



**Office for People With
Developmental Disabilities**

Strategic Plan Updates & Activities

2024

Welcome & Thank You



Today's Forum

Strategic Plan Updates



Moderated Question & Answer



Public Comment

OPWDD Strategic Plan



- Five Year Plan
- Guides the agency and our work
- Different formats and languages available

2023-2027 Strategic Goals



**Strengthen our Workforce,
Technology, and Collaboration**



**Transform our System Through
Innovation and Change**



**Enhance our Person-Centered
Supports and Services**

Strengthening Our Workforce



NADSP Credentialling and SUNY/BOCES Partnerships

- Almost 1,500 DSP's Credentialed
- Collaborating with 19 SUNY Schools
- Long Island and CNY High School Pilots

Organizational Self Assessment (OSA) and Technical Assistance

- OSA, podcasts and webinars to assist providers, staff and families

Statewide Recruitment Campaign

- Launched a statewide recruitment campaign
- #MoreThanWork
 - Directsupportcareers.com

Strengthening Our Technology

IT Transformation

- Assessment of Systems
- Enhanced Federal Funding



Partnerships

- Improved Infrastructure
- Strong Internal Collaborations

Modernization

- New project management system
- New investigations systems

Services and Supports



Housing

17 Supportive
Res. Hab.
Projects

Over 400 people
with disabilities
and staff

Community of
Practice for
Shared Learning



Health

Grand Rounds
with Department
of Health

Health Equity

Specialty
Hospitals



Employment

\$6.7 Million in
2025 Budget

Employment First
State

Updates to
Employment
Program Policies

Policy Updates



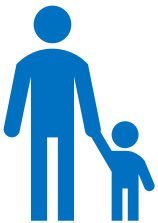
Home and Community Based Services (HCBS) Access Rule

- Final Rule Issued on April 22, 2024
- Strengthens transparency, reporting, health, wellness, and increases equity



Home Enabling Supports

- Services, equipment, and/or supplies that support people who live in non-certified community settings to live more independently



Family Support Services

- Updating recent guidance and policies in response to feedback received

Program Evaluations



Care Coordination



Self-Direction



Managed Care

- Improving our system by looking closer at our existing programs and models
- Engaging people through interviews, surveys, and focus groups
- Learning about what is working well across New York and in other states

Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion

Front Door Updates



Language Access



Internal Training at OPWDD



Engaging the system and community



Question & Answer



Public Comment



Thank You!