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Overview of the Records

Repository:	New York State Archives
Summary:	Among the records in this series are documents from a November 27, 2001 public hearing on the diagnosis and treatment of Lyme disease. That hearing addressed the long-term use of intravenous antibiotic treatment in cases of chronic Lyme disease. Several physicians were under investigation for administering this treatment. Records include written testimony from medical professionals, including supporting medical literature; and correspondence from individuals recounting their experience seeking treatment for symptoms that some physicians linked to chronic Lyme disease.
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Arrangement

L0167-02: Arranged by witness or correspondent, in no particular order.

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Scope and Content Note

L0167-02: This accretion documents a November 27, 2001 public hearing devoted to the diagnosis and treatment of Lyme disease. The hearing addressed an ongoing controversy in the medical community concerning the use of long-term intravenous antibiotic treatment on patients diagnosed with chronic Lyme disease. Several physicians administering this regimen were under investigation and facing possible suspension by the Department of Health's Office of Professional Medical Conduct for employing costly, unnecessary, and even dangerous forms

of treatment. Health insurance providers in many cases refused to pay claims submitted for long-term antibiotic treatment.

L0167-02: Records in the accretion include written testimony submitted by medical professionals, including supporting medical literature and documentation; and correspondence submitted by numerous individuals recounting their experiences seeking treatment for symptoms that some physicians linked to chronic Lyme disease.

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Use of Records

Access Restrictions

There are no restrictions regarding access to or use of this material.

Access Terms

- Neurology
- Public health
- Administering public health
- Immunologic diseases
- Correspondence
- New York (State)
- Lyme disease--New York (State)
- New York (State)--Politics and government
- Testimonies
- Public health laws--New York (State)
- Hearing