

# April 2019 Peer Networking Meeting!

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## ***APRIL 2019 Peer Networking Meeting***

### ***Greetings!***

We hope you will join us for our monthly Long Island Peer Networking Meeting hosted by our very own Emily Vaianella, Outreach and Training Peer Specialist, and Ralph Matalone, Peer Support Line Peer Specialist.

### ***“More Sweeping Changes”***

Over the past few years there have been many changes in the Medicaid delivery system statewide. These changes affect how people receive services and how providers are paid.

Come learn about this “New World Order”, including Delivery System Reform Incentive Program, DSRIP; Value Based Payments, VBP; and a host of new services available to you, including Health and Recovery Plans, HARPs; Behavioral Health Home and Community Based Services, BH HCBS; and how Social Determinants of Health are being incorporated into service design. Have your questions and concerns answered by Office of Mental Health Medicaid Managed Care Liaison, Leon Marquis, NYCPS.

*Leon Marquis has worked in the mental health field, mostly as a peer, for over 20 years. He came to the Long Island field office in 2012 as a Regional Advocacy Specialist and worked with the OMH Office of Consumer Affairs to bring voice to the peer and family perspectives. In 2016 Leon was promoted to Medicaid Managed Care Liaison and as such helps the region in the many transitions in Medicaid care delivery. Leon has a Bachelor of Arts from NYU, a Bachelor of Science from York College, is a New York Certified Peer Specialist, graduate of Howie the Harp peer advocacy training and lives in Queens with his beloved, Patty of 33 years.*

The meeting will be held  
**Thursday, April 18th from 3:30-5:00 pm.** We will meet at the Association for Mental  
Health and Wellness, Pollack Center,  
**939 Johnson Avenue in Ronkonkoma in the CAFETERIA!**

**Please R.S.V.P by replying to [Emily Vaianella](#)  
& share with those who may be interested.**

*See flyer below & email me with any suggestions for topics or if you are interested in  
presenting at future meetings.*  
**We hope to see you there!**

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