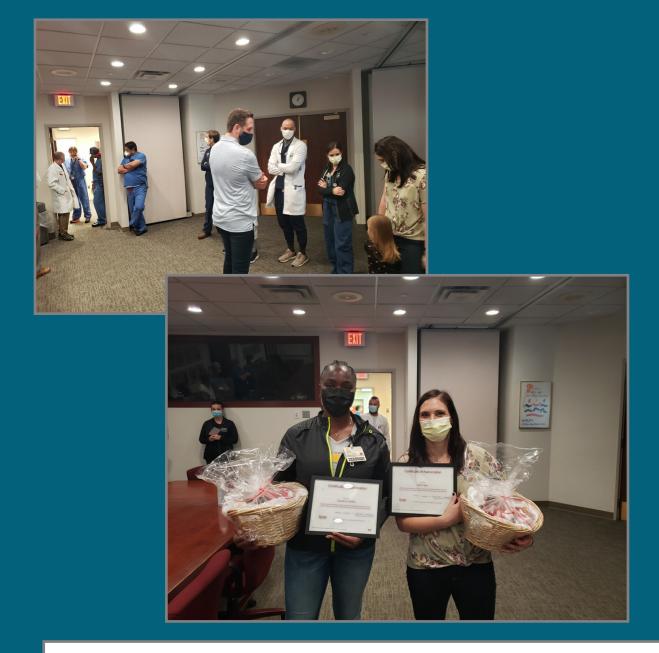
Julie Forbush, Jennifer Shew, and I met at McLaren Flint Hospital on October 6, 2021. Working at McLaren for over 36 years, I identified individuals from the cardiac surgery program that have displayed clinical excellence and dedication to the McLaren Flint open heart surgery program.

Three clinicians were chosen from McLaren Flint to be recognized. Nathan Ayers (Physician Associate), Stephanie Lamont (Physician Associate), and Pawel Karbowski (Physician Associate), were presented with a framed certificate of recognition and a thank you basket.





Melanie Krznarich and Barton Scotland of Hurley Hospital were contacted to recognize outstanding clinicians within their organization. Melanie and Barton identified two clinicians from Hurley Hospital to be recognized. October 13, 2021 Taneisha Franklin (Physician Associate), and Kelli Pyles (Physician Associate), were recognized for clinical excellence. Taneisha and Kelli were presented and received a framed certificate of recognition and a thank you basket.



If you have a recommendation for a medical professional who deserves recognition, please contact executive director@gcms.org.



DAVID HOFF, MA, CCP





## **Keep Genesee County Safe!**

- 1. Require Masks in your Practice
- 2. Practice Social Distancing in your Office
- 3. Educate your Patients on Vaccinations



# Why GCMS??

## **Genesee County Medical Society**

Organized Medicine's Leading Edge



#### MEMBERSHIP

Membership in the Genesee County Medical Society (GCMS) gives you the opportunity to share resources, discuss ideas, and network with some of the most active and respected physicians in the state. You will receive news and information via The Bulletin magazine, meetings, faxes, and emails. Because GCMS is politically aggressive, it can provide its members with myriad opportunities to shape the future of medicine locally, as well as on a state and national level.

When you join GCMS you also join the Michigan State Medical Society (MSMS). MSMS has experts to assist you with practice management, business strategies, third party reimbursements, and contracting issues.



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#### **TOP 7 REASONS TO JOIN**

- GCMS is an aggressive advocate on behalf of member physicians with thirdparty-payors.
- GCMS is an aggressive advocate on behalf of its members physicians and their patients with state and federal legislatures.
- When specific issues arise that require immediate action, email lasts are institute to communicate directly with members.
- GCMS convenes monthly meetings with Practice Managers in an effort to head off problems for physician practices and to find solutions to those that are identified.
- GCMS is a national leader by providing leadership at the state and federal level through volunteer physicians, staff, and Alliance member involvement leadership positions.
- GCMS is disproportionality influential on behalf of its member physicians and their patients.
  - GCMS holds monthly meetings with federal and state legislators, and communicates with them at other times on as as-needed basis.

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### **GUEST EDITORIAL**

## Genesee County Medical Society Alliance

The Genesee County Medical Society Alliance kicked off another fiscal year of volunteerism with the ever popular International Luncheon. Members from different ethnic backgrounds, like Bangla Desh, Canada, India, Jerusalem, Peru and South Korea are represented. We come together to give off our time to make a positive difference in the community while enjoying great camaraderie which helps unity in diversity.

A BIG THANK YOU to our very gracious hostess, Rumana Rashid. Thank you, also, to all the very talented chefs among us who brought delicious dishes to enjoy.

President, Lakshmi Tummala, welcomed the members and special guests, Valerie Doane-President MSMSA, Elizabeth Junewick-President-elect, Lisa Hildorf-Regional Director, Stacey Doyle-Executive Director, Genesee County Free Medical Clinic and Lisa Fockler-Executive Director, Genesee County Prevention Coalition who spoke about the role GCMSA plays in their organizations.



### **GCMSA October Membership Meeting at the FIA**

The Flint Cultural Center offers plenty to do for art and music aficionados. Hence, the October GCMSA Membership Meeting was held at the Flint Institute of Arts to enjoy the works of Israeli artist, Yigal Ozeri. We had a good turn out of members who met at the coffee shop to enjoy a light lunch before the tour. The adjacent gift shop offers beautiful and unique items to take home.

From there, we went to the theater where President, Lakshmi Tummala, held a brief meeting. Mary Ryan spoke about the significant role FIA plays in the Cultural Center. We, then, proceeded on to tour the several galleries in the building. Our first stop was to view the works of Israeli artist, Yigal Ozeri. His paintings on canvas are mind blowing. They looked so amazing that one would mistake them for photographs. From there, we moved on to other galleries that have art on canvas, sculptures as well as a big collection of porcelain and glass by world renowned artists. Some of the exhibits are on display year round that are made possible through generous contributions by local philanthropists. They have donated vast amounts to support the institute which helps bring traveling exhibits from all over the world. The on site library houses a huge collection on art from all over.

Thank you, FIA, for making world class art available to our small town, Flint, through your huge dedicated efforts. The admission is free for all Genesee County residents. I would encourage everyone to support the Institute through your membership with a nominal amount of \$50 per year.











Lakshmi Tummala



# ATTENTION: PRACTICE MANAGERS AND OFFICE STAFF!

# Genesee County Medical Society addresses issues of concern for medical professionals!

Please join GCMS and SOVITA in monthly meetings for practice managers and office staff of *all member physicians*.

Please email executivedirector@gcms.org to RSVP,

Come and meet your fellow Practice Managers <u>IN PERSON!</u>

NEXT MEETING DATE:

January 13, 2022 TIME: TBD

You do not want your Practice Manager to miss out on these valuable meetings!







## Easy Ways to Donate to the Medical Society Foundation:

The Medical Society Foundation is engaged in a Capitol Campaign. The purpose of the Campaign is to grow the corpus to support the charitable activities of the Genesee County Medical Society. Those activities include public and community health, support for the underserved, and wellness initiatives.

To continue its good work, the Medical Society Foundation is asking you to consider leaving a legacy gift to the Foundation. If all, or even a significant portion of our membership left just a small part of our estates to the Foundation, the Foundation could continue helping this community in so many ways, by supporting the Medical Society.

To make a gift, simply use these words:

In your Trust, "Grantor directs Trustee to distribute \_\_\_% of all assets then held in Trust or later added to this Trust to the Medical Society Foundation, to be held in an endowed fund and used in the discretion of its then existing board of directors in furtherance of the purposes of the Foundation."

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While this is not a subject that is comfortable to broach, it is an opportunity to support the Foundation which supports the Medical Society's charitable activities on behalf of the membership. Please give. You can give via a trust or will. You can give from your IRA. You can give appreciated stock, and you can give cash. Please support the organization which does so much on behalf of the medical community and the patients we serve.





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Coronavirus (COVID-19) Data Dashboard for Genesee County



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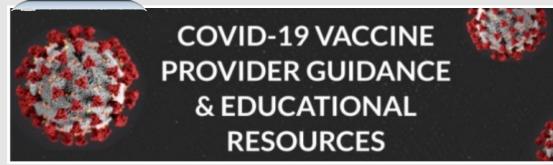


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**COVID-19 VACCINE PLAN** 



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Contributions can also be made in memory of an individual or to honor someone.

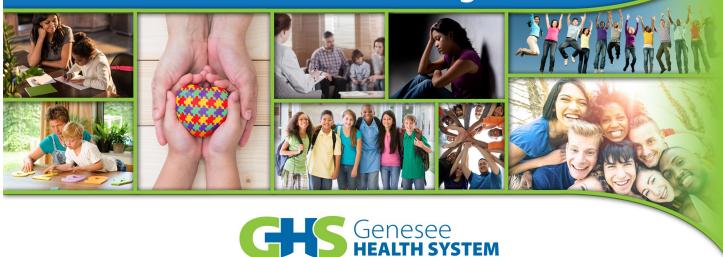
For questions or information on how your gift can help support the charitable activities of your Medical Society Foundation contact GCMS at 733-9923 or email executivedirector@gcms.org

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