

## Press Release

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## CHCANYS Names Rose Duhan as New President & CEO

The Community Health Care Association of New York State (CHCANYS) announced the appointment of Rose Duhan as its new President and CEO today. Ms. Duhan succeeds Elizabeth Swain, who passed away last year.

“Rose is a consummate health care professional with extensive experience in the public and private sectors and we are delighted she will lead CHCANYS. In every corner of the state, our members provide quality health care to more than two million New Yorkers – regardless of their insurance status or ability to pay. Rose’s leadership will be crucial as we play an ever larger role serving as the voice of community health centers across the state,” said **Mary Zelazny, Chair of the CHCANYS Board of Directors and CEO of Finger Lakes Community Health**. “We know Rose will be a fighter to ensure that all New Yorkers have access to comprehensive primary care services based in their community, and that she will guide the incredibly talented and dedicated CHCANYS staff.”

Ms. Duhan most recently served as Assistant Secretary for Health in the office of Governor Andrew Cuomo, where she oversaw policy and operations for the Departments of Health and Aging, including the Medicaid program. For nearly three years she was director of government programs for the New York Health Plan Association. She also served as a senior budget analyst for the Albany County Department of Management and Budget and a senior policy analyst for the Healthcare Association of New York State. Duhan holds a Master of Public Health from the University of Michigan School of Public Health and a Bachelor of Arts in Religion from Wesleyan University.

“I could not be more excited to be joining CHCANYS and helping New York’s 68 Federally Qualified Health Centers (FQHCs), and the 650 sites they operate across the State, as we carry out the mission of ensuring that all New Yorkers have continuous access to high quality, culturally competent community-based health care,” **Ms. Duhan** said. “Health centers play a critical role in our health care system and are the foundation of primary care for millions of New Yorkers.

“I look forward to helping lead the charge to ensure that community health centers have the necessary resources to continue providing quality, accessible care as the health care delivery system continues to evolve at both the state and federal levels,” Ms. Duhan said.

“On behalf of all CHCANYS staff, I welcome Rose to our family,” said **Lisa Perry, Interim President and CEO of CHCANYS**. “Rose’s diverse health care background and her extensive experience will serve our members well as we continue to advocate for quality community health care on behalf of millions of New Yorkers in Washington and Albany.”

Ms. Duhan will assume her new position on May 22.

For more information about CHCANYS, visit [www.chcanys.org](http://www.chcanys.org).

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**About the Community Health Care Association of New York State (CHCANYS):** CHCANYS' mission is to ensure that all New Yorkers, including those who live in medically underserved communities, have continuous access to high quality community-based health care services, including a primary care home. CHCANYS serves as the voice of community health centers as leading providers of primary health care in New York State. For more information, visit [www.chcanys.org](http://www.chcanys.org).

**About Federally Qualified Health Centers:**

Federally qualified health centers (FQHC) are not-for-profit, community-based providers that provide high quality, cost-effective, patient-centered primary and preventive health services to anyone seeking care, regardless of their insurance status or ability to pay. FQHCs are medical homes, offering a comprehensive model of care that is associated with demonstrated improved outcomes and reduced costs. Serving 2 million New Yorkers at over 650 sites statewide, New York State's 68 FQHCs form an extensive primary care network that is central to the health care safety net.