

Latest PPS News

Barriers & Gaps in Long Term Care

Survey Responses Due June 18

Dr. Howard Zucker, NYS Commissioner of Health, and Greg Olsen, Acting Director of the NYS Office for the Aging, are requesting your participation in a survey on barriers and gaps in New York's long term care system. Read their joint letter [here](#).

Your responses are due by June 18, 2018.

This survey is the first step toward creating a State strategy to help meet the needs of our aging population now and in the future. The survey link is here:

<https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/HM9DM97>

Please contact the Aging and Long Term Care Team at ALTCteam@health.ny.gov with any questions.

TimeBank Expands to the Bronx

BPHC Innovation Fund Project

When Mary retired after 40 years as a psychiatric nurse, she knew she wanted to stay busy.

She began teaching free English classes at SUNY Attain Lab through ArchCare TimeBank, a volunteer service exchange program, sponsored by ArchCare, the healthcare ministry of the Archdiocese of New York.

For Mary, it was rewarding and stimulating to be sharing her skills with her community. When Mary had to take two months off for surgery and rehab, students from her class and other TimeBank members visited and even escorted her to doctor visits.

The TimeBank model is simple. TimeBank members give their time to help other people or organizations and, in turn, receive services for themselves.

As a BPHC Innovation Fund award recipient, ArchCare has expanded its TimeBank to the Bronx. [Read more](#).



TimeBank services run the spectrum, including friendly calls and visits, errands, minor home repairs, reading to someone, and cellphone and computer lessons.

Bronx Community Health Dashboards

New dashboards, created by Montefiore's Office of Community and Population Health, provide up-to-date information on the health status and health behaviors of Bronx residents. These dashboards can be incorporated into your presentations, grants, reports or lectures.

Here is the link:

<http://www.montefiore.org/population-health-dashboards>

Topics include:

- Asthma
- Cancer
- Communicable Disease
- Diabetes
- Drug Abuse and Opioids
- HIV/Aids
- Influenza
- Maternal and Child Health
- Mental Health
- Nutrition, Physical Activity & Obesity
- Sexually Transmitted Diseases
- Smoking
- Violence

New NYC Report: Depression in Adults

The Health Department released its first comprehensive data brief on depression among New York City adults. The report examines depression rates among race/ethnic groups and risk factors for depression, including employment status, personal safety and chronic diseases. Nine percent of NYC adults experienced depression in 2016.

The data will be used to inform the Health Department's mental health initiatives.

The Health Department [press release is here](#). The [full report is here](#).

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