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Association on Aging in NY



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The Association on Aging in NY launched its new Key Supporter program this month, and we want to thank Harmony Information Systems for becoming our inaugural Key Supporter. [Click here](#) to find out how you can become a Key Supporter too.

For a look back at Aging-NY's past four years, check out "Crystal Carter Reflects on the Constant of Change" below. The New Year will bring new leadership to Aging-NY as Oneida Office for Aging & Continuing Care Director Michael Romano takes over the reins as the Association on Aging NY's President.

Happy New Year!

Best regards,

Crystal L. Carter, President

Laura A. Cameron, Executive Director

Trending Topics

Aging-NY Launches Program to Strengthen Aging Network
Aging-NY (12/18/2013)

Want to be part of an Aging Network comprised of 59 Area Agencies on Aging and 1,400 providers (nutrition services, transportation, in-home care providers, among others)? [Click here](#).

First Company Signs on to Become Key Supporter
Aging-NY (12/19/2013)

Harmony Information Systems was looking for a way to support seniors and Aging-NY's new Key Supporter program was the answer. "We stand firm in our commitment supporting you in providing vital

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services to seniors and building a strong community of care," said Joe Sander, CEO of Harmony. [Read more.](#)

Gov.'s Office Names Corinda Crossdale to Top Aging Post

Aging-NY (11/25/2013)

Corinda Crossdale, the former Director of the Monroe County Office for the Aging, who has been in Gov. Cuomo's office serving as Assistant Secretary of Mental Hygiene, has been appointed Director of the New York State Office for Aging. She will officially be at the helm of NYSOFA on January 6, 2014. Congratulations, Corinda!

Medicaid Waiver Gets an Overhaul

Crain's Business (12/05/2013)

New York's Medicaid director Jason Helgeson disclosed that the state's \$10 billion Medicaid waiver request is being dramatically altered. Find out why. [Click here.](#) For an update straight from Medicaid Director Jason Helgeson, [click here.](#)

AARP Says Caregivers in New York Need Help

AARP (11/21/2013)

A "Caregivers Listening Tour" culminated recently with regional press conferences hosted by AARP calling for lawmakers to invest \$26 million in the Community Services for the Elderly program to help caregivers.

[Click here](#) for the press release.

[Click here](#) for the Caregivers in Crisis report.



Laura Cameron, Executive Director of the Association on Aging in NY, at Caregivers in Crisis press conference in Albany on November 21st.

Worried about Mom?
Your local area agency on aging can help.
Become a key supporter of Aging NY
and give caregivers peace of mind
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Aging in New York

Crystal Carter Reflects on the Constant of Change

Aging-NY (December 2013)

From day one of her four-year term, Crystal has led the Board of Directors through a strategic planning process that has resulted in a new name, new website and new direction for the Association. [Read more.](#)

\$26 Million is Urged for Seniors and their Caregivers

Times Union (11/21/2013)

Aging groups asked state lawmakers to deal with aging services waiting lists by increasing the flexible Community Services for the Aging program \$26 million to move 7,000 New Yorkers off waiting lists for non-medical care such as personal aides or transportation to doctors' offices. [Click here](#) for TU article. [Click here](#) for Aging-NY article.



NY1: State To Lower Health Care Costs By Building Housing For Homeless



Albany, NY (11/21/2013) - Igal Jellinek, Council of Senior Centers and Services (CSCS) of New York City; Ann Marie Cook, Lifespan; Bobbie Sackman, CSCS; and Laura Cameron, Aging-NY at the Governor's office in November requesting relief for growing waiting lists at aging services agencies. [Click here](#) for more.



Albany, NY (12/3/2013) - A message of CSE flexibility and funding brings Aging Directors to Albany. (Back row l to r) Patricia Sheehy, Putnam; Mary Kaye Dolan, Dutchess; Randall Hoak, Erie; Patty Bashaw, Essex; Laura Cameron, Aging-NY; and AnnMarie Maglione, Orange counties. (Front row l to r) Crystal Carter, Clinton; and Michael Romano, Oneida.

De Blasio Chooses Deputy Mayor from Aging Office

Crain's Business (12/12/2013)

Mayor-

elect Bill de Blasio announced Thursday afternoon that Bloomberg administration official Lilliam Barrios-Paoli would be his deputy mayor for health and human services. [Read more.](#)

Testimony Highlights Age-Friendly Initiatives

Aging-NY (12/9/2013)

Age-friendly initiatives in Chemung County include a project that assists hospitals, the health department, and other providers of health and human services with identification of gaps and challenges in providing services that improve health outcomes, and will work to address health disparities of minority populations. For more, [click here.](#)

Director Profiles

Irene Coveny, Eldersource Co-founder, Moves to the Ontario Aging Office

Aging-NY (November 2013)

So what do you do when your population increases 37 percent? That's what Irene Coveny, the New Director of the Ontario Office for the Aging is about to find out. [Read more.](#)

Kallie Martin Returns to Akwesasne to Lead the Saint-Regis Mohawk Office for the Aging

Aging-NY (November 2013)

People are living longer, and that's just as true on the Saint-Regis Indian Reservation as it is anywhere else so all of the issues and challenges faced by county-based Area Agencies on Aging are faced by another New York State aging services group - the Saint-Regis Mohawk Office for the Aging. [Read more](#)

More Community News

Aging Groups Say Caregivers in New York Need Help

Democrat & Chronicle (12/9/2013)

A "Caregivers Listening Tour" culminated recently with aging groups calling for lawmakers to invest \$26 million in the Community Services for the Elderly program to eliminate statewide waiting lists. AARP has held press conferences throughout the state focusing on the caregiver crisis. Read articles: [Rochester](#), [Glens Falls](#), [Buffalo](#), [Long Island](#).

Monroe County Gets a Bit More Livable

n4a (10/7/2013)

Monroe County Office for the Aging has been chosen alongside five other counties nationally to examine just what makes a county livable throughout a person's lifespan. [Read more.](#)

Building the Evidence Base for Public Health Interventions

Journal of Public Health Management & Practice (1/2014)

Broome and Schenectady's Area Agencies on Aging have implemented sodium-reduction strategies uncovered after a two-year study of their Home Delivered Meal programs. Sodium reduction is an emerging public health strategy. [Click here](#) for the complete study.

Aging in the Nation

Sequester in the New Year

NYTimes (11/21/2013)

For non-exempt discretionary programs (on both the defense and non-defense side) sequestration will operate differently in 2014 and beyond than in 2013. [Click here](#) for more.

Sebelius Takes New Steps to Ensure Timely Health Coverage

CNN (12/13/2013)

Health Secretary Kathleen Sebelius announced new steps to ensure that people purchasing health plans on a new insurance exchange will have coverage starting on January 1. [Click here.](#)

Work, Women and Caregiving

NYTimes (11/21/2013)

Every study seems to use a different definition of caregiving. In this case, the researchers defined it as caring for parents or grandchildren for at least 100 hours over two years; spousal caregivers had no minimum time requirement. [Read more.](#)

Field Resources

[Association on Aging in New York/Aging NY](#)
[Aging and Disability Resource Center, technical assistance \(ADRC\)](#)
[Administration for Community Living \(ACL\)](#)
[National Association of Area Agencies on Aging \(n4a\)](#)

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Aging-NY Meets with Gov.'s Office on Waiting Lists *(Aging-NY)*

In November, Aging-NY twice met with the Gov's office concerning waiting lists at Area Agencies on Aging. Also in November Executive Director Laura Cameron participated in a press conference for the release of AARP's Caregivers in Crisis Report. [Click here](#) for a Members Only report.

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