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# Weekly Update

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## BRONX HEALTH ACCESS PPS

### Recent Events

#### **Town Hall Meeting**

Last Friday, Bronx Lebanon Health Access held a town hall meeting to share the latest developments with Performing Provider System (PPS) implementation of the Delivery System Reform Incentive Payment (DSRIP) program. A wide range of community representatives were in attendance. The audience heard about the PPS's progress on individual DSRIP projects and the opportunity for additional partners to join the Bronx Lebanon provider network. The PPS Lead presented the criteria for PPS Network Additions, gave updates on important upcoming New York State webinars, and reported progress on the implementation plan submission for Quarter 1 of DSRIP Demonstration Year 1.

The Stakeholder Engagement Committee gave a "DSRIP 101" presentation which generated conversation about the how the PPS would continue to be productive in a Value-Based Payment (VBP) environment. Finally, the Workforce Committee gave a presentation on their work plan and informed participants of their effort to work across the PPS and streamline activities in order to reach program milestones. The Committee showed a video with footage from Bronx Lebanon that will be used to educate providers on what DSRIP is and how it may impact their jobs. That video and meeting materials are available on the [BL PPS website](#).

Roy Wallach (Arms Acers/Conifer Park) from the Bronx Health Access Stakeholder Engagement Committee presents "DSRIP 101" to Town Hall participants at Wave Hill on 9/25/15.

#### **Cultural Competency and Health Literacy Workgroup Kickoff**

Last week, members of the Cultural Competency and Health Literacy (CC-HL) workgroup convened for the first time to start developing cultural competency strategies for Bronx Health Access. The DSRIP program requires PPSs to demonstrate a clear cultural competence and willingness to engage Medicaid members in system transformation efforts, including addressing health disparities. At the kickoff meeting, the workgroup discussed the importance of cultural competence as it relates to the

diverse patient population served throughout the PPS network and reviewed milestones and tasks submitted in the PPS implementation plan. At future meetings, the workgroup plans to look at the populations prioritized through the PPS Community Needs Assessment (CNA), discuss what other data might be needed, and review existing CC-HL strategies that may be leveraged.

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## Committee Updates

### **IT Committee**

The IT Committee is working with multiple organizations to pilot the Actively Engaged patient data extraction template. After the pilot, the IT Committee will engage additional organizations to ramp up the extraction of data from all organizations.

The IT Committee held a Customer Relationship Management (CRM) Software demo day on October 1st. This demo day was a crucial step in selecting a CRM vendor.

### **Finance Committee**

The Finance Committee had several Committees and Cross-Functional Workgroups present updated and revised budgets. KPMG also presented an initial funds flow methodology.

### **Workforce Committee**

The Chairs of the Workforce Committee presented an update on their work at the September 25th Town Hall Meeting. The deadline for the committee to submit its target goals of workers who will be hired, redeployed, and trained has been moved from DY1, Q3 to DY1, Q4. The committee has contracted with the Training and Education Fund to form the Bronx Health Access Workforce Center which will provide training and redeployment services to all partners regardless of union affiliation. The committee is in the process of contracting with a vendor to survey all projects and partners about their current workforce, and future workforce needs, later this fall.

### **Upcoming Committee and Town Hall meetings**

Please visit <http://blhcpps.org> for the latest and most up to date information on upcoming PPS Committees and Town Hall meetings.

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## State DSRIP Update

### **PPS Learning Symposium Presentations Available Online**

The First Annual PPS Learning Symposium was a tremendous success! The NYS Department of Health has posted all of the presentations from each session to the DSRIP Website. The resources can be found [here](#) under the "PPS Workshops" section.

### **DSRIP Program White Board Video Series**

The NY Department of Health announced the latest in the DSRIP Program White Board Video Series - a DSRIP Update. New York's Medicaid Director, Jason Helgerson, discussed key DSRIP updates highlighting the PPS shift from planning to implementation, Value Based Payment pilot opportunities, PPS network additions and the DSRIP midpoint assessment. The video can be viewed [here](#).

### Medicaid Member Opt-out Letter

On Tuesday, October 6th from 10:00 a.m. - 11:30 a.m., the Department of Health (DOH) will host a webinar to discuss the mailing to Medicaid beneficiaries to explain DSRIP and data-sharing. There will be a presentation to explain DSRIP, the letter, data-sharing, the timetable, and call center support. Following the presentation, there will be a question and answer period. This webinar is open to the public. Please register for this webinar through [this link](#). Once registered, you will receive dial-in information. Prior to this call, the DOH will circulate the Opt-Out Letter for your reference.

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## DSRIP in the News

### [City hospital lead to reorganize hierarchy, emphasize ambulatory care](#)

*Capital New York*

Dr. Ram Raju, president and CEO of the Health and Hospitals Corporation (HHC), is restructuring HHC services to align with DSRIP. In the new model, there will be three lines of service: in-patient care, long-term and post-acute care, and ambulatory care.

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