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COMMUNITY BOARD 7**



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Health & Human Services Committee

Chair	Chad Y. Royer
Meeting Date:	Tuesday, March 19, 2019
Meeting Time:	6:30pm
Meeting Location:	Bronx Community Board 7 Office
Members (Check Those In Attendance)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Chad Y. Royer <u>Exc</u> Gloria Bent <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Kevin Davis <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Alfred Grant <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Cristina Contreras <input type="checkbox"/> Helene (Jake) Wilson <input type="checkbox"/> Carmen Miranda
Minutes Done By:	Chad Y. Royer

Minutes:

I. Introductions

II. Review of last month's minutes

III. Follow-up from previous month

- a) President of NYSNA Judy Sheridan-Gonzalez, RN, MSN confirmed that the nurses' contracts expired and negotiations are still ongoing
 - 1. NYSNA requested that Montefiore establish a multi-disciplinary community liaison committee and appropriate ratios for nurses.
 - 2. April 2 will be the date that nurses go on strike if questions continue to go unanswered. 97% of the nurses who voted through their union approved a strike. Assuming a strike is forthcoming, other ways patient can receive accommodation is via patient care committee or free primary care clinic.
 - 3. Motion for CB7 to send a letter to Montefiore to address needs, accommodations and safety concerns of patients. Motioned by Alfred Grant, seconded by Kevin Davis. Motion passes. Motion is subject to further clarification as Montefiore has not met with Community Board yet.

IV. New Business

- a) Information On Health Assessment by Carlos Tejeda, Community Health Specialist of Montefiore
 - 1. Carlos Tejeda would like to get the community's opinion of the issue that Montefiore should focus on and the needs of the community.
 - 2. Montefiore does a health assessment survey every 3 years and the goal is to have 5000 responses from Bronx residents by April 30th. Online and paper forms are available. For more information, call 347-418-4737.



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- b) Information On Bronx Early Childhood Director Center by Nicole Lee
1. Nicole Lee: Bronx Early Childhood Director Center has 14 locations in New York State that provide assistance for children aged 0-5 with services like Early Intervention and Speech Therapy.
 2. As of June 2019, the 14 locations will close
 3. **Motion:**
 - For CB7 to send a support letter for ECDC to be sent to the Board of Regents. Motioned by Alfred Grant; seconded by Kevin Davis. Motion passes.
- b) Information on Bronx Independent Living Services by Madreca Reid, Outreach Specialist
1. Bronx Independent Living Services is a free program where the staff works with individuals of all ages, with or without disabilities, regardless of income.
 2. They assist with support, referrals and applications for services like SCRIE, Medicaid, SNAP, SSI, et cetera. They also assist people transitioning from nursing homes back into the community. For more information, call 844-862-7930 or go to <http://www.nyconnects.ny.gov>
- c) On April 4th at 6:00pm, CB7 Health Committee and Lehman College will host a forum on Early Intervention.
1. The focus of the event will include information about Early Intervention, challenges that affect availability of services and awareness in the Bronx, and navigation of the process. Additional discussion will also include how delays in development are discovered and treated.
 2. Flyers are available in English and Spanish. All are welcome to come. Please RSVP. The Next Meeting Will Take Place in May.

- V. Next month's meeting date:** Thursday, April 4, 2019
- VI. Discussion on next month's agenda**
- VII. Adjournment**