

The following information regarding membership and meeting information for the Health Benefit Exchange Regional Advisory Committees is publicly available at www.HealthCareReform.ny.gov/health_insurance_exchange/regional_advisory_committees.

Health Benefit Exchange Regional Advisory Committees

The New York Health Benefit Exchange has established five Regional Advisory Committees pursuant to [Governor Cuomo's Executive Order No. 42](#) to provide advice and make recommendations on the establishment and operation of the Exchange, including recommendations about relevant regional factors. The five Committees represent the following regions of the state:

- Western NY
- Central NY/Finger Lakes
- Capital District/Mid-Hudson/Northern NY
- New York City/Metro
- Long Island

Each committee is comprised of representatives of consumers, small business, health care providers, insurance agents and brokers, labor organizations and other stakeholders. The members of each committee are as follows:

Western NY

- Frederick Cohen, Medicaid Managed Care Advisory Review Panel
- Anne Constantino, Horizon Health Services
- Dr. Michael Cropp, Independent Health
- Patty De Vinney, Western New York Area Labor Federation
- Patrick Frawley, Fidelis Care
- Jared Gross, Health Now New York
- Dr. Bill Hall, AARP
- Donna Kahm, Southern Tier Health Care System
- Chris Kempton, Walsh Duffield Companies
- Ellen Kennedy, Citizen Action
- Dr. Thomas Madejski, Medical Society of the State of NY
- Joe McDonald, Catholic Health System
- Ann Monroe, Community Health Foundation of Western and Central NY
- Brian Murphy, Lawley Benefits Group
- Betty Murphy, WNY Auto Dealers Association
- Kenneth Perri, Legal Assistance of Western New York
- Dennis Richardson, Hillside Family Agencies
- Terri Schelter, Health Care For All NY
- Paul Stasiak, WNY Auto Dealers Association
- Dr. Edward Stehlik, American College of Physicians, NY Chapter
- Linda Taylor, Brown & Brown of New York
- Todd Trantum, Chautauqua County Chamber of Commerce
- Craig Turner, Buffalo Niagara Partnership
- Kim Urbach, Coalition of School Based Health Centers

Central NY/Finger Lakes

- B. Reuben Auspitz, Manning & Napier Advisors
- Carl Austin, Bowers & Company
- Christopher Booth, Excellus
- Lenore Boris, SUNY Upstate College of Medicine
- Frank Caliva, Greater Syracuse Chamber of Commerce Foundation
- Mary Clark, Citizen Action
- Ruben Cowart, Syracuse Community Health Center
- Trilby de Jung, Empire Justice Center
- Rose DiVirgilio, DiVirgilio Benefit Resources
- Terrence Engels, ENV Insurance Agency
- Pam Everingham, Onondaga Nation
- Gary Fitzgerald, Iroquois Healthcare Alliance
- Andi Gladstone, NYS Breast Cancer Network
- Daniel Goetzmann, Goetzmann & Associates
- Steven Goldstein, Strong Memorial and Highland Hospitals
- Andrea Haradon, S2AY Rural Health Network
- Barbara Ann Heegan, Otsego County Chamber of Commerce
- Beth Hilton, Greater Oswego-Fulton Chamber of Commerce
- John Holleran, Perry & Carroll
- Dr. Denise Karsten, NYS Chiropractic Association
- David Klein, Excellus BlueCross BlueShield
- Jeremy Klemanski, Syracuse Behavioral Health
- Michael Leary, Regional Primary Care Network
- Dr. Joseph Maldonado, Medical Society of the State of NY
- Jean McPheeters, Tompkins County Chamber of Commerce
- Jeffrey Nagel, Mitchell-Nagel & Associates
- Wade Norwood, Finger Lakes Health Systems Agency
- Kevin O'Keefe, Gallagher Benefit Services
- David Oliker, MVP
- Sandra Parker, Rochester Business Alliance
- Meg Parsons, Oneida Nation
- Maureen Pelose, Brown & Brown Empire State
- Carrie Peterson, Seneca Nation Health System
- Marilyn Pinsky, AARP
- Chandler Ralph, Adirondack Medical Center
- Rob Simpson, CenterState Corporation for Economic Opportunity
- Dr. Joseph Stankaitis, Monroe Plan
- Christine Wagner, St. Joseph's Neighborhood Center
- Lea Webb, Health Care For All New York
- Steve Wood, AIDS Community Resources
- Mary Zelazny, Finger Lakes Migrant and Community Health

Capital District/Mid-Hudson/Northern NY

- Steve Acquario, NYS Association of Counties
- Mark Baker, Cool Insuring Agency
- David Bauer, Capital Bauer Agency
- Dr. John Bennett, CDPHP
- Kate Breslin, Schuyler Center for Analysis and Advocacy
- Dr. Jason Brown, NYS Chiropractic Association
- Dr. Alvaro Carrascal, American Cancer Society
- Georganne Chapin, Hudson Health Plan
- Bob Cohen, Citizen Action/Public Policy and Education Fund
- Dan Colacino, NYS Association of Health Underwriters
- Lauri Cole, NYS Council for Community Behavioral Healthcare
- Kevin Connally, Hope House
- John Coppola, NY Association of Alcoholism and Substance Abuse Providers
- Joe D'Allaird, St. Peter's Health Partners
- Paul DiFabion, Benefit Services
- Keith Dolan, Rose & Kiernan
- Garry Douglas, Plattsburgh-North Country Chamber of Commerce
- Sally Dreslin, NYS Nurses Association
- Mark Eagan, Albany-Colonie Regional Chamber of Commerce
- Caren Fairweather, Maternal-Infant Services Network of Orange, Sullivan and Ulster Counties
- Gary Fitzgerald, Iroquois Healthcare Alliance
- Lev Ginsburg, Business Council of NYS
- Jeff Gold, Healthcare Association of NYS
- Denise Gonick, MVP
- Dr. Robert Hughes, Medical Society of the State of NY
- Lara Kassel, Medicaid Matters New York
- David Kruczlnicki, Glens Falls Hospital
- David Lundquist, Kingston Hospital
- Paul Macielak, NY Health Plan Association
- Debra Martin, St. Regis Mohawk
- David McNally, AARP
- Karin Moran, National Association of Social Workers-NYS
- Peter Newell, United Hospital Fund
- Brian O'Grady, BlueShield of Northeastern NY
- Ron Quartimon, Capital District Black Chamber of Commerce
- Dr. Mary Rapazzo, American College of Physicians, NY Chapter
- Dr. John Ruge, Hudson Headwaters Health Network
- Al Samuels, Rockland Business Association
- Mark Scherzer, Health Care For All NY
- Joel Seligman, Northern Westchester Hospital
- Ryan Silva, Rensselaer County Regional Chamber of Commerce
- Michael Smith, New Paltz Regional Chamber of Commerce
- Charles Steiner, Chamber Alliance of NYS
- Lori Thompson, St. Regis Mohawk
- Fran Turner, CSEA
- Ellie Ward, Academy of Pediatrics
- Vicky Wheaton-Saraceni, Adirondack Health Institute

New York City/Metro

- Noilyn Abesamis-Mendoza, Project Charge
- Nisha Agarwal, The Center for Popular Democracy
- Vince Ashton, HealthPass
- Joseph Baker, Medicare Rights Center
- Linda Baran, Staten Island Chamber of Commerce
- Elisabeth Benjamin, Community Services Society
- Alice Berger, Planned Parenthood of New York City
- Cara Berkowitz, UJA-Federation of New York
- Maura Bluestone, Affinity Health Plan
- Michele Bonan, American Cancer Society
- Dr. Jo Ivey Boufford, New York Academy of Medicine
- Wendy Brennan, National Alliance on Mental Illness of NYC
- Pat Celli, United Healthcare
- Andrea Cohen, Office of the Mayor of New York City
- Kevin Dahill, Nassau-Suffolk Hospital Council
- Kerry DeWitt, New York Presbyterian Hospital
- Susan Dooha, Center for the Independence of the Disabled
- Dan Finke, Emblem Health
- Beth Finkel, AARP
- Kevin Finnegan, SEIU 1199
- Dr. Bradley Flansbaum, American College of Physicians, NY Chapter
- Jack Friedman, Queens Chamber of Commerce
- Ben Geyerhahn, Small Business Majority
- William Golden, United Healthcare
- Lorraine Gonzalez, Children's Defense Fund-New York
- Lou Gordon, Business and Labor Coalition of New York
- Marsha Gordon, Westchester Business Council
- Mark Hannay, Metro NY Health Care for All Campaign
- Gay Hartigan, Liberty Behavioral Health
- Craig Hasday, Frenkel & Company
- Paloma Hernandez, Urban Health Plan
- Bill Hohlfeld, Metallic Lathers and Ironworkers Local 46
- Dr. Andrew Kleinman, Medical Society of the State of NY
- Ilene Margolin
- Monica Miller, Freelancers Insurance Company
- William Mooney, Westchester County Association
- Dr. Christine Morrison, NYS Association of Neuropsychology
- Mary Beth Morrissey, Fordham University
- Jeanette Nigro, Brooklyn Chamber of Commerce
- Theo Oshiro, Make the Road NY
- Nancy Ploeger, Manhattan Chamber of Commerce
- Ellen Rautenberg, Public Health Solutions
- Kathy Riddle, Outreach
- Carol Rodat, PHI
- Margaret Rogers, Coalition of School Based Health Centers
- Chuck Rollins, Rollins Insurance
- Dr. Steven Safyer, Montefiore Medical Center
- David Sandman, NYS Health Foundation

- Arnold Saperstein, MetroPlus
- Kathy Shure, Greater NY Hospital Association
- Dr. Michael Stocker
- Chris Swanker, The Guardian Life Insurance Company
- Dr. Hal Teitelbaum, Crystal Run Healthcare
- Suki Terada Ports, Family Health Project
- Dr. Sam Louis Unterricht, Medical Society of the State of NY
- Lois Uttley, Raising Women's Voices--NY
- Liliana Vaamonde, Legal Aid Society
- Jackie Vimo, NY Immigration Coalition
- Mark Wagar, Wellpoint
- Kimberly Williams, Mental Health Association of NYC
- Pat Wang, HealthFirst
- Robert Wychulis, AMERIGROUP Community Care
- Dr. Linda Young Landesman

Long Island

- Lou Basso, The Alcott Group/National Association of Professional Employers, NYS Chapter
- Dr. David BenEliyahu, NYS Chiropractic Association
- Brian Currie, Long Island Health Network
- Kevin Dahill, Nassau-Suffolk Hospital Council
- Howard Gold, North Shore LIJ
- Mark Jaffe, Greater NY Chamber of Commerce
- Lisa Kessler, Central Nassau Guidance & Counseling Services
- Steve Logan, Aetna
- Dan McCarthy, HealthFirst
- Gwen O'Shea, Health and Welfare Council of Long Island
- Dr. Charles Rothberg, Medical Society of the State of NY
- Jay Schoenfeld, Emblem Health
- James Schutzer, J.D. Moschitto & Associates
- Denise Smith, AARP
- Lisa Tyson, Long Island Progressive Coalition
- Robert Wychulis, AMERIGROUP Community Care

September 2012 Exchange Regional Advisory Committee Meetings

Each Committee will hold its first meeting in September 2012. These meetings will be shown via live webcast. Viewers can watch the meetings live (and archived video after they are held) through the links below.

The public is asked to register in advance to attend a meeting through its registration page. (Those planning to watch via the live webcast do not need to register.) All attendees should bring picture ID for access to buildings.

- [September 2012 Meeting Agenda](#) (PDF)
- [September 2012 Meeting Presentation](#) (PDF)

Region	Date and Time	Location	Webcast Video Page	Registration Page
Western NY	Thursday, September 13, 2012 1:00pm to 4:00pm	Roswell Park Cancer Institute Research Study Center, Gaylord Cary Room Buffalo, NY	Click here to watch	Click here to register
Central NY/Finger Lakes	Friday, September 14, 2012 10:00am to 1:00pm	Department of Health Regional Office 335 East Main St Rochester, NY	Click here to watch	Click here to register
Capital District/Mid-Hudson/Northern NY	Wednesday, September 19, 2012 10:30am to 1:30pm	Empire State Plaza Concourse Meeting Room 6 Albany, NY	Click here to watch via Windows Media Click here to watch via Real Media	Click here to register
New York City / Metro	Tuesday, September 25, 2012 10:00am to 1:00pm	DOH Regional Office, 90 Church Street Conference Room A&B New York, NY	Click here to watch	Click here to register
Long Island	Monday September 24, 2012 1:00pm to 4:00pm	SUNY Old Westbury Student Union, Multi Purpose Room 223 Store Hill Road Old Westbury, NY	Click here to watch	Click here to register

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