



NYAPRS 26th Annual Legislative Day Program

February 28, 2023

Hart Auditorium at The Egg, Albany, NY

Program Schedule

9:30 am Reception, Breakfast Eileen Crosby, Nicole Rodriguez, NYAPRS

10:00 am Welcome Taina Laing, Baltic St AEH, Jeremy Reuling, People USA, NYAPRS Board Co-chairs; Harvey Rosenthal, Luke Sikinyi NYAPRS

10:05 am NYAPRS 2023-2024 Public Policy Priorities Presentations

- 1. Save our Staff and Services! Fund an 8.5% Cost of Living Adjustment and \$500 Million Investment in Community Recovery Services for Community Based Mental Health and Addiction Recovery Agencies**
 - Glenn Liebman, MHANYS; Maria Kavouras, People USA; Erin Moran, NYAPRS
- 2. Funding for New and Existing Housing**
 - Doug Cooper, Association for Community Living; Jordyn Rosenthal, Community Access
- 3. Oppose Expansions in Kendra's Law and Coercion**
- 4. OUTREACH and ENGAGEMENT**

Approve Governor's \$2.8 million allocation for 3 new **INSET Peer Intensive and Sustained Engagement Teams** *Dillon Browne, MHA of Westchester*
- 5. Pass Daniel's Law (S.2398/A.2210)**, Stanley Martin, Parole & Reentry Coordinator, VOCAL-NY
- HOSPITAL DIVERSION PROGRAMS**
- 6. 3 Peer Crisis Respite Houses** *Maria Kavouras, People USA*
- 7. EVIDENCE BASED POST HOSPITAL DISCHARGE SERVICES**
 - **Someone To Walk Alongside You Through Admission, Discharge and in the Community: 3 Peer Bridger Programs** *Harvey Rosenthal, NYAPRS*
 - **A Place to Live: Housing that will Accept not Exclude People in Crisis 500 Pathways Housing First programs**
Shelly Nortz, Coalition for the Homeless
 - **A Place to Go: 3 Clubhouse rehabilitation programs** in upstate New York. *Nancy Singh, Restoration Society Inc*
- 8. Pass Clean Slate (S.211/A.1029)**, Ismael Diaz Jr., Advocate, Center for Community Alternatives (CCA)
- 9. Pass Treatment not Jail (S.2881B/A8524A)**, Kimberly Blair, Director of Public Policy & Advocacy, National Alliance on Mental Illness NYC



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11:05 am FEATURED SPEAKERS

- **Jihoon Kim**, Deputy Secretary for Human Services and Mental Hygiene
- **Dr. Ann Sullivan**, Commissioner, NYS Office of Mental Health
- **Assemblymember Aileen Gunther**, Chair, Assembly Mental Health Committee
- **Senator Samra Brouk**, Senate Mental Health Committee Chair
- **Senator Julia Salazar**, Senate Crime Victims, Crime and Corrections Committee Chair

11:45 am LUNCH at the EGG

12:15 pm March to the Capital!

1:00 pm Capital News Conference, Rally Million Dollar Staircase 3rd floor

1:45 pm Face to Face or Zoom Calls with Legislators and/or Staff

4:00 pm Return Home

The New York Association of Psychiatric Rehabilitation services is a state and national change agent dedicated to improving services, public policies and social conditions for people with mental health, substance use and trauma-related challenges, by promoting health, wellness, rights and recovery, with full community inclusion, so that all may achieve maximum potential in communities of choice.

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