

Greetings,

Governor Hochul's 2023 State of the State plan and Fiscal Year 2024 Executive Budget include historic proposals and resources that will allow the Office of Mental Health (OMH) to expand, strengthen, and revitalize the State's mental healthcare system. Your input will be integral in OMH's planning process for this expansion.

In the months ahead, we will be developing new programs and policies that will greatly expand access to housing, outpatient, school-based clinics, and hospital services, and increase insurance coverage for mental health services.

To ensure we make the most of this unprecedented opportunity, OMH is seeking input from valued partners, providers, advocates, people and families that receive services, community leaders, and community members. We encourage service providers to share this announcement with the people and families they serve and assist with registration if needed.

We will be hosting a series of virtual and in-person community engagement feedback sessions to gain insight from your experiences and knowledge. Your feedback will help us determine how to best implement new programming and use new resources to enhance the mental health system, increase access to mental health services, and eliminate service gaps and promote equity in access for all New Yorkers, while fortifying the continuum of care.

OMH leadership will provide an overview of the planning initiatives and then we will break into groups for focused discussion. Today we are announcing four virtual sessions and the in-person sessions across the state will be announced soon. Additional virtual sessions will be added if needed.

Please see the details below and register for the date and time that works for you.

Tuesday, February 21, 2023, 10:00AM - 12:00PM

Register here: https://meetny.webex.com/weblink/register/re705c294f3c5f9be9c07b0972b6d8445

Thursday, February 23, 2023, 6:00PM - 8:00PM

Register here: https://meetny.webex.com/weblink/register/rab78aa59f9a8703d4b4504d2f2ecb799

Thursday, March 2, 2023, 1:00PM - 3:00PM

Register here: https://meetnv.webex.com/weblink/register/r8ee9b476f42cd9d51959f8c71a9be2c6

Tuesday, March 7, 2023, 6:00PM - 8:00PM

Register here: https://meetny.webex.com/weblink/register/rd10c5be3192b559e046ae988296858e8