Fund ACCESS HEALTH NYC to ensure that the most underserved New Yorkers will be informed about their rights and options in accessing health care services and programs.

A Grassroots Advocacy Campaign of the People’s Budget Coalition for Public Health

What is ACCESS HEALTH NYC?
- Access Health NYC is a city-wide proposal to fund community-based organizations (CBOs) to provide education, outreach, and assistance to all New Yorkers about how to access health care and coverage.
- Access Health NYC will build capacity, amplify existing community-based efforts, and support community-based organizations with the goal of targeting individuals and families, who are uninsured, speak English as a second language, people with disabilities, LGBTQ, formerly incarcerated, homeless, and other New Yorkers experiencing barriers to health care access/information about health coverage and options.
- Access Health NYC enhances the work of the NYS-funded navigators by informing and linking hard-to-reach and underserved New Yorkers to coverage and existing free and low cost health care options and to provide consumer assistance.

Why do we need ACCESS HEALTH NYC?
- Health care is complicated in New York. Many communities do not know how to access the many sources of free and low-cost care, including knowing their rights when accessing health care services.
- Underserved communities look to CBOs for culturally competent and accurate information about public programs and services. CBOs need funding, support and training to help them ensure that every New Yorker understand how to access health care coverage and services.
- Better access to insurance coverage and primary and preventive care will reduce health care costs for families and safety net providers like HHC, and improve health outcomes for all New Yorkers.
- New York State of Health Navigator contracts do not fund navigator organizations to conduct community education, outreach and post-enrollment assistance.

How will ACCESS HEALTH NYC work?
- $5 million will support lead agencies to fund, train, monitor/evaluate, and provide technical assistance/guidance to local CBO’s as well as support a consumer helpline. Lead agencies are Coalition for Asian American Children and Families, Commission on the Public’s Health System, Community Service Society, Federation of Protestant Welfare Agencies, and the New York Immigration Coalition.
- Close to 80% of the funds will be re-granted to CBO’s to conduct 10 provider training events each and support 30 targeted education and outreach events throughout the city and to provide consumer assistance to New York City residents.
- Key grants allocation criteria: number of uninsured, newly insured, and identified gaps/barriers in neighborhoods to culturally and linguistically competent care.

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Sponsoring organizations:
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Organizational Supporters (in formation)

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Advocate for the Learning Disabled
American Heart Association
Arab-American Family Support Center
Brooklyn Center for Independence of the Disabled
Brooklyn Perinatal Network
Bronx Health Link
Cabini Immigrant Services
CAMBA
Center for Independence of the Disabled, NY
Children’s Defense Fund-New York
Christopher Rose Community Empowerment Campaign
Cidadão Global
Choices in Childbirth
Citizens’ Committee for Children
Coalition for Asian American Children and Families
Commission on the Public’s Health System
Community Service Society of New York
Cypress Hills Local Development Corporation
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Federation of County Networks, Inc
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Center
Mekong NYC
Metro New York Health Care for All Campaign
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New Immigrant Community Empowerment
New York Committee for Occupational Safety and
Health (NYCOSH)
New York Immigration Coalition
New York Lawyers for the Public Interest
New York State Nurses Association
Northern Manhattan Perinatal Partnership, Inc.
NYSED - ACCES-VR Queens District Office
NYU Center for the Study of Asian American Health
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32 BJ- SEIU
116th Street Block Association, Inc