

Welcome

The Montefiore Hudson Valley Collaborative (MHVC) newsletter strives to keep you up-to-date on relevant DSRIP activities, events and resources.

Allison McGuire on Weekend Healthy Chat

Middletown Community Health Center Hosts MHVC's Executive Director on Public Affairs Radio Show



Allison McGuire, executive director of the Montefiore Hudson Valley Collaborative, appeared on Weekend Healthy Chat on Sunday, November 29. The radio show, a production of our partner organization Middletown Community Health Center, airs Sundays at 7 a.m. on WYNY (106.9 FM), WDLC (107.7 FM) and WALL (1340 AM) .

Weekend Healthy Chat with Board-Certified pediatrician, Dr. Sara J. Little is an award winning public affairs radio program. [Click here](#) to listen as Dr. Sara and Allison discuss the ins and outs of DSRIP including, New York State's opt-out process, behavioral health integration and MHVC's smoking cessation collaboration.

Practice Transformation Network (PTN) Grant Webinar

MHVC Hosts Webinar with Care Transitions Network for People with Serious Mental Illness

On December 16, MHVC collaborated with the Care Transitions Network for People with Serious Mental Illness to host a webinar on the Practice Transformation Network (PTN) grant. The webinar provided information on how MHVC partners can apply for the grant. The Care Transitions Network is a partnership between the National Council for Behavioral Health, Montefiore Medical Center, North Shore-LIJ Health System, the New York State Office of Mental Health, and Netsmart Technologies. Over the next four years the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services will fund the Care Transitions Network to provide training and technical assistance that will bolster statewide policy and practice-level initiatives to better manage patient care. The [Care Transitions Network for People with Serious Mental Illness](#) seeks to reduce all cause re-hospitalization rates for people with serious mental illness by building a network of inpatient, outpatient, behavioral health and primary care practices across the State of New York.

Click [here](#) to register for the webinar and a recording of the presentation will be emailed to you. The letter of intent for the grant can be found [here](#).

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Key Dates & Events

[Dec. 23- Application Due for State Dormitory Authority Non-Profit Infrastructure Capital Investment Program](#)

[Jan. 21 & 22- DSRIP Project Approval and Oversight Panel Downstate Meeting, Eisner & Lubin Auditorium at NYU](#)

Training Resources

MHVC is committed to helping you identify free and low cost training opportunities.

Advancing Cultural Competence Workshop

Free Online Certificate Program through the University of Albany



The School of Public Health at the University of Albany is offering PPS participants throughout the state access to a free cultural competence online certificate program.

[“Advancing Cultural Competence in the Public](#)

[Health and Healthcare Workforce”](#) is the first structural competence certificate program in the country. Structural competence refers to the capacity of practitioners to recognize and respond to the ways in which broad social, political and economic structures contribute to the vulnerability and ill health of the individuals and communities that Medicaid serves.

The program offers certificates in structural competency for American Indian, Latino/a, African American, black, and Asian populations in New York. To obtain a certificate or to take one of the archived courses participants must register through the NY state Department of Health Learning Management System. If you have questions about the program please contact advancingcc@albany.edu

IHI Offers Free Online Course in Quality Improvement

Continuing Education Credit Available for Nominal Fee

Beginning on January 20, The Institute for Healthcare Improvement (IHI) is offering an online course in quality improvement entitled [Practical Improvement Science in Health Care: A Roadmap for Getting Results](#). The course will provide students with valuable skills and tools that will help them to translate promising innovations and evidence into practice. Eligible students who complete the six week course with a grade of 70% or higher will be able to purchase six continuing education credit hours.

Dr. Gutnick Represents MHVC at Institute for Healthcare Improvement Conference



Dr. Damara Gutnick, medical director for MHVC spoke at the Institute for Healthcare Improvement’s winter conference in Orlando, Florida on December 7 and 8. Pictured here with Steve Miccio and Joshua Gran from our partner People Inc., Dr. Gutnick was a co-presenter at a workshop entitled “Understanding What Matter’s to Patients and Families”.

Resources

- [MHVC Website](#)
- [NY State DSRIP Website](#)
- [Sept. 2015 – NY State DSRIP Update Video](#)
- [Sept. 2015- NY State Learning Symposium Presentations](#)
- [DSRIP, Opt-Out Talking Points for Healthcare Providers](#)
- [Nov. 2015- Welcome to Phase 2: Implementation, MHVC Webinar](#)
- [MHVC Subcommittee Panels](#)
- [Labor Management Project DSRIP Video](#)
- [DOH Value Based Payment Video, English or Spanish](#)
- [What the Heck is Value Based Purchasing? Video](#)
- [Dec. 2015- HealthlinkNY Webinar Presentation](#)
- [PTN Grant Letter of Intent](#)

Partner Making News

Access: Supports for Living Holds Annual Gala



On Saturday, November 21, Access: Supports for Living, an organization that provides services for people living with disabilities and mental illness, held their annual fundraising gala. Amy Anderson-Winchell, president and CEO of Access, presented the 2015 Vision of Hope award to

Hudson Valley Pattern for Progress, a not-for-profit policy and advocacy organization whose mission is to promote sustainable solutions and vitality in the Hudson Valley.

A Warm Welcome to our New Team Member



Marilyn Wolff Diamond
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Marilyn is joining the MHVC team as a project specialist. She will provide project management and implementation support for clinical systems transformation and population health projects. Previously, Marilyn was a healthcare consultant in private practice offering project

development and management services for clients with particular interests in healthcare quality, health policy, and public health issues.

Prior to launching her firm, Diamond Health Consulting, Marilyn was the director of quality initiatives at the Northeast Business Group on Health (NYBGH) where she managed the multi-payer physician data reporting project, One Voice, a program which brought together diverse stakeholders to increase depression screening and treatment in the employed population and was the local leader for national initiatives such as the eValue8 health plan evaluation and Leapfrog Hospital Survey. Marilyn also represented the NYBGH on various advisory boards including the New York State Prevention Agenda and the New York City Department of Health and Mental Hygiene's Primary Care Information Project.

Marilyn holds a Master of Science in Health Policy and Management from the Harvard T.H. Chan School of Public Health.

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Thank you for your continued participation in the MHVC.