

Welcome

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

Kick Butts Day

Hudson Valley Youth Join National Effort to Stand Up to Big Tobacco



On March 16, students from Hudson Valley schools participated in Kick Butts Day. A national day of activism that empowers youth to stand out, speak up and seize control against the tobacco industry. Posters developed by the Hudson Region DSRIP Public Health Council, a partnership between MHVC, Westchester Medical Center and Refuah Community Health Collaborative, were provided to area schools for Kick Butts Day. The ads addressed the harmful effects of electronic smoking devices like vaporizers, e-cigarettes and electronic hookahs. School officials and teachers whose schools received the Hudson Region DSRIP Public Health Council ads said that the posters were a welcomed resource for their students. "The posters will help raise awareness among our students on the dangers of e-cigarettes," said Reginald Richardson, principal of New Rochelle High School. "These posters will help us to battle a growing problem among our students."

Learn more about the [Hudson Region DSRIP Public Health Council](#) and download the ads [here](#). For more information on Kick Butts Day, visit their [website](#) and follow their social media posts via the [#IKickButts](#) hashtag.

DSRIP Breakthrough Webinar Series

The National Council for Behavioral Health has produced a series of pre-recorded webinars for the New York State DSRIP Program to assist PPS networks with the implementation of their various projects. The webinars focus on [SBIRT implementation](#), [big and small data](#) and [peer specialists](#). A full list of New York State's DSRIP webinars and presentations is available on the [Department of Health's](#) website.



DSRIP Breakthrough Webinar Series
Transformative Workforce Approaches: Peer Specialists

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Key Dates & Events

April 15- ["3rd Friday" Webinar](#)

April 21 & 22- [NYAPRS Conference, Albany Hilton](#)

May 7- [Hudson Valley AIDS Walk](#)

Resources

- [MHVC Website](#)
- [NY State DSRIP Website](#)
- [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](#)
- [PTN Grant Letter of Intent](#)
- [Cultural Competency & Health Literacy Repository](#)
- [Jan. 2016 Financial Sustainability Webinar](#)
- [Jan. 2016 NYS Project Approval Oversight Panel](#)

Partners Making News

Partner Organizations Receive Grant Funding to Treat Opioid Dependence

Congratulations to our partners HRHCare, Middletown Community Health Center and Cornerstone Family Health Center, formerly Greater Hudson Valley Family Health Center, on the recent award of federal grant money to provide treatment to Hudson Valley residents dependent on opioids. In total, \$7.29 million in Affordable Care Act funding was awarded to 21 New York State health centers to improve and expand the delivery of substance abuse services, with a specific focus on treatment of opioid use disorders in underserved populations. Administered by the HHS Health Resources and Services Administration, these awards will increase the number of patients screened and treated for substance use disorders, grow the number of patients with access to medication assisted treatment for opioid use and other substance use disorder treatments, and provide training and educational resources to help health professionals make informed prescribing decisions.

You're the Star on "3rd Friday"

[In March, representatives from the Hudson Community Health Alliance made a great presentation on their plans to prevent and control obesity, diabetes, heart disease and stroke with the support of Local IMPACT grant funding.](#) The next MHVC "3rd Friday" webinar is on [April 15 at 2:00 p.m.](#) The topic, "An Introduction to Health Homes" will be presented by representatives from the Hudson Valley Care Coalition and HRHCare.



WE CAN'T DO IT WITHOUT YOU! To suggest a topic or maybe even appear in an upcoming webinar contact [Chelsea-Lyn Rudder](#), our communications manager.

DSRIP Opt-Out Reminder

A reminder that phase II of DOH's "Opt-Out" process was scheduled to commence on February 22 and conclude on March 15. [A DSRIP Opt-Out talking points guide for healthcare providers is available on the MHVC website.](#) Medicaid recipients with questions regarding the Opt-Out letter should be directed to the Medicaid call center, (1-855-329-8850) where trained staff is available to answer their questions. The letter mailed to the state's Medicaid members contained information regarding the DSRIP program, and explained why it is important for recipient's information to be shared with their PPS's providers. The letter includes a section that explains a patient's right to opt out of having Medicaid data shared with their attributed PPS lead and project partners. It will also identify the PPSs located in the member's county of residence.

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