

Human Services

BOL Meeting Minutes - Published Draft



Committee Chair: Nancy Barr

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Monday, November 24, 2025

9:00 AM

Committee Room

Joint w/ B&A

CALL TO ORDER

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Others in Attendance: GUESTS: Stephanie Basilan, Nancy Tunis, Karin Hablow, Mario Arena, Obed Varughese, David Kvinge, Matthew Castro, Gayle Katzman, Robert Abbamont, Pat Tomassi, Vincent Kopicki, Steve Elie-Pierre, Adam Epstein, Frank Donovan, Sandra Brown; BOL: Catherine Parker (Remote), Judah Holstein, Shanae Williams, David Tubiolo, Colin Smith (Remote) Anant Nambiar, Jenn Puja, James Silverberg, Jill Axelrod, Dayana Gomez, Ethan Samuel, Lisa Hochman, Adrienne Kaye

Present: Legislator Barr, Legislator Imamura, Legislator Pierce and Legislator Williams Johnson

Remote: Legislator Alvarado

MINUTES APPROVAL

Tuesday, January 14th, 2025 at 10:00 AM

On motion of Legislator Williams Johnson, seconded by Legislator Pierce, the above item was approved. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: Legislator Barr, Legislator Imamura, Legislator Pierce and Legislator Williams Johnson

Remote: Legislator Alvarado

Monday February 10th, 2025 at 10:00 AM

On motion of Legislator Williams Johnson, seconded by Legislator Pierce, the above item was approved. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: Legislator Barr, Legislator Imamura, Legislator Pierce and Legislator Williams Johnson

Remote: Legislator Alvarado

Wednesday February 12th, 2025 at 12:00 PM

On motion of Legislator Williams Johnson, seconded by Legislator Pierce, the above item was approved. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: Legislator Barr, Legislator Imamura, Legislator Pierce and Legislator Williams Johnson

Remote: Legislator Alvarado

Wednesday February 19th, 2025 at 10:00 AM

On motion of Legislator Williams Johnson, seconded by Legislator Pierce, the above item was approved. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: Legislator Barr, Legislator Imamura, Legislator Pierce and Legislator Williams Johnson

Remote: Legislator Alvarado

Monday March 10th, 2025 at 10:00 AM

On motion of Legislator Williams Johnson, seconded by Legislator Pierce, the above item was approved. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: Legislator Barr, Legislator Imamura, Legislator Pierce and Legislator Williams Johnson

Remote: Legislator Alvarado

Tuesday March 25th, 2025 at 10:00 AM

On motion of Legislator Williams Johnson, seconded by Legislator Pierce, the above item was approved. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: Legislator Barr, Legislator Imamura, Legislator Pierce and Legislator Williams Johnson

Remote: Legislator Alvarado

Monday April 7th, 2025 at 1:00 PM

On motion of Legislator Williams Johnson, seconded by Legislator Pierce, the above item was approved. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: Legislator Barr, Legislator Imamura, Legislator Pierce and Legislator Williams Johnson

Remote: Legislator Alvarado

Tuesday April 15th, 2025 at 4:15 PM

On motion of Legislator Williams Johnson, seconded by Legislator Pierce, the above item was approved. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: Legislator Barr, Legislator Imamura, Legislator Pierce and Legislator Williams Johnson

Remote: Legislator Alvarado

I. ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION

[2025-374](#) **ACT-WCHCC-Sexual Assault, Abuse and Victim's Empowerment Program**

AN ACT authorizing the County of Westchester to enter into an agreement with the Westchester County Health Care Corporation for the term commencing retroactively on January 1, 2025 through December 31, 2027 pursuant to which the Westchester County Health Care Corporation ("WCHCC") shall provide free culturally-competent bilingual services for victims of sexual assault residing in Westchester County.

SUBMITTED BY: COMMITTEES ON BUDGET & APPROPRIATIONS AND HUMAN SERVICES

Guests: Office for Women

Program Coordinator Stephanie Basilan

Nancy Tunis; Law Dept: Rachel Noe Associate County Attorney

This program will fund the Westchester Medical Center to provide advocates for domestic violence victims. The advocates would be part of the High Risk Team and provide safety planning for the victims and follow up services. In addition to continuing this program, the Act also requests funding to add a bilingual hotline for victims in 2026.

On motion of Legislator Barr, seconded by Legislator Alvarado, the above item was signed by committee and referred to Board of Legislators. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: Legislator Barr, Legislator Imamura, Legislator Pierce and Legislator Williams Johnson

Remote: Legislator Alvarado

II. OTHER BUSINESS

III. RECEIVE & FILE

[2025-480](#) **CLERK OF THE BOARD: REPORT: Westchester County Department of Community Mental Health 2024 Annual Report**

Forwarding the 2024 Westchester County Department of Community Mental Health Annual Report.

COMMITTEE REFERRAL: COMMITTEE ON HUMAN SERVICES

ADJOURNMENT

Moved by Legislator Williams Johnson seconded by Legislator Pierce the Committee adjourned at 9:38 AM. by the following vote:

Aye: Legislator Barr, Legislator Imamura, Legislator Pierce and Legislator Williams Johnson

Remote: Legislator Alvarado