

	<p>Gus reviewed recent federal actions that are listed on the NYSPHA website at https://nyspha.org/federal-policy-and-advocacy</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 10/23/2023 - NYSPHA signed on to a letter sponsored by the New York Immigration Coalition to Senator Schumer urging him to ensure that the US Department of Health and Human Services finalized a proposed rule to expand health coverage for DACA recipients, crime victims, and immigrant children. • 11/2/2023 – An alert from the Coalition of Human Needs was forwarded to NYSPHA board and PAC members allowing them to contact their US senators and congresspersons in support of continuing funding for the WIC program. Thanks to those who took action. 	
NYSACHO Update	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Crissy: Not present 	
Climate Change Workgroup update	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Susan Harris: Not present: at the Youth Summit in the Adirondacks. 	If you want to join the Climate Workgroup contact Susan at sharri6g@gmail.com
FY 2024 Budget Letter to the Governor	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Gus: The final budget recommendations letter was sent to the Governor on October 30. Thanks to Crissy, Sarah and Robert at NYSACHO, Mandy from the Association for Rural Health, Sylvia, Claudia, Susan Harris, Brett Harris and Namita for contributing to the letter. It was shared with the state budget director, secretary for health to the Governor, and the Commissioners of Health, Mental Health and Addiction Services and Supports. The letter was reviewed in depth with membership on the call. Letter will be posted on the NYSPHA website. Philip Gioia suggested getting the message about ROI for public health expenditures. 	Contact Gus with requests for items on budget letter to gov: include facts and wording.
NYSPHA 2024 NYS Legislative Priorities Member survey	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Nimisha (intern who is an MPH student) has been analyzing the results of the survey. So far there have been 55 respondents (62% were members of the PAC). • Highest priorities :Health /racial equity, Local PH infrastructure and workforce funding, mental health and substance use prevention and support • “Additional 3 priorities”: a wide range of additional comments were cited. A closer look will give a chance to narrow list down into categories. Nisha offered to work with Nimisha on this. Muhammed also has an interest in helping look further into this list. • Top priorities: local public health infrastructure, health/ racial equity, combating climate change, mental health prevention and support • Issues people would be willing to work on, and how: there were a large number of responses; still to be looked at, and people did provide contact information . Gus feels there are more people who can be tapped 	Survey is at: https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLScAcs3Zvx6FaJ_Bim_RaIbHb696Jr8yorGJXP0xqw_H8bwYZA/viewform

	who are not in PAC yet.	
Policy Statements	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Substance use treatment policy statement still in progress. • Suicide prevention policy statement still in progress. 	
NYC PAC update	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Kavitha: Traveling and could not attend 	If interested in joining or have suggestions for how to increase attendance, contact Kavitha at: kpd2102@gmail.com
Other business	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Heather asked about how can we be policy advocates including for local issues. Gus spoke about such efforts as responding to advocacy notices, writing letters, getting involved in local opportunities representing statewide organizations, visiting Albany to meet with legislators, improving our social media footprint. Claudia spoke about how to coordinate efforts with other organizations . Gus also mentioned that if you have a public health policy advocacy issue that you are interested in, bring it to a PAC meeting and we can discuss how to address it, and solicit who wants to help. • The next PAC meeting is Wednesday, December 13 from noon to 1PM. Have a good Thanksgiving. 	

Sean Haley	-											
Van Cleary-Hammerstedt	-											
Susan Harris	x			x								
Naomi Harris Tolson	-											
Emily Hayes	-				x							
Lovina John	x		x	x	x							
Adriann Johnson	x			x								
Leana Kalinowsky	-											
Diane Kolak	-											
Namita Kulkarni (intern)				x								
Kayla Liszewski	-											
Sarah Merritt	-											
Heather McGrane Minton	x		x		x							
Ellen Morehouse	-											
Abigail Mosenthin	-											
Nika Norvila	x		x									
Alayza Penn-Williams				x								
Sylvia Pirani	-		x		x							
Melissa Puicon-Healey	x		x									
Mandy Qualls (NYSARH)	x			X	x							
Mel Ray	x											
Judy Rightmyer	-											
Craig Rijkaard	x		x	x	x							
Marie Sonia Saint Rose-Bienvil				x								

