

STATE OF NEW YORK
PUBLIC HEALTH AND HEALTH PLANNING COUNCIL

HEALTH PLANNING COMMITTEE

February 8, 2023
1:30 p.m. – 4:30 p.m.

- **90 Church Street, Conference Rooms 4 A/B, NYC**
- **Empire State Plaza, Concourse Level, Meeting Room 6, Albany**

I. Welcoming Remarks

- a. Dr. John Morley, Deputy Commissioner, DOH Office of Primary Care and Health Systems Management

II. Meeting Call to Order (Dr. John Rugge)

- a. Topic: Emergency Department Wait Times: Identifying the Problem, Reviewing Causal Data, and Committee Discussion

III. Description of Issue and Supporting Data (DOH Staff)

- a. Review of Problem (Steven P. Dziura Jr., Deputy Director, DOH Bureau of Emergency Medical Services)
- b. Review of Emergency Department Data (Dr. Gene Heslin, First Deputy Commissioner, DOH)
- c. Q&A from Committee members on data presentations

IV. External Speakers (Called by Dr. John Rugge)

- a. Emergency Response Stakeholder
 - i. SEMSCO Member and Former Chair, Mark Philippy, B.A., EMT-P
- b. Emergency Department Stakeholder
 - i. Jeremy T. Cushman, MD EMT-P FACEP FAEMS, New York American College of Emergency Physicians
- c. Hospital Associations
 - i. Healthcare Association of New York State (HANYS), Karen Roach, Vice President of Regulatory Affairs
 - ii. Greater New York Hospital Association (GNYHA), Dr. Erin DuPree, Senior Vice President and Physician Executive, and Alison Burke, Vice President of Regulatory and Professional Affairs
 - iii. Iroquois Healthcare Association, Gary Fitzgerald, President & CEO
 - iv. Suburban Hospital Alliance of New York, Wendy Darwell, President & CEO
- d. Q&A from Committee members for external speakers

V. Case Example: Innovative Virtual Health Models Seeking to Address this Issue

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 - a. Dr. Nicholas Gavin, Mt. Sinai Vice Chair for Population Health and Clinical Innovation
 - b. Q&A from members on presentation
- VI. **Committee's Role** (Dr. John Rugge)
- a. Develop a process to further investigate the issue of ED wait times and address how to plan for emergency response in the healthcare system
 - b. Identify models and/or case examples that exist nationally and in other states to address the issue of long ED wait times, including what regulatory, statutory, and/or policy guidance underlies those models
 - c. Provide update on work of Committee for PHHPC on April 18, 2023
- VII. **Open Committee Discussion** (Moderated by Dr. John Rugge)
- a. Data or other resources needed to explore issue further
 - b. Models or case examples identified by Committee members to investigate further
 - c. Possible obstacles identified by Committee members
- VIII. **Next Steps** (Dr. John Rugge)
- a. Next Committee meeting date - TBD