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NYSARH Announces 2020 Rural Health Awards

You're Invited



New York State Association for Rural Health National Rural Health Day ~ Virtual Awards Ceremony

Thursday, November 19, 2020

11:30am - 12:30pm

[Please register](#) in advance for this event.

DR. GARY OGDEN RURAL
HEALTH PRACTITIONER
OF THE YEAR AWARD



DR. ANDREW WILLIAMS, MD, FACP
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SENATOR MCGEE RURAL
HEALTH AWARD #2



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OUTSTANDING RURAL
HEALTH PROGRAM AWARD



FRANK CERNY, MDIV, PHD
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National Rural Health Day is an opportunity to
"Celebrate the Power of Rural"
by honoring the selfless, community-minded,
"can do" spirit that prevails in rural America.

At a later date, we are
also presenting
Senator Rachel May
with the Rural Health
Champion Award



2020 Conference Recap

September 14 -17, 2020
Connecting to the New Rural Landscape



Wow! The NYSARH first Virtual Conference was a success!

Kudos to volunteer Conference Co-Chairs Carrie Roseamelia and Alison Coates who orchestrated the transition from a traditional conference to a virtual conference, during a pandemic, while teaching their students and overseeing virtual learning for their children.

NYSARH also recognizes the members of the Conference Planning Committee and its sub-committees that contributed to the success of the 2020 Conference.

- Coreen Bohl
- Leanna Cleveland
- Ashley Conti
- Charlotte Crawford
- Helen Evans
- Pat Fontana
- Carly Lovelett
- Mandy Qualls
- Gertrude O'Sullivan
- Claire Parde
- Kris Stiegler



Please check out the [NYSARH 2020 Conference Overview page](#) to see the full to recap!

Thanks to NYSARH Sponsors, Exhibitors & Advertisers!

NYSARH extends appreciation to Board member Mary Zelazny for coordinating the sponsorship of Rural Community Health Centers. We appreciate the support of FQHCs.



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Central New York Area Health Education Center, Inc.
Joined Membership & Policy Committees
- **Victoria Reid**
Ellenville Regional Rural Health Network
Chairing Education Committee & Joined Policy Committee

Officers Elected at Annual Meeting

The NYSARH Annual Meeting was held virtually on September 21st. Helen Evans and Jack Salo were re-elected as President and Vice-President. Ann Abdella, who had been appointed Treasurer in February to fill a vacant position was elected to serve a one-year term. Alison Coates was newly elected as Secretary.

MARK YOUR CALENDARS!

Thursday, November 19, 2020

Suicide Prevention:

Why Means Matter

Garra Lloyd-Lester

Director of Community and Coalition Initiatives

Suicide Prevention Center New York

New York State Office of Mental Health

[Registration](#) is required.

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NYSARH MEMBER DIRECTORY



The NYSARH Membership Committee is implementing a new initiative!

A Member Directory

in the Membership Portal.

In order to list members' contact information (e-mail address), members need to opt-in to allow the web team to publish this information.

To opt-in, please send an e-mail to

info@nysarh.org.

Subject: Member Directory

Give NYSARH permission to publish your e-mail address in the Member Directory.



Rural Health Network of SCNY proudly presents ***Dispatches from the Road to Value***: a series of interviews with the leaders of small and rural community organizations and service providers on their experience with DSRIP (New York State Medicaid Redesign) and preparing for Value Based Payment. Funding for this series is provided by the New York State Health Foundation and by Care Compass Network.

Comments and questions can be directed to **Emma Nalin, Project Coordinator** (enalin@rhnscny.org).

You can find the entire Dispatches from the Road to Value series of videos on the NYSARH website [here](#).



Articles of Interest

Health Care's Social Movement Should Not Leave Science Behind

SETH A. BERKOWITZSH, REYA KANGOVI
The Milbank Quarterly

Americans are dying at startling rates, not only from COVID-19 but also its reverberating socioeconomic effects: massive unemployment, food insecurity, social isolation, and stress-related increases in smoking, alcohol use, opioid use, and suicide. [Read more](#)

The Impact of Food Insecurity on Rural Communities

Ashley Paro
St. Lawrence University

Food insecurity or a lack of availability to low-cost healthy foods is common in rural areas where distance to grocery stores is far and the quality of food may be lower. [Read more](#)



If the mission and goals of NYSARH are consistent with your own, or are attractive to you, we would be happy to have you join our organization and to help it grow.
In numbers there is strength.

Please help the voice for rural health to be heard.
[Join](#) today.

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**RENEW YOUR
MEMBERSHIP?**



Has it been about a year since you became a NYSARH member or renewed your NYSARH membership?

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Due December 1, 2020

[HRSA Rural Policy Analysis Program](#)

Due December 14, 2020

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NYSARH is looking for Members to serve on Committees to help with initiatives projects.

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