Manhattan Transition Committee Meeting

Chair: Kathy Kelly Co-Chair: Lucy Kramer Minutes From: January 14th, 2015 Next Meeting: February 11th, 2015

Place and Time: AHRC, 83 Maiden Lane, 11th Fl @ 9:30

Opportunities:

AHRC, NYC: (AKA: AHRC)

See Attached Vacancy List

Association For MetroArea Autistic Children:

(AKA: AMAC)

Openings are available in Day Habilitation With Walls for those diagnosed with Autism, transportation is provided to and from program for individuals that reside in the Bronx and Manhattan AMAC has openings in their traditional 2 week sleep away program and one doesn't need to be

AMAC has openings in their traditional 2 week sleep away program and one doesn't need to be Waiver enrolled or need to be OPWDD eligible. Campers need to be 8 years or older, ambulatory, and toilet trained.

General Human Outreach:

(AKA: GHO)

Openings are available in Long Island City and Manhattan for Day Habilitation With Walls and Day Habilitation Without Walls

Human First Inc.:

17 Day Habilitation Openings in Manhattan, Brooklyn, and Queens

The Day Habilitation openings in Manhattan, is a traditional Day Hab Program With Walls
The Day Habilitation program in Brooklyn and Queens is Without Walls but there is a site that the
individuals "meet' at every day

Life Adjustment Center:

(AKA: LAC)

Openings are in our Day Habilitation Programs W/Walls in the following locations:

Northern Harlem: for those with Moderate to Severe MR Lower East Side: for those with Moderate to Mild MR

Brooklyn: for those diagnosed with Autism or along the spectrum

All of LAC's Day Programs take those who aren't ready for work.

We focus primarily on Adaptive Daily Livings Skills, Self Help Skills, and Socialization Skills. Basic Functional Academics are also taught to the individuals that we serve. Our individuals go out into the Community on a consistent basis via Community Inclusion such as: walks or bus trips. We offer transportation to and from all programs

Young Adult Institute:

(AKA: YAI)

Has Supportive Employment Openings and one must be referred through Access V-R. However, one doesn't need to be referred through Access V-R if one is already working

Pathways to Employment:

New York Foundling has started a new program called Pathways to Employment. Pathways to Employment had been started as a way to get the individuals that we serve exposed to work environments. This is different from other employment opportunities such as: SEMP because it allows for a" period of discovery" by providing individuals with different internships. Employment is time limited, to that of 278 hours within a 12 month period. Internships through Pathways to Employment are more intensive individualized job focused programs than Pre Voc. New York Foundling's Pathways to Employment, has opportunities in: Staten Island, Bronx and Rockland County. This program provides training which includes 20 workshops. Work hours vary according to individuals because an individual can combine work hours with other OPWDD services such as: Day Habilitation. Once one has finished his or her hours then, one would go directly into Supportive Work Employment (AKA: SEMP). Once one has finished his or her hours with Pathways to Employment and it is interested in continuing into SESMP, ii is not necessary for one to go through Access V-R. However, since Pathways to Employment is a discovery process of internships, when finished, one wouldn't necessarily transition directly into full time work

Employment Training Program:

(AKA: ETP)

Employment Training Program differs from Pathways to Employment because ETP is a paid internship while students are in school or once they have graduated. If an individual is involved with ETP while in school, it is up to the Department of Education to find a job for the individual. However, if one is involved with ETP once he or she has graduated, then, it is the responsibility of the agency servicing the individual to find him or her work.

Graduates:

There are still a handful of graduates who have not yet been deemed eligible for OPWDD Services or have not yet secured MSC services.

See you all on February 11th, 2015 @: AHRC, 11th Fl. We will being at approximately 9:30

MANHATTAN TRANSITION COMMITTEE SIGN IN SHEET JANUARY 14, 2015

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The New York Foundling

In 1869, three Sisters of Charity opened their doors to save the lives of babies being abandoned on the streets of New York, beginning the tremendous legacy of The New York Foundling ("The Foundling"). Over the past 145 years, The Foundling has continued evolving from a respite home for abandoned children, to a comprehensive spectrum of community support services designed



to support our mission of empowering children, families and adults to live healthy, independent, and fulfilling lives.

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Employment Transition and Support Program



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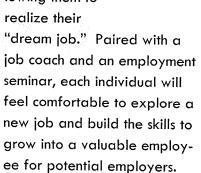
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Employment Transition and Support at The New York Foundling

The Foundling has begun a new program to help individuals with disabilities to become prepared for the work world. Our individuals have the opportunity to gain work experience by taking part in a variety of discovery periods in a multitude of jobs. The tasks required of them will compliment and chal-

lenge their abilities and give the individual a sense of pride and accomplishment while allowing them to realize their



Benefits of Employment Transition and Support Program:

- On-the-job experience builds new skills necessary for employment
- Individual can discover new skills and abilities
- Opportunity to discover ideal career
- A time to meet and impress potential future employers
- Take part in seminar to learn valued skills
- Benefit of working alongside a job coach to provide support and answer questions

Who can refer:

- School/Board of Education
- OPWDD
- Community Habilitation Providers
- MSCs
- Employment Providers

Referral Criteria:

- Meets OPWDD (Office of Person's With Developmental Disabilities) eligibility requirements
- Family lives within the 5 boroughs

How to Make a Referral:

Contact Lindsey Calabro, Coordinator of Individual and Person-Centered Services at (212)-660-1398 or (646) 477-8361

lindsey.calabro@NYFoundling.org

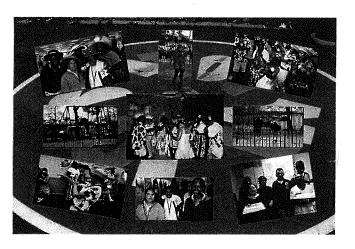
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What is Day Habilitation?

Day Habilitation is a group day program for adults with developmental disabilities. Program participants learn valuable skills with their peers and take part in activities both at the day program site as well as within their communities. We offer this program in four locations. Brooklyn busens, Manhettan, and Deer Perk in Suffolk County, NY



Getting to Know Our Neighbors

Being active members within our communities is an important part of our day programs. Each program develops relationships with local businesses, community groups, and other recreational and educational institutions that help our participants learn and develop skills that can be used outside the program.

About Human First

Human First is a 501(c)(3) not-for-profit organization. We are a multicultural agency serving the special needs communities in New York City and Long Island since 2001.

Our Mission is to provide greater opportunities for individuals with special needs to reach their personal goals. We are dedicated to developing support systems for both individuals and their families

For more information about Human First, please visit our website, www.humanfirst.org, or email information@humanfirst.org.



Program Locations

For more information about our programs, please contact:

Brooklyn Day Habilitation Program Contact Deirdre Schnabl, Day Hab. Supervisor at 718-345-1119 or email dschnabl@humanfirst.org.

Manhattan and Queens Day Habilitation Programs

Contact Safaa Meshref, Day Hab. Supervisor at 212-337-3480, 347-832-0035, or email smeshref@humanfirst.org.

Long Island Day Habilitation Program Contact Samantha Tammaro, Day Hab. Supervisor at 631-321-1101, or email stammaro@humanfirst.org.

Day Habilitation Program



Community Inclusion

Participants of our day habilitation programs interact with members of their communities on a regular basis by:

- Volunteering at service organizations, such as soup kitchens, food pantries, and nursing homes
- Working within the community to develop prevocational skills and prepare for future job placement.

Worksites include

- Nursing Homes
- Catering Halls
- Supermarkets
- Offices
- Going on field trips to museums, parks and educational and cultural events.



Goal Oriented Instruction

Our mission is to provide opportunities for individuals with special needs to reach their personal goals.

We begin the process by sitting down with each participant and his or her family to discuss their goals for the program.

This discussion drive the individual's activities during the day and the skills they learn.

We regularly evaluate our progress towards achieving goals and modify goals at regular intervals throughout the year.

Who can participate?

Services are provided to individuals who have established eligibility through the New York State Office for People with Developmental Disabilities (OPWDD), as well as Home and Community Based Services Waiver (HCBS) eligibility through Medicaid.

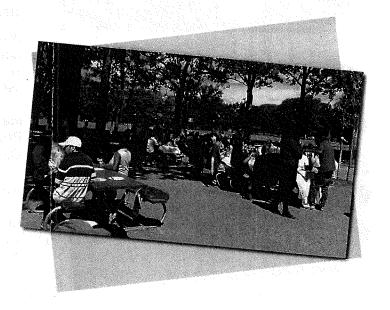
Programs are intended for adults with developmental disabilities, aged 21 years and older and participants must apply to participate in a Human First day hab. program.

Independent Living Skills

We emphasize preparing participants to live independently by teaching skills that will help them in everyday life.

Skills include:

- Socialization/Communication Skills
- Money Management
- Travel Training
- Daily Living Skills
 - Cooking
 - Cleaning
 - Household Safety
- Physical Health
- Personal Hygiene





JANUARY 2015 AHRC PROGRAM VACANCIES www.ahrcnyc.org

Please look through this list of services offered by AHRC that have projected vacancies for January (or immediately) and contact the person indicated if you have someone who is in need of the service.

RECREATION OPPORTUNITIES:

Winter social events: for independent adult travelers! Openings in weekend trip programs and creative arts programs. Must have an ID or DD diagnosis and be able to program on their own (no transport provided). Contact Alice McGlynn at 212-780-2583 or the Referral and Information at 212-780-4491.

<u>School holiday respite programs:</u> Openings for the April school break. Must be in the HCBS waiver. All programming, staffing and door to door transport provided. Contact Referral and Information Center (RIC) at 212-780-4491.

Overnight Weekend Respite Program: Available in all boroughs for independent travelers and individuals that are able to self-medicate. Enjoy trips to upstate New York from Friday through Sunday to discover area attractions and seasonal activities. All individuals must be in the HCBS waiver. No cost, transportation provided. Call Alice McGlynn at (212) 780-2583 or RIC to make a referral.

<u>Teen Saturday program:</u> opening in Queens, ages 13 - 19, must be in the HCBS waiver, transportation provided, contact Alice McGlynn at 212-780-2583.

SUMMER CAMP REGISTRATION is now open for Camp Anne and The Lodge! Please contact the RIC for new registrations at 212-780-4491.

OVERNIGHT/EMERGENCY In-Home Respite Hourly Waiver Services to families residing in the boroughs of Queens and Manhattan. Emergency respite is temporary care of an individual with developmental disabilities provided on an emergency basis due to a family situation of extreme urgency, such as the hospitalization of a family member or unexpected travel plans. Emergency respite may be provided in individual's home or a family care home. Overnight respite is a service that provides relief to a caregiver who is responsible for the primary care and support of an individual with a developmental disability. When a family member or Family Care provider has to deal with such things as illness, emergency, and caregiver vacation; emergency respite services can ensure that your loved ones are safe and their needs are met. A caregiver must reside with the individual in the same household and be a primary caregiver. An eligible person should be OPWDD eligible. Eligibility must be established before a referral can be made. An eligible person should have a current Level of Care (LOC) determined. LOCs are needed for all waiver services. An eligible person should be enrolled in a HCBS Waiver program. If you believe that your families or individual(s) might benefit from Overnight or Emergency In- Home Respite, please contact, Luba Zborovskaya at 212-780-2340 and/or Gillian David, Intake Field Supervisor at 212-780-4482.

IN-HOME RESPITE: Waiting list for people ages 3 and over in Brooklyn, Manhattan, Bronx, and immediate opportunities in Queens. Require proof of developmental disability. Contact the Referral and Information Center at (212) 780-4491 or 4493. COMMUNITY HABILITATION: Waiting list for people from birth (with El Service Coordination) and up in all 5 boros. Person must meet eligibility for Medicaid Waiver. Contact the Referral and Information Center at (212) 780-4491 or 4493.

OVERNIGHT RESPITE (out of home): Guests must be age 4 and up, and must be weight bearing if non-ambulatory. Cannot be seriously medically involved where extra nursing staff would be necessary. Staten Island is the only wheelchair accessible respite facilities. Families should apply for respite before the need arises; the application has to be approved beforehand. Contact the Referral and Information Center at (212) 780-4491 or 4493.

EMPLOYMENT and BUSINESS SERVICES:

Brooklyn Day Hab: Some the of services and activities provided are: personal hygiene skills, self care, socialization skills, money management, mobility training, life skills training, reading and writing, anger management, relaxation techniques, proper nutrition, healthy exercise and recreational type activities. Additionally, individuals volunteer at different sites and participate in diverse community events. Contact Gohar Gharibyan at 212-895-3370.

Senior Retirement Services: Day Hab Without Walls program for individuals over age 55, must be a Bronx resident. Contact Ana Kuharik at 718 944-5099.

<u>Job Connection Center-Psycho-social Clubhouse (Brooklyn):</u> A small innovative program, with highly trained and experienced staff, specifically designed to support individuals who are dually diagnosed (IDD/MI) in obtaining and maintaining a job. Call Gohar Gharibyan at 212-895-3370.

Staten Island Day Hab Without Walls: This program offers the opportunity for community activities including volunteering and social outings. The primary premise is to prepare people to move out of the DH and into employment.

Staten Island Janitorial Training program: Pre-Vocational training program for S.I. residents with DD 18 years and older. 11 weeks of training combining classroom instruction with internship at S.I. institutions. Upon successful completion, graduates will be placed in janitorial careers with high earning potential. For all S.I., call Candi Genovese, 718-981-3452. Bronx Day Hab Without Walls: This program offers the opportunity for community activities including volunteering and social outings. The primary premise is to prepare people to move out of the DH and into employment. Contact Ana Kuharik, 718-944-5099.

Youth Careers Training Programs: OSY Pre-Vocational training program for NYC residents with DD or LD and/or low income; 18–21 years old. 15 weeks of training combines classroom instruction with internship at major NYC institutions. Upon successful completion, graduates will be placed in Janitorial and Food Services careers. Enrollment is ongoing – there are openings for Janitorial and Food Services in Brooklyn, Janitorial Services in Queens and Staten Island. For Brooklyn, call Gohar Gharibyan at 212-895-3370 or Alexis Hines at 212-895-3380; for Queens, Derek Johnson at 646-210-0066 or Sonia Nieves at 347-723-1952 and for Staten Island, Anna Chakryan at 718-662-1432.

HIRE - Supported Employment, placement in jobs dependent on applicant's skills and abilities

Brooklyn – Sofiya Nibelitskaya, 212-895-3325 Bronx – Wayne Thomas, 718-944-5099

Queens – Derek Johnson, 646-210-0066 Staten Island – Candi Genovese, 718-981-3452

Manhattan - Isis Clark - 212-634-8673

<u>ADULT DAY SERVICES:</u> A variety of programs where individuals become valued community members in different ways, including volunteering, shopping, visiting local attractions, etc. The programs offer many life enhancing experiences in the arts, travel training, and vocational services. There are also programs that operate solely in the community, and in higher education programs in cooperation with local colleges. For more details, call Central Intake at 212-780-4493/4491.

Emergency Respite (Family Support Service): for Queens and Brooklyn residents - Emergency respite is temporary care of a person with a developmental disability provided on an emergency basis due to a family situation of extreme urgency, such as, but not limited to the hospitalization of a family member, unexpected travel plans or relief needed for the caregiver due to special circumstances. Emergency respite may be provided in the eligible person's home or an alternate location where the service of care can be provided. The person providing the service does not have to reside in the home of the person eligible for this service, nor does the service have to occur in the borough of the person's OPWDD registration. Call Michael Wright, 212-895-3467.

<u>Nicosia Family Reimbursement</u>: The service provides the opportunity to be reimbursed for purchased services and goods, and the possibility of purchasing services and goods that are not funded through any other sources. The goods and services have been deemed appropriate to meet the needs of the person being served. Criteria for grant: Reside in the 5 Boroughs and Eligibility. Call Michael Wright, 212-895-3467.

Intensive Behavioral Services This is a newly offered program in the Bronx the purpose of which is to provide Intensive Behavioral Services for individuals who live in non-certified or Family Care Homes and present with substantial challenging behaviors that put them at risk of placement in a more restrictive living environment. The service involves in home behavior management evaluation and treatment by psychologists who specialize in Functional Behavioral Assessment and Intervention. For information about the application or questions, contact Lisa Adorno at 718-643-2566.

Queens Intensive Parent Training: This family support program serves ID/DD parents who reside in Queens, who are living in the community and raising their children. This service provides education, parent training, intensive case management, and advocacy to help the parent improve their parenting skills and help keep children in the home with the parent(s). Criteria: reside in Queens County; parent must be ID/DD. Call Annette Spallino 212-780-2592.

Non-Medicaid Service Coordination: The service includes information and referral services, outreach, parent networking and service access assistance for individuals and their families. Service Coordinator is able to make connections with diagnostic, residential, habilitative, educational, vocational, medical and recreational services. In addition, the Service Coordinator can assist with accessing benefits and entitlements, such as Medicaid and SSI. Criteria for program enrollment: reside in the five boroughs, No Medicaid and Eligibility. Call Sharett Bood, 646-845-6020.

<u>Clinical Evaluation Reimbursement</u>: The service provides the opportunity for individuals to receive clinical evaluations (psychological or psychosocial), who do not have Medicaid or their health plans do not pay for such testing. The clinician or vendor is reimbursed for the completed and approved evaluation. Criteria for grant: Reside in Manhattan and Eligibility. Call Michael Wright, 212-895-3467.

Article 16 Clinic Services: Ongoing vacancies in Manhattan for psychological and psychosocial evaluations, individual and group counseling and nutrition services. Immediate vacancies in the Bronx for individual counseling, psychological, and psychosocial evaluations at our 2488 Grand Concourse Clinic. Anyone interested in these programs should contact Clara Cordero at (212) 780-2387.

<u>REHAB Services:</u> Immediate openings for physical, speech, and occupational therapy. Call Robin Phillips at (212) 780-2762 for more information on how to request services.

FREE Psychological/Psychosocial Evaluations: AHRC Article 16 Clinic is offering Psychological Evaluations and Psychosocial Evaluations for individuals who are developmentally disabled that <u>do not have Medicaid</u> and are residents of Manhattan, Brooklyn, Queens, Staten Island, or the Bronx. Services are available in English and Spanish. For more information or to make a referral call AHRC call Central Intake at 212-780-4493 or 212-780-4491.

<u>RESIDENTIAL:</u> Anticipated and immediate openings in all boroughs. Details vary depending on the setting. If you have any questions please contact: 212-780-4457. If you would like to make a referral, please contact 212-780-4491 or 212-780-4493.

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