

RESOLUTION NO. 2026059

RE: CONFIRMING REAPPOINTMENT OF LIVIA SANTIAGO-ROSADO,
MD, MPH, FACEP AS COMMISSIONER OF THE DUTCHESS
COUNTY DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH

Legislators VALDÉS SMITH, MUNN, ALEXANDER, ARNOFF, BRENDLI, KAUL,
LAWLER, REDL, RHODES, SHAH and WINSBY offer the following and move its adoption:

WHEREAS, pursuant to Resolution No. 2021209, the Legislature confirmed the County Executive's appointment of Livia Santiago-Rosado, MD, MPH, FACEP as Commissioner of the Department of Behavioral and Community Health for a six (6) year term effective on or about December 28, 2021 through December 27, 2027, and

WHEREAS, pursuant to Local Law No. 1 of 2024, Dutchess County amended the Dutchess County Charter and Administrative Code to reorganize the Department of Behavioral and Community Health into two separate departments: Department of Health and Department of Mental Health and to add the Office of Veterans Affairs as a distinct unit of County government, and

WHEREAS, pursuant to Local Law No. 1 of 2024 and Dutchess County Charter Article VII, Section 7.01, the term of the Commissioner of the Department of Health shall be four years, and

WHEREAS, pursuant to Local Law No. 1 of 2024 and Dutchess County Charter Article VII, Section 7.01, Dr. Santiago-Rosado's term commenced on December 28, 2021 and expired on December 27, 2025, and

WHEREAS, the County Executive has reappointed Livia Santiago-Rosado, MD, MPH, FACEP as Commissioner of the Department of Health, and

WHEREAS, pursuant to Article VII, Section 7.01 of the Dutchess County Charter and Section 351(5) of the New York State Public Health Law, respectively, contingent upon the approval of the Commissioner of the New York State Department of Health, such appointment has been made, and

WHEREAS, the curriculum vitae of Dr. Santiago-Rosado is attached hereto and made a part hereof, and

WHEREAS, the Commissioner of Dutchess County Human Resources has determined that Dr. Santiago-Rosado is qualified to continue to perform the duties of the position of Commissioner of Health, now, therefore be it

FAMILY & HUMAN SERVICES

RESOLVED, that the reappointment of Livia Santiago-Rosado, MD, MPH, FACEP as Commissioner of the Department of Health is hereby confirmed by this Legislature and deemed retroactive and effective on December 28, 2025 and continuing for a four (4) year term expiring December 27, 2029, contingent upon the approval of the Commissioner of the New York State Department of Health.

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3/3/2026
Fiscal Impact: See Attached

APPROVED

Sue Serino
SUSAN J. SERINO
COUNTY EXECUTIVE

Date April 22, 2026

STATE OF NEW YORK

SS:

COUNTY OF DUTCHESS

This is to certify that I, the undersigned Clerk of the Legislature of the County of Dutchess, have compared the foregoing resolution with the original resolution now on file in the office of said clerk, and which was adopted by said Legislature on the 15 day of April, 2026, and that the same is a true and correct transcript of said original resolution and of the whole thereof.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and seal of said Legislature this 14 day of April, 2026.



Julie Shiroishi
JULIE SHIROISHI, CLERK OF THE LEGISLATURE

SUE SERINO
COUNTY EXECUTIVE



LIVIA SANTIAGO-ROSADO, MD, FACEP
COMMISSIONER

ANTHONY J. RUGGIERO, MPA
ASSISTANT COMMISSIONER

DUTCHESS COUNTY GOVERNMENT
DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH

MEMORANDUM

To: Ron Hicks, Assistant County Executive

From: Anthony J. Ruggiero, MPA, Assistant Commissioner for Administration

Date: February 3, 2026

Subject: Resolution Request for March 9, 2026, Meeting

It is with great pleasure to submit a Resolution Request Form and Fiscal Impact Statement for the reappointment of Dr. Livia Santiago-Rosado, MD, MPH, FACEP as the Dutchess County Commissioner of Health to a four (4) year term effective on or about December 28, 2025, through December 27, 2029. Please find attached a copy of Dr. Santiago-Rosado's current CV.

Please do not hesitate to contact me on extension 3552 if you have any questions or concerns.

Thank you.

FISCAL IMPACT STATEMENT

☒ NO FISCAL IMPACT PROJECTED

APPROPRIATION RESOLUTIONS

(To be completed by requesting department)

Total Current Year Cost \$ _____

Total Current Year Revenue \$ _____
and Source

Source of County Funds (check one): ☒ Existing Appropriations, ☐ Contingency,
☐ Transfer of Existing Appropriations, ☐ Additional Appropriations, ☐ Other (explain).

Identify Line Items(s):

Related Expenses: Amount \$ _____

Nature/Reason:

Anticipated Savings to County: _____

Net County Cost (this year): _____

Over Five Years: _____

Additional Comments/Explanation:

The position is currently budgeted and sufficient funds are in the 2026 budget.

Prepared by: Anthony J. Ruggiero Prepared On: 02.03.26

SUE SERINO
COUNTY EXECUTIVE



22 Market Street
Poughkeepsie, NY 12601
Phone: 845-486-2000

DUTCHESS COUNTY GOVERNMENT

March 13, 2026

Mr. Bradford Kendall
Dutchess County Clerk
22 Market Street
Poughkeepsie, New York 12601

Dear County Clerk Kendall:

I am pleased to reappoint Livia M. Santiago-Rosado, MD, MPH, FACEP as Commissioner of the Department of Health for a four (4) year term deemed effective on December 28, 2025 by Local Law No. 1 of 2024 of the Dutchess County Legislature and expiring on December 27, 2029.

Dr. Santiago-Rosado has demonstrated strong leadership and an unwavering commitment to the mission of the Department of Health and to the residents of Dutchess County. Her dedication to public service and to advancing the health and well-being of our community continues to be an asset to County government.

I look forward to her confirmation and reappointment by the Dutchess County Legislature on April 13, 2026.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Sue Serino".

Sue Serino
County Executive

c: Julie Shirioshi, Clerk of the Legislature
Rachel Kashimer, Commissioner of Human Resources
Dr. Livia M. Santiago-Rosado, Commissioner of Health
Anthony J. Ruggiero, Assistant Commissioner of Administration



Department of Health

KATHY HOCHUL
Governor

JAMES V. McDONALD, MD, MPH
Commissioner

JOHANNE E. MORNE, MS
Executive Deputy Commissioner

July 2, 2025

Anthony J. Ruggiero, M.P.A.
Assistant Commissioner of Administration
Dutchess County Department of Behavioral and Community Health
85 Civic Center Plaza
Poughkeepsie, New York 12601

Dear Anthony J. Ruggiero:

I am pleased to acknowledge receipt of documentation demonstrating Dr. Livia Santiago-Rosado has completed a Master in Public Health from the State University of New York, University at Albany, as required by the New York State Department of Health (Department). As Dr. Santiago-Rosado has satisfied the Department's requirements for a full appointment as the Commissioner of Health for Dutchess County Department of Behavioral and Community Health, the conditional appointment has been lifted.

I congratulate Dr. Santiago-Rosado on this important accomplishment, and we look forward to continuing to work with Dr. Santiago-Rosado in the role as Commissioner of Health for Dutchess County Department of Behavioral and Community Health.

Should Dr. Santiago-Rosado have any questions, please contact Susan Cuomo-Whitney in the Office of Local Health Services at (518) 473-4223 who is available to answer any questions.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Jim McDonald", written over a horizontal line.

James V. McDonald, M.D., M.P.H.
Commissioner of Health

cc: L. Trolie
K. Owens-Cody
C. Johnson
S. Ravenhall

LIVIA M. SANTIAGO-ROSADO, MD MPH FACEP

Lagrangeville, NY 12540

Experienced emergency physician leader with a demonstrated record of thriving in, and improving, even the most vulnerable health care systems. Valued as an astute and compassionate clinician, a data-driven common-sense administrative leader with expertise in operations and practice management. Recognized as a passionate, empathetic patient advocate and an engaging bedside and didactic educator. A strong educational and professional background informed a career of proven leadership in Emergency Medicine, with additional experience and skills in Care and Case Management, Change Management, Medical Informatics, and Quality Improvement.

ADMINISTRATIVE APPOINTMENTS

Dec 2021-Present	Commissioner, Dutchess County Department of Health Poughkeepsie, NY
Aug 2019-Aug 2021	Chair and Medical Director, Department of Emergency Medicine Vassar Brothers Medical Center Poughkeepsie, NY
May 2017-July 2019	Vice Chair, Department of Emergency Medicine Nassau University Medical Center East Meadow, NY
Jan 2006-Feb 2017	Associate Director, Department of Emergency Medicine
Feb 2008-Feb 2017	Physician Advisor, ED Care/Case Management NYC Health + Hospitals/Queens (Queens Hospital Center) Jamaica, NY

HOSPITAL APPOINTMENTS

Nov 2023-Present	Northern Westchester Hospital Mount Kisco, NY Attending Physician, Department of Emergency Medicine
Oct 2021-Dec 2023	Ellenville Regional Hospital Ellenville, NY Attending Physician, Department of Emergency Medicine
Aug 2019-Aug 2021	Vassar Brothers Medical Center Poughkeepsie, NY Attending Physician, Department of Emergency Medicine
May 2017-Dec 2020	Nassau University Medical Center East Meadow, NY Attending Physician, Department of Emergency Medicine

- Jul 2003-Dec 2019 **NYC Health + Hospitals/Queens (Queens Hospital Center)**
Jamaica, NY
Attending Physician, Department of Emergency Medicine
- Jul 2003-Jun 2011 **NYC Health + Hospitals/Elmhurst (Elmhurst Hospital Center)**
Elmhurst, NY
Attending Physician, Department of Emergency Medicine

ACADEMIC APPOINTMENTS

- March 2022-Present **New York Medical College**
Valhalla, NY
Distinguished Visiting Professor
- May 2020-Present **Touro College of Osteopathic Medicine**
Middletown, NY
Adjunct Clinical Associate Professor, Department of Primary Care
Instructor, Early Clinical Experience and Physical Diagnosis courses
- Aug 2019-Aug 2021 **Vassar Brothers Medical Center**
Poughkeepsie, NY
Chair and Core Faculty, Department of Emergency Medicine
- May 2017-Jul 2019 **Nassau University Medical Center**
East Meadow, NY
Vice Chair and Core Faculty, Department of Emergency Medicine
- Jul 2003-Dec 2017 **Icahn School of Medicine at Mount Sinai**
New York, NY
Assistant Professor, Department of Emergency Medicine

POSTGRADUATE TRAINING

- Jul 2000-Jun 2003 **Mount Sinai School of Medicine**
New York, NY
Resident, Department of Emergency Medicine
- Jul 1999-Jun 2000 **Saint Vincent's Hospital and Medical Center**
New York, NY
Intern, Transitional Program, Department of Medicine

EDUCATION

- Jan 2022-May 2025 **University at Albany, School of Public Health**
Albany, NY (Online)
Master's in Public Health
- Aug 1995-Jun 1999 **Columbia University (Vagelos) College of Physicians & Surgeons**

New York, NY
MD, May 1999

Aug 1991-May 1995 **Harvard University**
Cambridge, MA
AB, *summa cum laude*, Biological Anthropology, June 1995

HONORS AND AWARDS

2023	Alumni Award for Contributions to Emergency Medicine Department of Emergency Medicine Alumni Day, Icahn School of Medicine at Mount Sinai.
2021	2020 Northeast Group Medical Director of the Year Award, TeamHealth For outstanding leadership and dedication to our community throughout the COVID pandemic.
2018	Honoree, Hispanic Counseling Center 41st Annual Gala, Nassau County, NY. Honoring individuals and entities advancing and enhancing care for Latinx communities.
2018	Certificate of Recognition, Office of the State Comptroller, New York. In recognition of stellar service.
2018	Citation, Nassau County Legislature, Nassau County, NY. In recognition of leadership and dedication to improving the health and wellbeing of the residents of Nassau County.
2018	Certificate of Recognition, Town of Hempstead, Nassau County, NY. In recognition of dedicated service.
2018	Certificate of Recognition, Incorporated Village of Hempstead, Nassau County NY. Commendation for service to our community.
2016	Certificate of Recognition, NYC Health + Hospitals/Queens Patient Safety Program "Queens Hospital Patient Safety Partner"
2014	LEAN Certification—Green Training
2014	Certificate of Recognition, Queens Hospital Center Patient Safety Program "For Outstanding Initiative in Patient Safety"
2013	T-System Excellence Award for Productivity Awarded to the ED leadership team
2011	Attending Physician of the Year, Department of Emergency Medicine, Queens Hospital Center "For excellence in leadership, exemplary professionalism and invaluable service to the Department of Emergency Medicine"
2011	Finalist, ED Case Management Program, Dorland Health "Case in Point" Platinum Awards

	Awarded at the National Press Club in Washington DC to the Emergency Department Case Management team, for which I am the Physician Advisor.
2010	Citation of Merit, American Hospital Association-McKesson Quest for Quality Prize
2007	Awarding committee recognized throughput and flow in the ED Visiting Professor, Universidad Autónoma de Guadalajara Developed and taught week-long program of original lectures and workshops on salient topics in Emergency Medicine
2007-2009	Mount Sinai School of Medicine's Fifth Pathway Program Lead Elected to Admissions Committee and as Site Coordinator for Emergency Medicine at Queens Hospital Center
2006-Present	American College of Emergency Physicians, Fellow
1996-1999	Joseph Collins Foundation Scholarship National award for excellence in scholarly and artistic endeavors
1995-1999	Class President, Columbia College of Physicians and Surgeons Elected four consecutive years by the Class of 1999
1996	American Academy of Dermatology Scholarship National merit award for scholarly excellence
1995	Phi Beta Kappa, Harvard University National honors society recognizing superior academic achievement
1995	Miller Scholarship, Harvard University Awarded on the basis of merit and financial need
1994	Paisner/Harvard Club of Rhode Island Scholarship Scholarship based on merit and leadership abilities
1991-1995	John Harvard Scholarship, Harvard University Merit-based award for academic excellence
1991-1995	Elizabeth Cary Agassiz Scholarship, Harvard University Awarded to female students at the highest levels of academic achievement

LICENSURE AND CERTIFICATIONS

2022	Advancing Cultural Competence (ACC) in the Public Health & Health Care Workforce Certificate
2019-2024	Florida State Medical License #ME139627
2005-current	Board Certified, American Board of Emergency Medicine
2002-current	Drug Enforcement Agency, Certificate BS8234697 DEA/SAHMSA X waiver granted 2021
2001	NALS provider
2000-current	New York State Medical License #218504, NPI 1437166915
1999-current	PALS provider
1999-current	ACLS provider, ATLS provider

PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIPS

2021-Present	New York State Association of County Health Officials (NYSACHO)
2019-Present	Society for Academic Emergency Medicine (SAEM)
2019-Present	Academy for Women in Academic Emergency Medicine (AWAEM)

2019-Present	Academy for Diversity & Inclusion in Emergency Medicine (ADIEM)
1997-Present	American College of Emergency Physicians (ACEP)
2017-Present	American Academy of Emergency Medicine (AAEM)

PROFESSIONAL ACTIVITIES AND COMMITTEES

2026-Present	Eastern Dutchess Rural Health Network Advisory Board
2025-Present	New York State Association of County Health Officials Board of Directors
2024-Present	Co-Chair, New York State Association of County Health Officials, Emerging Issues Committee
2023-Present	Executive Board, Harvard Club of the Hudson Valley
2023-Present	New York State Master Plan for Aging, Health and Wellness Subcommittee
2023-Present	Data Modernization Initiative Strategic Planning Team, New York State Department of Health
2022-Present	Executive Committee, Poughkeepsie Children's Cabinet
2022-Present	Executive Committee, Dutchess County Criminal Justice Council
2022-Present	Member, Public Health Practice Council, New York Medical College
2021-2022	Member, Strategic Planning Team, American College of Emergency Physicians
2021-2021	Physician Liaison, Community Care Team, Vassar Brothers Medical Center
2021-2021	Founder and Co-Chair, Throughput Committee, Vassar Brothers Medical Center
2020-2021	Physician Liaison, NY MATTERS (Medication Assisted Treatment in the Emergency Room) Program, Vassar Brothers Medical Center
2020-2021	Founder, Women's Action Committee in the Emergency Department, Nuvance EM Residency
2020-2021	Chair, Subcommittee on "Practice Management Lessons from COVID-19: Recommendations for Operations and Flow"; "Cultural Awareness and Non-Discrimination Policy" Subcommittee, Emergency Medicine Practice Committee, ACEP
2020-2021	Nuvance Health Leadership Academy
2020-2021	Nuvance Health Physician Council
2020-2021	Women in Leadership Regional Champion, Northeast Group, TeamHealth
2020-2021	Operations Optimization Steering Committee, Project PIVOT, Nuvance Health
2020-2023	Member-At-Large, New York ACEP Board of Directors
2020-2021	Clinical Coordinating Group, Nuvance Health
2020-2021	Emergency Department IT Governance, Nuvance Health
2020-2021	Chair, COVID-19 Toolkit Subcommittee, Emergency Medicine Practice Committee, ACEP
2020-2021	Co-Chair, Emergency Department Social Work Policy Subcommittee, Emergency Medicine Practice Committee, ACEP
2019-2020	Chair, Food and Drink Policy Subcommittee, Emergency Medicine Practice Committee, ACEP

2019-2021	Co-Chair, Emergency Department Steering Committee, Vassar Brothers Medical Center
2019-2021	Founder, Community Outreach Committee, Nuvance EM Residency
2019-2021	Quality Performance Improvement Committee, Vassar Brothers Medical Center
2019-2021	Opiate Stewardship Committee, Vassar Brothers Medical Center
2019-2021	Next Gen ACO Committee, Vassar Brothers Medical Center
2019-2020	Chair, Death Certificates Subcommittee, Emergency Medicine Practice Committee, ACEP
2019-2021	Invited Mentor, Opportunities for Women in Leadership (OWL) mentorship grant-funded program for women in Emergency Medicine, New York ACEP
2019-2020	Co-Chair, Social Emergency Medicine Advocacy Workgroup, American College of Emergency Physicians
2018-2019	Clinical Lead, Medicaid Accelerated eXchange Action Team, New York State Medicaid Delivery Systems Redesign Incentive Program (DSRIP), Nassau University Medical Center
2017-2020	Social Emergency Medicine Committee, American College of Emergency Physicians
2017-Present	Councillor, ACEP Council
	Member, Council Reference Committee, 2018
2017-2023	New York ACEP Board of Directors
2017-Present	Chair, Emergency Medicine Practice Subcommittee, Practice Management Committee, New York Chapter, American College of Emergency Physicians
2016-2017	Access to Care Workgroup, NYC Health + Hospitals/Queens
2016-2017	Co-Chair, ASAP Clinical Work Group, GO (Epic) ASAP Team, NYC Health + Hospitals
2014-2017	Process Owner, Value Stream Steering Team, ED Flow Project, NYC Health + Hospitals/Queens
2014-2017	ED-Inpatient Value Stream Steering Team, NYC Health + Hospitals/Queens
2014-2017	Center for Medicare & Medicaid Innovation Enhanced Care Management Grant, Physician Advisor Workgroup Member and Co-Chair (2016), NYC Health + Hospitals
2014-2017	Delivery System Reform Incentive Payments (DSRIP) Committee, Queens Hub, OneCity Health, NYC Health + Hospitals
2014-2017	High-Risk Patient Review Committee, NYC Health + Hospitals/Queens Accountable Care Organization
2014-Present	Emergency Medicine Practice Committee (EMPC), American College of Emergency Physicians
2014-2017	Communications Committee, NYC Health + Hospitals/Queens Editorial Board, The Pulse monthly publication, NYC Health + Hospitals/Queens
2013-2017	Subject-Matter Expert, Power Provider, Epic Implementation Team (HHC GO ASAP module), NYC Health + Hospitals/Queens

2012-2017	Emergency Department Care/Case Management Steering Committee, NYC Health + Hospitals/Queens
2012-2017	Chronic Care Value Stream Steering Team, NYC Health + Hospitals/Queens
2012-2017	Emergency Medicine Council, NYC Health + Hospitals
2011	Strategic Transparency Working Group, Health and Hospitals Corporation, City of New York
2011-2017	Clinical Information System Expert Working Group, NYC Health and Hospitals
2011-2017	CHF Guideline Advisory Committee, NYC Health + Hospitals/Queens
2010-Present	Practice Management Committee, New York Chapter, American College of Emergency Physicians
2009-2012	Airway Management Advisory Committee, NYC Health + Hospitals' Institute for Medical Simulation and Advanced Learning (IMSAL)
2008-2017	NYC Health + Hospitals/Queens Emergency Management Committee and Emergency Management Core Group
2007-2008	NYC Health + Hospitals/Queens Therapeutic Hypothermia Committee
2006-2009	Education Committee, New York Chapter, American College of Emergency Physicians
2006-2008	NYC Health + Hospitals/Queens Ambulatory Care Committee
2006-2008	Admissions Committee, Mount Sinai School of Medicine's Fifth Pathway Program
2006-2017	NYC Health + Hospitals/Queens Pharmacy and Therapeutics Committee
2006-2017	NYC Health + Hospitals/Queens Transfusion Committee

PRESENTATIONS AND LECTURES

2025	"Health is Wealth", The Vital Women of Washington Heights Podcast
2025	"An Insider's Guide to Local Health Departments", Biology Seminar Series, Bard College, Red Hook, NY
2024	Commencement Address, "Find Your Niche", Sixty-Fifth Commencement, Dutchess Community College, Poughkeepsie, NY
2024	"Understanding Nutrition as a Social Determinant of Health", Caring as Communities Podcast
2024	"Lifting Up the Voices of Our Youth: Understanding Youth Behaviors" Symposium hosted by Comunilife, Panelist, Hyde Park, NY
2023	"Health Disparities & Social Determinants of Health", Graduate Medical Education Lecture Series, Nuvance Health
2023	"A Journey to Public Health", Connect & Mentor Series, New York Medical College
2023	"A Post-Sinai Journey," Alumni Career Reflections, Department of Emergency Medicine, Icahn School of Medicine Mount Sinai
2022	"What The Pandemic Has Taught Me About Being a Public Health Commissioner" Panelist, on "What Have We Learned?": Twenty-Third Symposium on COVID-19, Touro School of Osteopathic Medicine
2022	"Leadership Lessons from the ER, and from Women Who Raise and Lift Us" Keynote Speaker, Dutchess County Chamber of Commerce

- Poughkeepsie, NY
- 2022 “Working through COVID-19 as an ER Doctor and Health Commissioner”
Presenter, Catskill Hudson Area Health Education Center
- 2021 “Career Planning: Fellowships in EM”
Panelist, EM Residency Conference, Vassar Brothers Medical Center
- 2021 “The Butter~~flow~~ Effect?: How the Hospital Can Back Up the ER Waiting Room”
Kickoff, Throughput Committee, Vassar Brothers Medical Center
- 2018 “EM-101: How Emergency Physicians [Should] Learn and Think, and Why”
EM Residency Conference, Vassar Brothers Medical Center
- 2021 “Plight of the Pelvic Exam: Can It Really Be Dismissed?”
Panelist, Society of Academic Emergency Medicine (SAEM) Scientific Assembly 2021
- 2021 “COVID-19 Vaccines: The Real Story”
Panelist, Nuvance Health Equity, Diversity & Inclusion Employee Resource Group presentation
- 2020 “Know Your Health: COVID-19 Facts and Impact”
Panelist, Community Town Hall, presented by Nuvance Health in conjunction with the Dutchess County Department of Health and the Poughkeepsie School District
- 2020 “Ocular Emergencies”
EM Residency Conference, Vassar Brothers Medical Center
- 2020 “Emergency Severity Index”
EM Residency Conference, Vassar Brothers Medical Center
- 2020 “COVID-19: Our Classmates on the Frontline”
Panelist, Harvard University 25th Reunion Program
- 2020 Careers in Emergency Medicine
Panelist, Emergency Medicine Interest Group forum, Touro College of Osteopathic Medicine
- 2019 “Utilizing LEAN Principles to Optimize Organization of Trauma Room Supplies”
Abstract oral presentation at ACEP19 Scientific Assembly, Denver CO.
- 2019 “Congestive Heart Failure”
EMS CME, Vassar Brothers Medical Center
- 2019 “Dizziness and Vertigo”
EM Residency Conference, Nassau University Medical Center
- 2019 “Sepsis”
EM Residency Conference, Nassau University Medical Center
- 2018 “EM-101”
EM Residency Conference, Nassau University Medical Center
- 2017 “The Sepsis Challenge”
The Gerald W. Shafan Trauma Multidisciplinary Conference
Invited Lecture, Nassau University Medical Center
- 2017 “Sepsis”
Invited lecture, SUNY Stony Brook, School of Health Technology and Management, Stony Brook NY
- 2016 “Sepsis”

- Invited lecture, SUNY Stony Brook, School of Health Technology and Management, Stony Brook NY
- 2015 “Sepsis: Recognition & Management”
- Presentation to the Board of Directors, NYC Health + Hospitals
- 2014 “Everything You (N)Ever Wanted to Know About Observation”
- Invited lecture, Grand Rounds, Queens Hospital Center
- 2013 “Observation: The QHC Experience”
- “Acute Coronary Syndromes”
- Invited lectures, ED Care/Case Management, Physician Advisor Training, Health and Hospitals Corporation
- Elmhurst Hospital Center, Elmhurst, NY
- 2013 “To Err is Human: Human error in EM”, Queens Hospital Center
- 2012 “Improving hospital flow and the patient experience”
- Presented to the Medical Executive Committee
- Queens Hospital Center, Jamaica, NY
- 2012 *American Heart Association* ST-Elevation MI (STEMI) Project Launch
- Panelist, New York City *Mission: Lifeline*
- New York Academy of Medicine, New York, NY
- 2011 “Care/Case Management: A New Patient Care Paradigm”
- Presented to the Department of Internal Medicine
- Queens Hospital Center, Jamaica, NY
- 2011 “Care and Case Management: ED Perspective”
- Invited lecture, Health and Hospitals Corporation’s Emergency Department Case Management Kick-off
- Kings County Hospital, Brooklyn, NY
- 2010 “Approach to Shortness of Breath”
- Presented to the Department of Internal Medicine
- Queens Hospital Center, Jamaica, NY
- 2010 “Alumni Perspectives on Healthcare in America and Beyond”
- Invited speaker, MB Connects panel
- Moses Brown School, Providence, RI
- 2008 “Introduction to Emergency Medicine”
- Presented to the Physician Assistant Program
- York University, Jamaica, NY
- 2008 “On ED Crowding: A Faculty Perspective”
- Invited lecture
- Mount Sinai Emergency Medicine Academic Retreat
- Bronx, NY
- 2007 “A New Triage Paradigm”
- Invited lecture
- Presented at the Academic Meeting of the Department of Emergency Medicine, Mount Sinai School of Medicine
- New York, NY
- 2007 “Hypertensive Emergencies”
- Presented at the Universidad Autónoma de Guadalajara, Guadalajara, México

- 2007 "Acute Coronary Syndromes"
Presented at the Universidad Autónoma de Guadalajara
Guadalajara, México
- 2007 "Ophthalmologic Emergencies"
Presented at the Universidad Autónoma de Guadalajara
Guadalajara, México
- 2007 "Derangements in Carbohydrate Metabolism"
Presented at the Universidad Autónoma de Guadalajara
Guadalajara, México
- 2007 "Congestive Heart Failure"
Presented at the Universidad Autónoma de Guadalajara
Guadalajara, México
- 2007 "Orthopedic Emergencies: Parts I and II" and Hands-on Workshop
Presented to the Department of Internal Medicine
Queens Hospital Center, Jamaica, NY
- 2006 "Vertigo and Dizziness"
Presented to the Department of Emergency Medicine
Elmhurst Hospital Center, Elmhurst, NY
- 2006 "What Everyone Should Know About Emergency Medicine"
Presented to the Department of Internal Medicine
Queens Hospital Center, Jamaica, NY
- 2005 "Beware of the Dog: Animal-Borne Infections"
Presented to the Department of Internal Medicine
Queens Hospital Center, Jamaica, NY
- 2004 "Food-borne Illness"
Presented to the Department of Internal Medicine
Queens Hospital Center, Jamaica, NY
- 2003 "Blunt Trauma and Traumatic Arrest"
Presented to the Departments of Emergency Medicine and Surgery
Elmhurst Hospital Center, Jamaica, NY
- 2003 "Easy as pi: Your Career in Emergency Medicine"
Presented to the Department of Emergency Medicine
Mount Sinai School of Medicine, New York, NY
- 2002 "Acute Papillary Muscle Rupture in Blunt Trauma"
Presented to the Departments of Emergency Medicine and Cardiology,
Elmhurst Hospital Center, Elmhurst, NY
- 2002 "Unrecognized Myocardial Infarction"
Presented to the Department of Emergency Medicine
Mount Sinai School of Medicine, New York, NY
- 2002 "Carbon Monoxide Poisoning"
Presented to the Department of Emergency Medicine
Mount Sinai School of Medicine, New York, NY
- 2001 "Introduction to Therapeutic Hypothermia"
Presented to the Department of Emergency Medicine
Jersey City Medical Center, Jersey City, NJ
- 2001 "Zoonoses and Food-borne Illness"

- 2001 Presented to the Department of Emergency Medicine
Mount Sinai School of Medicine, New York, NY
“NSAID and Aspirin Hypersensitivity”
- 2001 Presented to the Department of Emergency Medicine
Mount Sinai School of Medicine, New York, NY
“Acute Adrenal Insufficiency”
- 2001 Presented to the Department of Emergency Medicine
Mount Sinai School of Medicine, New York, NY
“A Near-Miss: Review of Childhood Psychiatric Disorders”
- 2000 Presented to the Department of Emergency Medicine
Mount Sinai School of Medicine, New York, NY
“Diagnosis and Acute Management of DKA”
- 2000 Presented to the Department of Emergency Medicine
Mount Sinai School of Medicine, New York, NY
“Pontine Hemorrhage”
- 2000 Presented to the Department of Emergency Medicine
Mount Sinai School of Medicine, New York, NY
“Analgesia and Abdominal Pain: Misconceptions”

RESEARCH AND PUBLICATIONS

- 2026 Gonzalez M, Cady W, Santiago-Rosado L. Recruiting and Managing Volunteer Health Professionals, in Markenson D & Reilly M (Eds.), *Health Care Emergency Management: Principles and Practice*, 2nd ed. In press.
- 2025 Levine L, Smith A, Ghattas A, Conflitti J, **Santiago-Rosado L**. “From Crisis to Coordination: An Overdose Response Grounded in Harm Reduction, Surveillance, and Cross-Sector Collaboration in Dutchess County.” Statewide Harm Reduction Symposium, Albany, NY.
- 2023 St. Germain C, **Santiago-Rosado L**. Meet PHIL: The Dutchess County Public Health Innovation Lab. Oral presentation. NYS Public Health Partnership Conference, White Plains, NY.
- 2022 Kadish A, Halperin E, Murray KM, Swift R, Etienne M, Freeman S, Unni EJ, Gelman I, **Santiago-Rosado L**, & Schnabel-Ruppert P. (2022). Twenty-Third Symposium on COVID-19: What Have We Learned? How Can We Use What We Have Learned?. Retrieved from https://touro scholar.touro.edu/covid19_symposia/23
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- 1995 “Is it in their genes?: statistical determination of genetic influence on obesity in a Western Samoan population.” Senior honors thesis, Harvard University.

- 1994 Leadership Alliance Summer Research Program
Brown University, Providence, RI
Restructured and interpreted data on obesity in Samoa; created and implemented biostatistical algorithms for data analysis.

- 1993 Summer Medical and Research Training (SMART) Program
Baylor College of Medicine, Houston, TX
Gathered and interpreted data regarding feeding behavior as part of ongoing clinical trial in the Pediatric Gastroenterology department.

- 1992 Directed Behavioral Research
Harvard University, Cambridge, MA
Developed protocols and collected data to study cotton-top tamarin monkey behavior.

RELATED PROJECTS & ROLES

Advisory Board, Eastern Dutchess Rural Health Network

This broad coalition address systemic solutions to address gaps in care and health equity among rural populations within the county.

Board of Directors, New York State Association of County Health Officials

Direct policy and activities to benefit and augment the work of local health departments, thereby supporting prevention efforts and health promotion throughout the State.

Leadership Council, Poughkeepsie Children’s Cabinet

This non-profit brings together dozens of stakeholder organizations to establish and align “cradle to career” supports for children and youth in the city of Poughkeepsie.

Member, Poughkeepsie Healthy Black & Latinx Coalition

Organized local organizations around community-minded activities and projects and care paradigms that consider social determinants of health.

Nuvance Health Leadership Academy

Nominated by hospital administration, among 20 participants selected to be enrolled in this provider-specific longitudinal leadership training program involving synchronous and asynchronous instruction, as well as individual and group projects. Emphasis on health care administration and finance, communication and engagement, and collaborative leadership.

Throughput Committee, Vassar Brothers Medical Center

Founded and co-chaired the hospital’s first Throughput Committee, encompassing a wide array of participants from the C-suite to environmental services, case management, med-

surg nursing, hospitalists and ED clinicians. Created a LEAN-based value stream to define and approach the operational components that define hospital flow and throughput and initiated projects to support streamlined hospital flow.

Nuvance Health Physician Council

Represented my institution and field in this comprehensive hospital-system steering group comprised of physicians representing seven hospitals and over a dozen specialties.

Opiate Stewardship Committee, Vassar Brothers Medical Center

Created an ED-based opioid stewardship program to support the goals of system initiatives to decrease opioid prescribing across the continuum of care. Within 14 months achieved an overall 65% reduction in opiate doses prescribed from the ED that continues to be sustained.

Emergency Department Care Management, Physician Advisor, Queens Hospital Center; Co-Chair, Physician Advisor Workgroup, NYC Health + Hospitals

Support the goals of the Center for Medicare & Medicaid Innovation Grant for Enhanced Care Management. Develop standardized evidence-based guidelines to optimize care for high-risk and otherwise vulnerable patients. Conceptualize and deploy educational programs for staff at all levels to increase awareness of, and adherence to, care guidelines. Coordinate quality assurance activities. Collaboratively develop and disseminate standardized model of ED Care Management.

Emergency Department Flow Project, Process Owner, NYC Health + Hospitals

Identify high-impact interventions to support improved flow. Participate in visioning activities to promote patient flow, including workflow design, standard work and step-wise implementation at the facility level. Establish project goals and timelines promoting front line staff participation and engagement with prompt implementation.

Emergency Department Scribes Champion, NYC Health + Hospitals

Conceptualize and promote a pilot utilizing scribes to improve flow and documentation in the ED. Secure administrative support, approval by legal counsel, and funding. Initiate and maintain communication with stakeholders in health information management, information technology, and administration to ensure seamless implementation. Oversee quality assurance and metrics related to the performance of scribes in the ED.

Co-Creator, Trauma Alert Program, Queens Hospital Center

Develop and implement a formalized, multidisciplinary Trauma Alert program to achieve prompt response for patients with moderate to severe traumatic injuries arriving in a non-trauma center ED. Obtain buy-in from participating departments including General Surgery, Radiology, Anesthesiology, Respiratory Therapy and Administration to ensure a seamless coordinated response.

Director of Education, Queens Hospital Center Emergency Department

Coordinate educational endeavors for the department; supervise and evaluate rotating residents and medical students; instituted and supervise daily Morning Report cases; created and currently organize and moderate monthly Journal Club meetings.

Medical Student Education: Managed EM rotation for medical students from Icahn School of Medicine at Mount Sinai and St. George's University (SGU).

Resident Education: Instituted a robust four-week EM rotation for IM residents. Led multiple didactic sessions and hands-on workshops with the IM residents as an integral part of their daily "Noon Conference".

Rotator Handbook: In order to further formalize the rotation experience for both residents and students, I developed a rotator handbook that covers topics of interest to the rotators that are crucial in Emergency Medicine, as well as providing additional materials to supplement their learning.

Physician Assistant Education: Hosted a primary clinical site for rotating PA students from Touro College, York College and Stony Brook University.

Continuing Education: Established a daily Morning Report to be part of our weekday morning routine. Physicians, PAs, and rotating students and residents are assigned to deliver a brief discussion directed to staff at all levels.

Triage: Instituted the use of the Emergency Severity Index (or ESI system) to guide our triage decisions. Developed a teaching module to explain the basic structure of the system which became a pre-requisite to perform triage functions in the Department.

Journal Club: Established a monthly departmental Journal Club as a forum for discussion and ongoing education, and to facilitate faculty board recertification.

OTHER ACTIVITIES

2001-Present Mentor

Recruited to participate as mentor to a resident becoming junior faculty through New York ACEP's Opportunities for Women in Leadership (OWL) program

- Elaine Rodriguez MD

Participated in minority student mentoring program through Columbia College of Physicians and Surgeons' Campaign for Diversity and as Assistant Professor at Icahn School of Medicine at Mount Sinai

- Bryan Medina MD
- Tiffany Fieldings MD

Mentored residents in Emergency Medicine and Internal Medicine

- Anita Vashi MD
- Nalin Ranasinghe MD
- Ghassan Habib MD
- Mary McLean MD
- Alanna Dompkowski MD
- Miriam Bello MD

Faculty development mentorships

- Melissa Nelson-Perron MD
- Jesse Wolstein MD
- Jonathan Epstein MD
- Frayda Kresch MD
- Cheryl Lewison MD
- Jessica Berrios MD
- Kashif Creary, RPA-C, MPP
- Rasheed Davis, RPA-C, MA

2008-2010 **Master of Ceremonies**

Emergency Nurses' Week Program and Awards Ceremony, QHC
Women's History Month Celebration, QHC

2001 **Actor and Playwright**, Second-Year Resident Play, Mount Sinai Hospital
Authored the script for traditional resident satirical production; actively participated with featured role

1990-present **Spanish-English Translator**

Translated multiple legal, academic and medical documents after successful completion of the Federal Court Interpreters written examination

1995-1999 **Actor and Singer**, Bard Hall Players, Columbia University
Performed in several theatrical productions and musicals

1988-1995 **Volunteer Medical Interpreter**

Spanish-English interpreter in medical settings at Miriam Hospital in Rhode Island, Texas Children's Hospital and Massachusetts General Hospital

PERSONAL

Native proficiency in spoken and written Spanish. Elementary proficiency in French.

Married to Mark C. Stillman, MD.

Children: Mariana Santiago Stillman, 18 years; Diego Santiago Stillman, 16 years.

References provided upon request.

FAMILY & HUMAN SERVICES

RESOLUTION NO. 2021209

RE: CONFIRMATION OF APPOINTMENT OF LIVIA SANTIAGO-ROSADO, MD AS THE
DUTCHESS COUNTY COMMISSIONER OF BEHAVIORAL & COMMUNITY HEALTH
FOR A TERM OF ON OR ABOUT DECEMBER 28, 2021 THROUGH DECEMBER 27, 2027

Legislators GARITO, PULVER, BOLNER, and CASWELL offer the following and move its adoption:

WHEREAS, the County Executive has appointed Livia Santiago-Rosado, MD, FACEP FAAEM to be the Commissioner of the Department of Behavioral & Community Health for a six (6) year term effective on or about December 28, 2021 through December 27, 2027, and

WHEREAS, pursuant to Article VII, Section 7.01 of the Dutchess County Charter and Section 351(5) of the New York State Public Health Law, respectively, contingent upon the approval of the Commissioner of the New York State Department of Health, such appointment has been made, and

WHEREAS, the curriculum vitae of Dr. Santiago-Rosado is attached hereto and made a part hereof, and

WHEREAS, the Commissioner of Dutchess County Human Resources has determined that Dr. Santiago-Rosado is qualified to perform the duties of the position of Commissioner of Behavioral & Community Health, and

WHEREAS, Dr. Santiago-Rosado resides in the Town of LaGrange, County of Dutchess, now therefore

RESOLVED, that the appointment of Livia Santiago-Rosado, MD., as Commissioner of the Department of Behavioral & Community Health is hereby confirmed by this Legislature effective on or about December 28, 2021 through December 27, 2027, contingent upon the approval of the Commissioner of the New York State Department of Health, and it is further,

RESOLVED, that the salary for Dr. Santiago-Rosado as Commissioner of Behavioral & Community Health shall be commensurate to that of the position of Commissioner of Department of Behavioral & Community Health contained in the 2021 Dutchess Adopted County Budget.

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TJL/kvh
G-1652-B 11/10/2021
Fiscal Impact: Attached

APPROVED

MARCUS J. MOLINARO
COUNTY EXECUTIVE

Date DEC 8 2021

STATE OF NEW YORK

COUNTY OF DUTCHESS

This is to certify that I, the undersigned Clerk of the Legislature of the County of Dutchess have compared the foregoing resolution with the original resolution now on file in the office of said clerk, and which was adopted by said Legislature on the 2nd day of December 2021, and that the same is a true and correct transcript of said original resolution and of the whole thereof.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and seal of said Legislature this 2nd day of December 2021.

Leigh Wager
LEIGH WAGER, CLERK OF THE LEGISLATURE

L Aid ON THE DESKS 7/15/2024
GOVERNMENT SERVICES & ADMINISTRATION

RESOLUTION NO. 2024135

RE: LOCAL LAW NO. 1 OF 2024, A LOCAL LAW AMENDING
THE DUTCHESS COUNTY CHARTER AND ADMINISTRATIVE CODE TO
REORGANIZE THE DEPARTMENT OF BEHAVIORAL AND COMMUNITY
HEALTH INTO TWO SEPARATE DEPARTMENTS: THE DEPARTMENT OF
HEALTH AND THE DEPARTMENT OF MENTAL HEALTH AND TO ADD
THE OFFICE OF VETERANS AFFAIRS AS A DISTINCT UNIT OF COUNTY
GOVERNMENT

Legislators TRUITT, HOUSTON, POLASEK, GARITO, GORMAN, MC HOUL,
TRAVELPIECE, VALDÉS SMITH, ATKINS, KEARNEY, and LAWLER offer the following
and move its adoption:

RESOLVED, that the Legislature of the County of Dutchess adopt Local Law No. 1 of
2024 which has been submitted this day for consideration by said Legislature.

CA-076-24
CEB/rjw
G-1899-A
7/2/2024
Fiscal Impact: None

APPROVED

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SUSAN J. SERINO
COUNTY EXECUTIVE

Date 9/4/2024

STATE OF NEW YORK

SS:

COUNTY OF DUTCHESS

This is to certify that I, the undersigned Clerk of the Legislature of the County of Dutchess, have compared the foregoing resolution with
the original resolution now on file in the office of said clerk, and which was adopted by said Legislature on the 12th day of August 2024, and that the
same is a true and correct transcript of said original resolution and of the whole thereof.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and seal of said Legislature this 12th day of August 2024



Leigh Wagner
LEIGH WAGNER, CLERK OF THE LEGISLATURE

RE: LOCAL LAW NO. 1 OF 2024, A LOCAL LAW AMENDING
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GOVERNMENT.

BE IT ENACTED by the County Legislature of the County of Dutchess, State of New
York as follows:

SECTION 1. Legislative Intent. The Legislature hereby determines that the Department of Behavioral and Community Health should be reorganized, such that two separate departments shall be created: the Department of Health and the Department of Mental Health in order to coordinate the services set forth herein in an efficient manner, and to elevate the current Division of Mental Hygiene, from a division within the Department of Behavioral & Community Health to a distinct Department of Mental Health. The Department of Health shall be under the supervision of a Commissioner of Health and the Department of Mental Health shall be under the supervision of a Commissioner of Mental Health. The Legislature further determines that the Director of Veterans Services, formerly the head of a division of the Department of Behavioral and Community Health, shall direct the Office of Veterans Affairs, which shall be a distinct unit of County government.

SECTION 2. Articles VII of the Charter and Administrative Code of Dutchess County, entitled, "Department of Behavioral and Community Health" are hereby amended and renamed to "Department of Health." All references in Articles VII of the Charter and Administrative Code, as well as any other references in the Charter or the Administrative Code to the "Department of Behavioral and Community Health" or to the "Commissioner of Behavioral and Community Health," or the "Acting Commissioner of Behavioral and Community Health" shall be amended to "Department of Health" and to "Commissioner of Health", and to "Acting Commissioner of Health" respectively. Notwithstanding the foregoing, the County of Dutchess shall remain a "Health District," as defined by Article 3, Section 340 of the New York Public Health Law. The Commissioner of Health shall retain all the powers and duties conferred or imposed by law upon a county commissioner of health.

DUTCHESS COUNTY CHARTER

SECTION 3. Article VII, Section 7.01, of the Dutchess County Charter is hereby amended to read as follows:

Section 7.01. County Health District; Commissioner; Appointment; Qualifications; Term. The County of Dutchess shall be a health district. There shall be a Department of Health under the direction of a Commissioner of Health, who shall be appointed by the County Executive subject to confirmation by the County Legislature. At the time of his/her appointment, and

throughout his/her term of office, the Commissioner shall be and remain duly licensed and entitled to practice medicine in the State of New York and shall have such other qualifications as may be required by law. He/she shall be appointed on the basis of his/her professional experience and other qualifications for the responsibilities of his/her office. He/she shall be directly responsible to the County Executive, and shall be entitled to written charges, a hearing, and any other rights afforded in the Public Health Law or applicable law before he/she may be removed during the term for which he/she shall have been appointed. The term of the Commissioner shall be four years. The term having commenced December 28, 2021, shall expire December 27, 2025. A new term shall commence December 28, 2025, for four years, and every four years thereafter.

SECTION 4. Article VII, Section 7.04, of the Dutchess County Charter is hereby amended to read as follows:

Section 7.04. Deputy Commissioners and Staff. The Commissioner of Health shall have the power to appoint such Deputy Commissioners, assistants and employees of his/her department as shall be authorized by the County Legislature. At the times of their appointment, and throughout their terms of office, all Deputy Commissioners of Health, if any, assistants and employees shall have such qualifications as may be required by law. All Deputy Commissioners, assistants and employees of the department shall be directly responsible to, and serve at the pleasure of, the Commissioner, except as otherwise provided by this Charter, the Administrative Code or applicable law.

SECTION 5. Article VII, Section 7.05, of the Dutchess County Charter is hereby amended to read as follows:

Section 7.05. Acting Commissioner. The Commissioner of Health, subject to approval by the County Executive, shall designate in writing, and in order of succession, starting with a Deputy Commissioner followed by other deputies, if any, and assistants, who shall be Acting Commissioner of Health in the event of the Commissioner's absence from the County or inability to perform and exercise the powers and duties of his/her office. Such designation shall be filed with the County Clerk and the Clerk of the County Legislature and may be revoked at any time by the Commissioner by filing a new written designation and order of succession. The Acting Commissioner of Health shall have all the powers and perform all the duties of the Commissioner.

SECTION 6. Article VII, Section 7.07 of the Dutchess County Charter shall be deleted in its entirety.

SECTION 7. Article VII, Section 7.08 of the Dutchess County Charter shall be deleted in its entirety.

SECTION 8. Article VII, Section 7.09 of the Dutchess County Charter shall be deleted in its entirety.

SECTION 9. Article VII, Section 7.10 of the Dutchess County Charter shall be deleted in its entirety.

SECTION 10. Article VII, Section 7.11 of the Dutchess County Charter shall be deleted in its entirety.

SECTION 11. Article IX of the Dutchess County Charter shall be renamed, "Department of Mental Health" and shall be amended by the addition of the following sections:

Section 9.01. Department of Mental Health; Commissioner; Appointment; Qualifications; Term. There shall be a Department of Mental Health under the direction of Commissioner of Mental Health, who shall be appointed by the County Executive, subject to confirmation by the County Legislature. At the time of his/her appointment, and throughout his/her term of office, he/she shall possess the qualifications prescribed by the Mental Hygiene Law, the New York State Commissioner of Mental Hygiene, or any other applicable law, and he/she shall be appointed on the basis of his or her professional experience and other qualifications for the responsibilities of his or her office. He or she shall be directly responsible to, and serve at the pleasure of, the County Executive.

Section 9.02. Powers and Duties; Director of Community Services. The Commissioner of Mental Health shall be the chief administrative officer of the department and shall be designated the county Director of Community Services. At the time of his/her appointment, and throughout his/her term of office, he/she shall possess the qualifications prescribed by the Mental Hygiene Law, the New York State Commissioner of Mental Hygiene, or any other applicable law. Except as otherwise provided in this Charter, he/she shall have all the powers and perform all the duties conferred or imposed by law upon a county commissioner or board of mental health or hygiene and a county director of community services, and shall perform such other and related duties required by the County Executive or the County Legislature.

Section 9.03. Community Services Board; Powers and Duties; Vacancies. There shall be within the Department of Mental Health a Community Services Board which shall be advisory to the Department of Mental Health. Its composition, duties and responsibilities shall be as set forth in the Dutchess County Administrative Code and Mental Hygiene Law.

Section 9.04. Deputy Commissioners and staff. The Commissioner of Mental Health shall have the power to appoint such Deputy Commissioners, assistants and employees of his/her department as shall be authorized by the County Legislature. At the times of their appointment, and throughout their terms of office, all Deputy Commissioners, if any, shall have such qualifications as may be required by law. Except as otherwise provided by this Charter, the Administrative Code, or applicable law, all Deputy Commissioners, assistants and employees of the department shall be responsible to, and serve at the pleasure of, the Commissioner.

Section 9.05. Acting Commissioner. The Commissioner of Mental Health, subject to approval by the County Executive, shall designate in writing, and in order of succession, starting with a Deputy Commissioner followed by other deputies, if any, and assistants, who shall be Acting Commissioner of Mental Health, and thereby also Acting Director of Community Services, in the event of his/her absence from the County or inability to perform and exercise the powers and duties of his/her office. Such designation shall be filed with the County Clerk and the Clerk of the County Legislature and may be revoked at any time by the Commissioner filing a new

written designation and order of succession. Each Acting Commissioner shall, at the time of his/her designation, and throughout his/her term of office, possess the qualifications prescribed by the Mental Hygiene Law, the New York State Commissioner of Mental Hygiene, or any other applicable law. The Acting Commissioner of Mental Health shall have all the powers and perform all the duties conferred or imposed by law upon a county commissioner or board of mental health or hygiene and a county director of community services.

SECTION 12. Article XXX, Section 30.06, of the Dutchess County Charter is hereby amended to add the following:

Section 30.06. Office of Veterans Affairs; Director of Veterans Affairs; Appointment; Term; Qualifications. There shall be an office of Veterans Affairs under the direction of a Director of Veterans Affairs, who shall be appointed by the County Executive, subject to confirmation by the County Legislature. She or he shall be a veteran of the armed forces of the United States and shall be directly responsible to and serve at the pleasure of, the County Executive. She or he shall have all the powers and perform all the duties now or hereafter conferred or imposed upon her or him by law and perform such other and related duties required by the County Executive or County Legislature.

DUTCHESS COUNTY ADMINISTRATIVE CODE

SECTION 13. Article VII, Section 7.05 of the Dutchess County Administrative Code shall be deleted in its entirety.

SECTION 14. Article VII, Section 7.06 of the Dutchess County Administrative Code shall be deleted in its entirety.

SECTION 15. Article IX of the Dutchess County Administrative Code shall be renamed "Department of Mental Health" and amended to add new Sections and shall provide as follows:

Section 9.01. Community Services Advisory Board; Appointment; Officers; Meetings. There shall be in the Department of Mental Health a Community Services Advisory Board whose members shall be appointed by the County Legislature in the manner and for the term provided in the Mental Hygiene Law for Community Mental Health Boards. Each member of the Community Services Board shall continue to hold office for the balance of his or her other respective term, at the conclusion of which the applicable appointive provisions of this Code shall become effective. The Community Services Advisory Board shall elect annually a Chairman, Vice-Chairman, and a Secretary from among its members. Meetings of the Community Services Advisory Board shall be held at least quarterly at the call of the Chairman of such Board or the Director of Community Services, on three (3) days' written notice, mailed to such board members. Vacancies in the membership of said Board, occurring otherwise than by expiration of term shall be filled by appointment by the County Legislature for the unexpired terms.

Section 9.02. Community Services Advisory Board; Powers and Duties. The Community Services Advisory Board shall, in consultation with the Director of Community Services, prepare recommendations for meeting the mental health needs of Dutchess County.

Copies of the recommendations shall be transmitted to the County Executive for his or her evaluation and referral within sixty (60) days to the County Legislature and the State Commissioner of Mental Hygiene. The Community Services Advisory Board shall have and exercise such other powers and duties conferred upon such Board by the County Charter or this Code.

SECTION 16. Article XXX, Section 30.06, of the Dutchess County Administrative Code is hereby amended to add the following:

Section 30.06. Veterans Affairs.

1. The Director of Veterans Affairs shall inform military and naval authorities of the United States and assist members of the armed forces and veterans, who are residents of this County, and their families, in relation to:
 - a. Matters pertaining to educational training and retraining services and facilities;
 - b. Health, medical and rehabilitation services and facilities;
 - c. Provisions of federal, state and local laws and regulations affording special rights and privileges to members of the armed forces and veterans and their families;
 - d. Employment and re-employment services;
 - e. Other matters of similar, related or appropriate nature;
 - f. Assist families of members of the reserve components of the armed forces and organized militia ordered into active duty to ensure that they are made aware of and receiving all appropriate support available to them and are placed in contact with the agencies responsible for such support, including, but not limited to, the Division of Military and Naval Affairs and other state agencies responsible for providing such support;
 - g. Perform such other duties as may be assigned by the State Director of Veterans' Affairs; and
 - h. Such other services as may from time to time be allowed or deleted by state statute, rule or regulation.
2. The Director of Veterans Affairs shall also hold the title of the County Director of Veterans' Services Agency as set forth in Article 17 of the New York State Executive Law and he/she shall be a veteran.
3. The Director of Veterans Affairs may from time to time add or delete such programs as allowed by statute, rule or regulation.

SECTION 17. SEQRA Determination. It is hereby determined, pursuant to the provisions of the State Environmental Quality Review Act, 8 NYECL Section 0101, et seq., and its implementing regulations, Part 617 of 6 NYCRR, that the adoption of this local law is a "Type II" Action within the meaning of Section 617.5(c)(26) and (33) of 6 NYCRR, and, accordingly, is a class of actions which do not have a significant impact on the environment and no further review is required.

SECTION 18. SEVERABILITY. If any clause, sentence, paragraph, subdivision, section, or part of this law or the application thereof to any person, individual, corporation, firm, partnership, entity, or circumstance shall be adjudged by any court of competent jurisdiction to be invalid or unconstitutional, such order or judgment shall not affect, impair, or invalidate the remainder thereof, but shall be confined in its operation to the clause, sentence, paragraph, subdivision, section, or part of this law, or in its application to the person, individual, corporation, firm, partnership, entity, or circumstance directly involved in the controversy in which such order or judgment shall be rendered.

SECTION 19. Effective Date. This local law shall take effect immediately upon full compliance with all the requisite statutes and laws applicable to its adoption and promulgation.



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KATHY HOCHUL
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October 24, 2024

County of Dutchess
22 Market Street
Poughkeepsie, NY 12601

RE: County of Dutchess, Local Law 1 2024, filed on 9/11/2024

Dear Sir/Madam:

The above referenced material was filed by this office as indicated. Additional local law filing forms can be obtained from our website, www.dos.ny.gov.

Sincerely,
State Records and Law Bureau
(518) 473-2492



**Department
of State**

The foregoing Resolution No. 2024135, Local Law No. 1 of 2024, A LOCAL LAW AMENDING THE DUTCHESS COUNTY CHARTER AND ADMINISTRATIVE CODE TO REORGANIZE THE DEPARTMENT OF BEHAVIORAL AND COMMUNITY HEALTH INTO TWO SEPARATE DEPARTMENTS: THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND THE DEPARTMENT OF MENTAL HEALTH AND TO ADD THE OFFICE OF VETERANS AFFAIRS AS A DISTINCT UNIT OF COUNTY GOVERNMENT, was laid on desks on July 15, 2024, and considered on August 12, 2024.

Roll call vote at that time resulted as follows:

AYES: 24 Atkins, Brendli, Caswell, D'Aquanni, Drago, Faust, Garito, Gorman, Houston, House, Johnson, Kaul, Kearney, Lawler, Metzger, Munn, Page, Paoloni, Polasek, Rolison, Travelpiece, Truitt, Valdés Smith, and Versaci

NAYS: 0

ABSENT: 1 McHoul

Resolution adopted.

The County Executive held a public hearing on the foregoing Local Law on August 29, 2024, and signed it into Law on September 4, 2024. The effective date of the Local Law was September 11, 2024.

Government Services and Administration Roll Call

<i>District</i>	<i>Name</i>	<i>Yes</i>	<i>No</i>
District 7 - Hyde Park and Pleasant Valley	Truitt*	✓	
District 25 - Amenia, Washington, Pleasant Valley & Millbrook	Houston*		
District 3 - LaGrange	Polasek*		
District 16 - Fishkill and Beacon	Valdés Smith*		
District 9 - City of Poughkeepsie	Atkins*		
District 6 - Town of Poughkeepsie	Kaul		
District 14 - Wappinger and Town of Poughkeepsie	Versaci		
District 17 - Town and Village of Fishkill	McHoul (C)		
District 18 - City of Beacon and Fishkill	Page		
District 20 - Red Hook, Tivoli, and Rhinebeck	Munn		
District 21 - East Fishkill	Caswell		
District 24 - Dover and Pawling	House (VC)		
Present: <u>12</u>	Resolution: <u>✓</u>	Total : <u>12</u>	<u>0</u>
Absent: <u>0</u>	Motion: <u>—</u>	Yes	No
Vacant: <u>0</u>		Abstentions: <u>0</u>	

2024135 A LOCAL LAW AMENDING THE DUTCHESS COUNTY CHARTER AND ADMINISTRATIVE CODE TO REORGANIZE THE DEPARTMENT OF BEHAVIORAL AND COMMUNITY HEALTH INTO TWO SEPARATE DEPARTMENTS: THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND THE DEPARTMENT OF MENTAL HEALTH AND TO ADD THE OFFICE OF VETERANS AFFAIRS AS A DISTINCT UNIT OF COUNTY GOVERNMENT

AUGUST 8, 2024

Roll Call Sheets

District	Last Name	YES	NO
District 7 - Hyde Park and Pleasant Valley	Truitt	✓	
District 25 - Amenia, Washington, Pleasant Valley & Millbrook	Houston		
District 3 - LaGrange	Polasek		
District 16 - Fishkill and Beacon	Valdés Smith		
District 9 - City of Poughkeepsie	Atkins		
District 1 - Town of Poughkeepsie	Gorman		
District 2 - LaGrange, Pleasant Valley & Town of Poughkeepsie	Travelpiece		
District 4 - Hyde Park and Town of Poughkeepsie	Lawler		
District 5 - Town of Poughkeepsie	D'Aquanni		
District 6 - Town of Poughkeepsie	Kaul		
District 8 - City and Town of Poughkeepsie	Brendli		
District 10 - City of Poughkeepsie	Johnson		
District 11 - Clinton, Pleasant Valley, and Rhinebeck	Kearney		
District 12 - East Fishkill	Metzger		
District 13 - East Fishkill and Wappinger	Paoloni		
District 14 - Wappinger and Town of Poughkeepsie	Versaci		
District 15 - Wappinger	Faust		
District 17 - Town and Village of Fishkill	McHoul	Absent	
District 18 - City of Beacon and Fishkill	Page		
District 19 - North East, Stanford, Pine Plains, Milan & Red Hook	Drago		
District 20 - Red Hook, Tivoli, and Rhinebeck	Munn		
District 21 - East Fishkill	Caswell		
District 22 - Beekman and Union Vale	Garito		
District 23 - Pawling, Beekman and East Fishkill	Rolison		
District 24 - Dover and Pawling	House		

Present:

24
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Resolution:

✓

Total :

24

0

Absent:

0

Motion:

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Yes

No

Vacant:

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Abstentions:

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AUGUST 12, 2024

Family and Human Services Committee Roll Call

<i>District</i>	<i>Name</i>	<i>Yes</i>	<i>No</i>
District 16 - Fishkill and Beacon	Valdés Smith*	X	
District 9 - City of Poughkeepsie	Atkins*	X	
District 20 - Red Hook, Tivoli, and Rhinebeck	Munn*	X	
District 3 - LaGrange	Polasek*	X	
District 12 - East Fishkill	Metzger*		ABSENT
District 2 - LaGrange, Pleasant Valley & Town of Poughkeepsie	Arnoff (C)	X	
District 19 - North East, Stanford, Pine Plains, Milan & Red Hook	Drago	X	
District 24 - Dover and Pawling	House	X	
District 6 - Town of Poughkeepsie	Kaul (VC)	X	
District 17 - Town and Village of Fishkill	McHoul		ABSENT
District 5 - Town of Poughkeepsie	Shah	X	
District 14 - Wappinger and Town of Poughkeepsie	Winsby	X	

Present: <u>10</u>	Resolution: <u> </u>	Total : <u>10</u>
Absent: <u>2</u>	Motion: <u> </u>	Yes No
Vacant: <u> </u>		Abstentions: <u> </u>

2026059 CONFIRMING REAPPOINTMENT OF LIVIA SANTIAGO-ROSADO, MD, MPH,
FACEP AS COMMISSIONER OF THE DUTCHESS COUNTY DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH

Roll Call Sheets

District	Last Name	YES	NO
District 16 - Fishkill and Beacon	Valdés Smith	X	
District 9 - City of Poughkeepsie	Atkins	X	
District 20 - Red Hook, Tivoli, and Rhinebeck	Munn	X	
District 3 - LaGrange	Polasek	X	
District 12 - East Fishkill	Metzger	X	
District 1 - Town of Poughkeepsie	Redl		ABSENT
District 2 - LaGrange, Pleasant Valley & Town of Poughkeepsie	Arnoff	X	
District 4 - Hyde Park and Town of Poughkeepsie	Lawler	X	
District 5 - Town of Poughkeepsie	Shah	X	
District 6 - Town of Poughkeepsie	Kaul	X	
District 7 - Hyde Park and Pleasant Valley	Darrow	X	
District 8 - City and Town of Poughkeepsie	Brendli	X	
District 10 - City of Poughkeepsie	Johnson	X	
District 11 - Clinton, Pleasant Valley, and Rhinebeck	Kearney	X	
District 13 - East Fishkill and Wappinger	Giles	X	
District 14 - Wappinger and Town of Poughkeepsie	Winsby	X	
District 15 - Wappinger	Faust		ABSENT
District 17 - Town and Village of Fishkill	McHoul	X	
District 18 - City of Beacon and Fishkill	Rhodes	X	
District 19 - North East, Stanford, Pine Plains, Milan & Red Hook	Drago	X	
District 21 - East Fishkill	Caswell		ABSENT
District 22 - Beekman and Union Vale	Tresca	X	
District 23 - Pawling, Beekman and East Fishkill	Rolison	X	
District 24 - Dover and Pawling	House	X	
District 25 - Amenia, Washington, Pleasant Valley & Millbrook	Alexander	X	
Present:	<u>22</u>	Resolution:	<u> </u>
Absent:	<u>3</u>	Motion:	<u> </u>
Vacant:	<u> </u>	Total :	<u>22</u> <u>0</u>
		Yes	No
		Abstentions:	<u> </u>

CONSENT AGENDA: RESOLUTIONS 2026043, 044, 045, 046, 047, 048, 049, 050, 052, 055, 056, 057, 059, 060, 061, 062, 063