



## **NEW YORK STATE LEGISLATURE 2026 JOINT BUDGET HEARING February 10, 2026 – 9:30 AM**

### **HEALTH**

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1. New York State Department of Health	James V. McDonald, M.D., M.P.H. Commissioner
2. New York State Department of Health	Amir Bassiri Medicaid Director
3. New York State Department of Financial Services	Kaitlin Asrow Acting Superintendent

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#### Panel A:

4. Healthcare Association of NYS (HANYS)	Bea Grause, RN, JD President
5. Greater New York Hospital Association (GNYHA)	Elizabeth Wynn Executive Vice President of Health Economics & Finance

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#### Panel B:

6. 1199SEIU	Helen Schaub Political Director
7. 32BJ Benefit Funds	Misha Sharp Assistant Director of Policy
8. New York State Nurses Association (NYSNA)	Leon Bell Director of Public Policy

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Panel C:

9. Primary Care Development Corporation	Aamir Mansoor Director of Policy
10. Health Care For All New York	Mia Wagner Director of Health Policy
11. New York Health Plan Association	Eric Linzer President & CEO
12. Medicaid Matters New York	Lara Kassel Coalition Coordinator
13. Alzheimer's Association	Bill Gustafson NYS Director of Government Relations

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Panel D:

14. Empire Center for Public Policy	Bill Hammond Senior Fellow
15. LeadingAge New York	Sebrina Barrett President & CEO
16. NYS Association of County Health Officials	Heidi Bond President
17. New York Health Foundation	David Sandman President & CEO
18. Community Health Care Association of New York State (CHCANYS)	Rose Duhan President & CEO

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Panel E:

19. Medical Society of the State of New York	David Jakubowicz, MD President
20. Associated Medical Schools of New York	Jonathan Teyan President & CEO

21. American Academy of Pediatrics	Jeff Kaczorowski, MD NYS Chair and Leader
22. Medical Indemnity Fund Parent	Cameron Brown
23. Medical Indemnity Fund Parent	Denise Olivo

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Panel F:

24. Council of Autism Service Providers	Mariel Fernandez, M.S. BCBA LBA
25. The Alliance of TBI & NHTD Waiver Providers, Inc.	Traci Allen Executive Director

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Panel G:

26. NYS Health Facilities Association (NYSHFA)	Tarrah Quinlan Senior Director
27. Empire State Association of Assisted Living	Chris Vitale Legislative Coordinator
28. New York Caring Majority	Ilana Berger Director
29. Home Care Association of New York State	Al Cardillo President & CEO

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Panel H:

30. The Alliance for a Hunger Free New York	Natash Pernicka Executive Director
31. Feeding New York State	Kathleen Stress Executive Director
32. City Harvest	Jerome Nathaniel Director, Policy & Government Relations

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Panel I:

33. American Cancer Society Cancer Action Network (ACS CAN)	Michael Davoli Senior Government Relations Director
34. Hospice and Palliative Care Association of NYS	Jeanne M. Chirico President & CEO
35. Housing Works	Virginia Shubert Co-Founder & Senior Advisor, Policy & Research
36. Community Pharmacy Association of NYS	Michael Duteau President

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Panel J:

37. University of Pennsylvania	Victor Roy, MD PhD Assistant Professor
38. New York University School of Law	Christopher J. Morten Associate Professor of Law
39. T1International #insulin4all	Max Goldberg New York Chapter Leader