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BOROUGH OF THE BRONX

COMMUNITY BOARD 7



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HEALTH & HOSPITAL COMMITTEE MINUTES

Thursday, April 29th, 2010 @ 6:30PM

- I. Meeting called to order at 6:50pm
- II. Visitors
 - A. Carlos Tejeda, Community Outreach Worker, Patient Education & Community Outreach, Montefiore Medical Center. The Patient Education & Community Outreach does not organize events in the community but they provide resources such as presenters and health screenings to community organizations that organize health events, the office has a staff of three, Helene Mayo, Gerry O'Connor and himself. His attendance to the meeting was with the purpose to present the services of his office which include glucose and blood pressure screenings, and the facilitation of presentations on health issues made available to community events. In order to request their participation in health fairs and health related an event a letter of invitation is needed and at least two months in advance.
- III. Topics of Discussion
 - A. Medicaid Managed Care changes for HIV/AIDS community
Committee member, Socrates Caba, discussed the importance of getting information on Medicaid Managed Care changes to the community receiving HIV/AIDS services, which will require them to select a managed care program and designate a primary care doctor, if they fail to do this one will automatically assigned.
 - B. Socrates also proposed for the Community Board to host a day of testing utilizing a mobile unit provided by Bronx AIDS Services. The unit can be available within three weeks of prior notice.
 - C. Considering the impact the Medicaid Managed Care changes will have within the senior community, Joyce Hernandez Lopez proposed reaching out to the Senior Services Committee in order to organize outreach events to disseminate information on these changes to senior centers within our community board district. Socrates will reach out to his contact on how to obtain information already available to disseminate to the public.
- IV. Proposed Events
 - A. Day of testing – Mobile unite to provide HIV counseling and testing as well as blood pressure screening. Considering the possibility to hold it on Thursday, June 10 from 3:00pm to 6:00pm in the area of Bedford Park and Jerome Avenue to target the people passing by which include and is not limited to local residents and local students. To extend outreach a flyer will be created to disseminate by email.
 - B. Outreach to HIV/AIDS service providers and senior service centers possibly by means of organizing a health fair to be hosted on one of each locations to disseminate information on Medicaid Managed Care changes and provide other health screenings. Target time frame to do this end of June beginning of July. Joyce Hernandez Lopez will reach out to chair of senior services committee regarding working together on this outreach.
- V. Meeting adjourned at 7:40pm