

HANYS MEMBERS FINDING SOLUTIONS

HANYS' COMMITTEES AND FORUMS

SHAPING THE POLICY AGENDA WITH YOU

The Healthcare Association of New York State's members guide the Association's policy agenda and strategies by sharing their expertise, viewpoints and ideas in a variety of venues, including HANYS Board of Trustees and an array of policy committees, workgroups and task forces.

Members serving on these panels represent diverse constituencies, including rural, urban, small community, suburban, specialty, teaching, academic medical center and public hospitals as well as continuing care facilities from across the state. In addition to guiding HANYS' policy agenda,

committee participation provides members with valuable opportunities to network and discuss important healthcare issues with colleagues from other organizations across the state.

Most of these member committees and forums are open to all members, while some require a nomination or invitation. Groups that require a nomination or invitation are marked with an asterisk (*).

The following list of member committees is divided into those with fixed committee memberships and those that are open forums for anyone to join.

COMMITTEES WITH ESTABLISHED MEMBERSHIP

Board of Trustees*

HANYS' board has fiduciary and governance responsibilities that guide the association's mission and activities. Comprised of hospital and system chief executive officers and trustee leaders, the board has representatives from all facility types and regions of the state. Guided by the HANYS Bylaws and allied association recommendations, selection of board members is performed by a nominating committee of the board.

HANYS Leads: Bea Grause, Nancy Wood

HANYS Services Board of Directors*

HANYS Services is a for-profit subsidiary corporation of HANYS that provides valuable marketplace solutions for healthcare institutions and helps subsidize HANYS' advocacy activities. HSI operates under the brands of HANYS Benefit Services, DataGen and HANYS Marketplace. The HANYS Services board is comprised of hospital executives drawn from HANYS' membership.

HANYS Leads: Al Campanella, James Kelley

Healthcare Trustees of New York State Board of Governors*

HTNYS, a division of HANYS that serves hospital and health system trustees at every member institution statewide, is led by a board of governors. HTNYS supports and promotes the advocacy and political action efforts of healthcare trustees, offers governance education and best practices and hosts the largest trustee education conference in the nation each fall. A governance committee of the board is guided by the HTNYS Bylaws and allied association recommendations in the selection of governors.

HANYS Leads: Nick Henley, Kristen Phillips



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COMMITTEES WITH ESTABLISHED MEMBERSHIP

Political Action Committee Steering Committee*

The PAC Steering Committee guides the association's two PACs: HANYS PAC and the Healthcare Association of NYS and Allied Associations' Federal PAC. The committee also assists with the annual PAC fundraising campaign and the PAC's political activities.

HANYS Lead: Nick Henley

Strategy, Innovation and Policy Committee*

In 2018, the HANYS board of trustees undertook a long-range planning process to help members adapt and thrive in a changing world. This process identified overarching strategies to help member organizations be resilient regardless of how the future unfolds. In addition, a HANYS board-level Strategy, Innovation and Policy Committee was formed to develop strategies and positions on emerging issues, explore new and promising policies or care delivery developments and guide advocacy and policy positions. The SIP Committee is comprised of HANYS board members.

HANYS Lead: Courtney Burke

Statewide Steering Committee on Quality Initiatives

The Statewide Steering Committee on Quality Initiatives is a group of clinical and operational leaders that advises HANYS on policy and educational programming to support advancements in patient safety and quality of care across New York. The committee engages in direct dialogue with federal and state policymakers; develops tools, resources and voluntary collaboratives to help HANYS members meet their quality/patient safety goals; and serves as a forum for sharing best practices.

HANYS Lead: Kathy Rauch

Diversity, Equity and Inclusion Leaders Committee

Comprised of diversity, equity and inclusion leaders from across the state, this committee is charged with developing and recommending educational programming, projects and policies to advance health equity, diversity and inclusion throughout New York's healthcare facilities.

HANYS Lead: Kenya James

Health Equity Task Force

Comprised of health equity leaders at HANYS member organizations, this task force provides recommendations, develops initiatives and shares strategies to direct HANYS' health equity initiatives. The task force helps New York's healthcare providers deliver high-quality healthcare across diverse populations in their communities.

HANYS Leads: Kenya James, Kathy Rauch, Erin Gretzinger

Infection Control and Prevention Committee

This committee reviews science and data to suggest unified infection control and prevention practices for staff, patients and communities. The group identifies policy, protocol and regulatory barriers and develops best practices and solutions that will result in improved clinical, operational and financial outcomes.

HANYS Lead: Lauren Ashley

Managed Care Advisory Group

Comprised of professionals from managed care, contracting, revenue cycle management, care coordination, legal, denials management and others, the group focuses on how payers and providers interact and operate. The advisory group provides a forum to update members on plan policy changes, HANYS' initiatives and other associated current events, as well as to gather data and information to troubleshoot common managed care concerns. The group discusses major health insurance developments, including problematic commercial and governmental payer practices, and federal and state reform initiatives. HANYS staff provide regular briefings to this group and seek input to inform HANYS' advocacy strategy.

Leads: Jeff Gold, Victoria Aufiero

Statewide Critical Care Workgroup

This multidisciplinary committee provides critical care clinical experts with a forum to discuss issues related to pandemic surge planning, emerging clinical care knowledge, and federal and state regulatory requirements during a public health emergency. In its deliberations, the workgroup identifies recommendations, lessons learned and best practices for potential statewide sharing and/or policy advocacy. The group also forms state, regional and local plans to better coordinate and standardize the care delivery.

HANYS Lead: Kathy Rauch, Maria Sacco

Clinical Staffing Committee Consortium

To support the successful implementation of nurse staffing committees, HANYS, in partnership with the New York Organization of Nurse Executives and Leaders, formed a statewide consortium of nurse executives. The group's purpose is to guide HANYS' advocacy and educational programming; engage in issue spotting and collective problem solving; achieve consensus on a measurement strategy to demonstrate positive outcomes over time; and identify best practices, tools and other resources that will be shared with the broader HANYS and NYONEL memberships.

HANYS Leads: Amy Nickson, Kathy Rauch

Behavioral Health Task Force

Comprised of behavioral health leaders from across the state, this task force guides efforts to advance patient care and navigate policy and practice challenges relating to the provision of services to individuals with mental illness, substance use disorders and intellectual or developmental disabilities by developing and providing recommendations for state and federal policy.

HANYS Leads: Jeff Gold, Sarah DuVall

Statewide Human Resource Advisory Council

Comprised of healthcare organization human resource leaders, the council is charged with providing input into the Association's statewide workforce agenda, including advocacy, developing innovative solutions to workforce shortages, developing operational and educational support and best practices, redesigning the workplace and designing marketplace solutions.

HANYS Lead: Evan Brooksby

340B Strategy Group

HANYS' 340B Strategy Group is made up of the leaders of the 20 hospitals and health systems across the state that participate in the 340B Drug Pricing Program. This group helps inform and guide HANYS' policy and advocacy work, with the goal of protecting access to this important program.

HANYS Leads: Kevin Krawiecki, Cristina Batt, Amy Nickson

Statewide Committee on Healthcare Auxiliaries

This committee helps shape the development of HANYS' advocacy and education agendas for auxiliaries and volunteers, and helps strengthen the participation of auxiliaries in their healthcare facilities and communities.

HANYS Lead: Kristen Phillips

Community Health Task Force

Comprised of community health executives from across New York state, this task force focuses on building partnerships that improve the health and wellness of all New Yorkers and demonstrating healthcare facilities' contributions to communities. The Task Force's input on issues related to the New York state Prevention Agenda, the development of community service plans and community benefit reporting is critical to the development of HANYS' community health advocacy agenda.

HANYS Lead: Kristen Phillips

Statewide Emergency Preparedness Advisory Committee

The committee provides input and guidance on critical policy and operational issues to healthcare providers, lawmakers and regulators. Comprised of representatives from HANYS' diverse membership, this committee provides guidance for acute and continuing care members across the state.

HANYS Lead: Chris Smith

OPEN MEMBERSHIP FORUMS

Government Relations Update Calls

HANYS state and federal governmental affairs teams hold regular calls to discuss the latest legislative and advocacy issues in Albany and Washington. These calls are open to all HANYS members and are geared towards C-suite, governmental affairs and public relations staff.

HANYS Leads: Amy Nickson, Cristina Batt

Fiscal Policy Update Calls

HANYS Economic, Finance and Informatics team holds quarterly calls to discuss the latest state and federal fiscal policy impacting hospitals, health systems and nursing homes. These calls are open to fiscal officers across the HANYS membership.

HANYS Leads: Kevin Krawiecki, Melanie Graham, Todd Ball

Post-acute and Continuing Care Advisory Committee

Comprised of nursing home administrators, finance professionals and others, this committee provides input and feedback on all fiscal, policy, regulatory and operational issues impacting post-acute care to steer HANYS' post-acute and continuing care policy and advocacy work.

HANYS Lead: Dora Fisher

Health Information Technology Strategy Group

HANYS' HIT Strategy Group is an educationally focused group whose mission is to inform health system leaders across New York state of the latest technologies and regulatory concerns surrounding the use of technology in healthcare. Chaired by two member physician informaticists, the group advises HANYS on state and federal HIT priorities and provides guidance on implementation of key educational and advocacy programs.

HANYS Lead: Tom Hallisey

Questions?

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