### **BPHC E-Bulletin**



## BRONX PARTNERS FOR HEALTHY COMMUNITIES

# Latest PPS News

## Creating Healthy Buildings for Asthma Patients

BPHC's Innovation Fund initiative is helping to expand a program to create healthier housing for Bronx residents living with asthma.

The program, called Healthy Buildings, is a project of the Northwest Bronx Community & Clergy Coalition (NWBCCC) that addresses the high rates of asthma among community members by making their buildings healthier to live in.

BPHC began an Innovation Fund initiative with NWBCCC last October to bring the Healthy Buildings program to additional multi-family buildings in the northwest and central Bronx. Through housing and hospital admissions data, the program identifies buildings referred to as asthma "hot spots" -- areas with high rates of asthma and asthma-related ED and hospital admissions.

"Our Healthy Buildings Teams work with landlords and building management to identify and reduce asthma triggers present in buildings and engage tenants to advocate and take control of their health," says Sandra Lobo, NWBCCC Executive Director. "It's a multi-pronged approach that addresses the disproportionate rate of asthma in our borough and fosters community empowerment."

Read full story.



NWBCCC's building assessment at Bailey Houses as part of the Healthy Buildings program helped secure \$3 million in capital funding to NYCHA to repair the roof. Pictured: NYS Assemblyman Victor M. Pichardo presents check to members of the Bailey Houses Tenants Association.

## Happy New Year

As a new year begins, would like to thank you for your commitment to giving our patients and clients the high quality, coordinated healthcare they deserve. We appreciate your participation in our PPS and your engagement in the healthcare transformation we are working to achieve.

Our best wishes for a happy and healthy year!

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### Important Resources

#### Bronx Resource Directory

## A guide to Bronx health and community services

BPHC has developed an online directory of our member organizations and the range of health and community services they offer.

We've had a very positive response from agencies that find it a very useful tool in identifying local resources for patient and clients.

This directory is available to all organizations and the public.

Visit: BronxResourceDirectory.org

Email questions to info@bronxphc.org.

### **BPHC Research**

# How Bronx community members use healthcare

**Download** BPHC's research on how Bronx residents use and learn about healthcare including:

Likelihood of having a PCP

Barriers to accessing care

Awareness of urgent care centers

How they'd like their providers to communicate for scheduling and appointment reminders

The communication channels they use to learn about healthcare and local health programs

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