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ONGOING RESOURCES + UPDATES

- Complete Online DOHMH Resources: [Updated COVID-19 Information - NYC DOHMH](#)
- MOCS Guidance for HHS/Payments and Contracts: [Guidance for Human Service Provider](#)
- **AbilityONE**: <https://www.abilityone.com/> for supplies and PPE.
- OCFS Guidance: <https://ocfs.ny.gov/main/news/COVID-19/>. includes RHY Temporary Variance Request Form.
- [ThriveNYC Mental Health Resources](#)
- [DYCD Program Updates](#)
- Childcare is available for RHY providers through the Department of Education’s Regional Enrichment Centers (REC).
- A new supply request email RHYC19SupplyRequests@dycd.nyc.gov
- April 9, 2020 and ongoing: Non-medical masks (not sterile) distributed to all sites
- April 8, 2020 [New Congregate Care Guidance from DOHMH](#)
- [NYC Well Resources Available](#)
- May 5, 2020: Isolation Hotels are available for youth who are COVID positive or who have COVID like illnesses. Referral instructions have been distributed to RHY contracted programs. Please contact DYCD with any questions regarding the isolation hotel program.
- May 19, 2020: Updates to the drop-in center services. (For details see the table on the next page).
- May 26, 2020: Safe Horizon Streetwork Project drop in center is open to current crisis program residents.
- May 29, 2020: As part of the “Test, Trace and Take Care” initiative, RHY providers can reserve isolation hotels rooms by emailing: commcarecp@nychhc.org between the hours of 8:00 am and 9:00 pm.
- August 11, 2020: Email sent to providers. DYCD update regarding program monitoring and site visits. RHY is not changing our process except to continue virtual site visits. We expect this to be in place through October 2020. We will update if plans change.
- October 8, 2020 [COVID 19 Zone Map](#) for areas with increasing cases
- November 5, 2020 [New York State Micro Cluster Information](#)
- January 11, 2021 [New York State COVID 19 Vaccine Updates](#)
- January 11, 2021 Vaccination sites are listed by borough at www.nyc.gov/vaccinefinder with more being added on a rolling basis.
- January 11, 2021 Be aware that you will need to **complete the NYS COVID-19 Vaccine Form** at <https://forms.ny.gov/s3/vaccine> before you get vaccinated.
- February 22, 2021: Youth and Young Adults ages 16 and over at RHY programs are eligible for the vaccine per OCFS guidance. Sent out to providers via email.
- April 1, 2021 NYS Department of Health: [Updated travel guidelines for domestic travel. No need to quarantine for asymptomatic travelers.](#)
- May 14, 2021 NYS Department of Health: HEALTH ADVISORY: QUARANTINE FOR RESIDENTS OF NON-HEALTHCARE CONGREGATE SETTINGS EXPOSED TO COVID-19
- August 16th RHY provider staff working in residential programs must be vaccinated or show negative test result weekly.

UPDATES SINCE LAST POSTING

JULY 26, 2021: PLEASE NOTE THAT THE FREQUENCY OF THE WEEKLY UPDATES HAS CHANGED TO UPDATES AS NEEDED.

Starting August 16, 2021 RHY provider staff contracted employees must be fully vaccinated, or show proof of negative COVID-19 tests weekly.



COVID-19 (C19) DYCD PROGRAM AREA CHECK IN
PROGRAM AREA: Runaway and Homeless Youth Services
March 23, 2020 – UPDATED July 26, 2021

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GENERAL UPDATES

- We know that your capacity changes depending on available staff and will fluctuate as circumstances change. Please email Randy Scott at rascott@dycd.nyc.gov if you are experiencing specific challenges and would like support to find an alternative available residential program. We will do our best to find a resource.
- Provider meetings continue to be held on a bi-weekly basis.

DYCD RHY PROGRAMS SCHEDULE & OPERATIONAL CHANGES

As we continue to manage the daily response to COVID19 it is important that DYCD and our providers support each other with accurate information that is shared across all channels in order to best serve youth. We will continue to work with you to develop creative solutions to ensure program continuity across the city.

On July 26, 2021:

- All 53 residential programs are operational. 95% (770 of 813) of the beds are available and the rest are being used for social distancing.
- 183 beds were available for 16 through 20-year olds, and 2 beds were available for 21 through 24-year olds.
- All Drop in Centers are currently offering in person services.

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DROP IN CENTER SCHEDULES ([click here for contact information](#))

Provider/Borough	In Person Services	Service Modifications (new this week in bold)
Ali Forney Center Manhattan	Available	In person services: Mon to Friday, 10am to 6pm including bagged meals, PPE, hygiene kits, mail distribution, housing referrals. New intakes available, 2 per day. Medical/psychiatric services available onsite. Overnight services available from 8pm-8am, Monday-Friday. Sign up with your case manager on Mondays by 2pm for a 1 week reservation. Can accommodate 8-10 youth. Hot supper served at 8:30 pm for clients staying overnight. Effective July 22, 2020. Virtual support, including telehealth, being provided as well. Phone: 212-206-0574
Cardinal McCloskey Community Services Bronx	Available	In person services: 24H a day Monday – Friday. Overnight services on Saturday and Sunday. Effective July 13, 2020. Referrals and case management also available by phone.
Project Hospitality, Inc Staten Island	Available	In person services: 10am – 7am (21 hours) Effective November 30, 2020: New intakes are available for those with immediate housing needs. COVID 19 testing for youth accessing the site is recommended. Call for more information: (718) 876-4752 or email YDICO Outreach@projecthospitality.org
SCO Family of Services Brooklyn	Available	In-person services: Open 24/7 effective April 16, 2021.
Sheltering Arms Children and Family Services – Jamaica Site Queens	Available	In-person services: Open 24/7
Sheltering Arms Children and Family Services, Inc. Far Rockaway Site Queens	Available	In person services: Tuesday through Saturday 11am – 7pm. Social distancing and other DOH health guidelines will be followed. Effective July 7, 2020

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<p>The Door Manhattan</p>	<p>Available</p>	<p>In person services: Monday - Friday from 11 am to 6 pm for services at the entrance. Effective February 8, 2021.</p> <p>In person services include includes access to food, clothing and health center needs. Access to computers is available. Remote services continue to be available for housing and health care referrals, legal services, recreation, and counseling and mental health support.</p>
<p>Safe Horizon Streetwork Project Harlem Site Manhattan</p>	<p>Available</p>	<p>In person services: Every day but Wednesday from 12pm to 5pm.</p> <p>Access to inside is limited to current Streetwork shelter residents and/or services, such as showers, that are not accessible at the entrance. Staff assess and determine who is able to enter the program. All other services (including to-go meals, needle exchange, hygiene products, shelter referrals, baby supplies, PPE, food pantry, etc.) available at the door. Remote services also available. Showers are not available on Saturday or Sunday. Up to four intakes per day on Mon, Tues, Thurs, Fri. Weekend intakes for minors only.</p>

RESIDENTIAL PROGRAMS

- 12 of 12 crisis services programs are operational.
- 41 of 41 transitional independent living services are operational.

STREET OUTREACH

***UPDATED* Current schedule 6pm to 2am effective May 17, 2021**

The schedule may change, so please review updates at [@streetworknyc](https://www.instagram.com/streetworknyc) on Instagram.

Starting July 26, 2021: Street Outreach updates will be sent to the RHY Community via email.