

How we can work with you

We need the support of engaged New Yorkers to help our hospitals, nursing homes, and other providers protect vital healthcare access and funding.

We partner with community organizations, religious leaders, elected officials, and members of the public interested in protecting affordable, accessible, quality healthcare.

We organize forums on complex healthcare issues; host health fairs in collaboration with local hospitals that offer a range of services including free screenings; conduct comprehensive campaigns to educate the public and public officials about maintaining and supporting New York's healthcare system and ensuring the continued delivery of high-quality healthcare to all New Yorkers; and much more.



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Protecting access to healthcare in New York State

About 1199SEIU & GNYHA

1199SEIU United Healthcare Workers East is the largest local union in the world, representing over 350,000 healthcare workers employed in hospitals, nursing homes, home care, clinics, and social services agencies in New York, Massachusetts, Maryland, District of Columbia, and Florida.

Greater New York Hospital Association is a trade association representing more than 250 not-for-profit hospitals and continuing care facilities, both voluntary and public, in the metropolitan area and throughout New York State, as well as in New Jersey, Connecticut, and Rhode Island.



About the Healthcare Education Project

The Healthcare Education Project (HEP) is a joint effort of 1199SEIU United Healthcare Workers East and the Greater New York Hospital Association (GNYHA). Together, the two organizations represent 350,000 healthcare workers and over 250 not-for-profit hospitals, nursing homes, and home care providers.

HEP's mission is to protect and expand access to quality, affordable healthcare for all New Yorkers through education, advocacy, and coalition building.

We are a community-based advocacy organization. We work in partnership with individuals, healthcare providers, and civic and religious leaders in neighborhoods across New York to:

- Protect access to critical healthcare services
- Better understand the urgent healthcare issues facing our communities
- Educate our communities about the plight of the uninsured
- Advocate for universal coverage for all New Yorkers

Over the past decade, we have recruited thousands of New York "healthcare voters" to join HEP in its mission.

What we do: Protect healthcare funding

- Lobby for progressive healthcare legislation
- Organize public health fairs and healthcare forums
- Host leadership dialogues
- Protect teaching hospitals



Some of our successes

- In 2011, HEP ran a successful statewide campaign in support of the recommendations of New York's Medicaid Redesign Team (MRT) to improve the health of New Yorkers, enhance the patient care experience, and reduce healthcare costs. The New York State Legislature passed 78 of the MRT's recommendations.
- Through numerous statewide campaigns, HEP has helped protect New York's hospitals and nursing homes from billions of dollars in proposed state funding cuts.
- HEP led the fight to create New York's groundbreaking Family Health Plus program, which provides comprehensive health insurance to approximately one million working New Yorkers, and is now a national model.
- HEP was the driving force behind the enactment of the Healthcare Efficiency and Affordability Law (HEAL NY), which resulted in a \$1 billion capital investment in New York State's aging and financially struggling healthcare facilities.
- HEP joined forces with over 50 organizations to urge state officials to provide low-income legal immigrants coverage under the state's Medicaid and Family Health Plus programs.
- In 2007, HEP successfully advocated for a dramatic expansion of Child Health Plus, New York State's health insurance plan for children.
- HEP constantly promotes the importance of graduate medical education funding to New York's world-class teaching hospitals, which train tomorrow's doctors.