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Supporting Those We Care About!

Hudson Regional LTC Pharmacy is always on the scene visiting many organizations, supporting their efforts, and contributing to the success of their fundraiser special events.

Taking a LEAP For Autism!

Last month, Hudson Regional LTC Pharmacy's CEO, Angelo Angerame literally leaped out of a plane for autism to support Greystone Programs, Inc.'s 5th Annual Leap For Autism. The goal was to raise \$59,000 to provide life-enriching programs to children, adults, and families with Autism and other developmental disabilities.

**\$67,269 in Donations!
THANK YOU!!!**

Community Living Corporation Golf Tournament

HRLTCP participated in a number of golf outings including its sponsorship in August to benefit the Community Living Corporation (CLC) in Mount Kisco. A great golf day was enjoyed at West Hills Country Club in Middletown. CLC Board Chairman Roger Cooper thanked Hudson Regional LTC Pharmacy for their philanthropic leadership and community advocacy. CLC is a not-for-profit agency created in 1990 to provide residential, vocational, and habilitative services to developmentally disabled and dual diagnosed adults in Northern Westchester County.



Angelo Angerame is shown with Henry Kothari of Capital Regional Pharmacy Services, a HRLTCP affiliate, supporting the 2nd Annual In Flight, Inc. Golf Tournament at Copake Lake Country Club.

2nd Annual In Flight, Inc. Golf Tournament

Based in Red Hook, New York, In Flight, Inc., was established in 1993 to empower people with intellectual and developmental disabilities to reach for hopes and dreams and to promote a meaningful quality of life. This incredible organization provides a variety of individualized and person-centered services for people with intellectual and developmental disabilities throughout Dutchess, Ulster, Columbia, and Greene Counties.

Columbia County ARC Golf Tournament

Coarc has been an advocate and resource in Columbia County for individuals with disabilities and their families since 1965. They provide comprehensive services to children and adults, both in the community and at more than 20 Coarc locations.

We love supporting our agency partners and those who continually serve, care, and funnel resources into the intellectual and developmental disability community. Your staff members, nurses, and direct support professionals make a difference in these people's lives and we are here to support you. Because you and your residents matter!



Some of the 100+ attendees included (from left to right): NYS Assemblyman Thomas Abinanti (D-Tarrytown), Chairman of the NYS Assembly Disabilities Committee, Cory Polchansky, President of QSAC, Hudson Regional LTC Pharmacy CEO Angelo Angerame, CLC Board Chairman Roger Cooper, and CLC Executive Director CEO John Porcella.



Angelo Angerame and Danny Frank (right) of HRLTCP, are shown kicking off the Columbia County ARC Golf Tournament with Ken Stall Coarc CEO (center) at Copake Lake Country Club



Advocating for The Disabled

A Letter From Our CEO

Hudson Regional LTC Pharmacy is a **diligent advocate for people with developmental disabilities and people with autism**, together with the organizations and essential caregivers who serve them. We are happy to see progress for people with disabilities thanks to the advocates and committees fighting for them such as the People with Disabilities Committee, a standing committee of the New York Assembly, and Assemblyman Thomas Abinanti.

Not too long ago, it was very common for the IDD community to be lumped in with mental health, and people with disabilities were not receiving any attention legislatively that was needed. Now things have changed and **people with disabilities have their own advocates in the senate and assembly**. This is a huge deal!

Recently, I attended a meeting at the Community Living Corporation in Mount Kisco, New York with CLC Board Chairman, CLC Executive Director/CEO, and NYS Assemblyman, Thomas Abinanti (D-Tarrytown), who is Chairman of

the NYS Assembly Disabilities Committee. Abinanti advocates for children with special needs, and also has a son who has Autism, making him a tremendous ally for people with disabilities. Please know that Hudson Regional LTC Pharmacy is **committed to being a part of the conversations and solutions to see change, progress, and legislation** that is going to support and benefit people with disabilities.

In other great news for the IDD community, Governor Kathy Hochul issued a proclamation last month declaring the month of October as **Disability Employment Awareness Month**. We are glad to see the ongoing commitment from the state of New York in supporting inclusive workplaces and environments for people with disabilities and recognizing the skills, input, and value of these individuals.

As always, **our team is always here to serve you**. Please reach out with any questions or if there is any way we can help advocate or serve your residents.



***Yours in Health,
Angelo Angerame***

**CEO, Hudson Regional
Long Term Care Pharmacy**

Image description: HRLTCP CEO, Angelo Angerame (right) at the Community Living Corporation in Mount Kisco, New York with CLC Board Chairman Roger Cooper (second from left) and John Porcella (second from right), CLC's Executive Director/CEO. Leading the discussion is NYS Assemblyman Thomas Abinanti (D-Tarrytown).

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Industry News



The Pharmacy Rescue Package What It Means For Local New York State Pharmacies and Patients

Senators Mike Martucci (R,C, I-Hudson Valley/Catskills) and James Skoufis (D-Hudson Valley) called on Governor Kathy Hochul to sign the Pharmacy Rescue Bills, according to a press release on October 7, 2021, from the New York State Senate. This package of legislation includes four bills strongly supported by the Pharmacists Society of the State of New York (PSSNY) and local pharmacists in both Senators' districts. **All four bills passed the state Senate and Assembly with wide, bipartisan support.**

The four bills included in this package of legislation are:

- S3762, which relates to pharmacy benefit manager (PBM) regulation.
- S3566, which relates to the purchase of prescription drugs.
- S4807, which expands the immunization authorization of pharmacists.
- S6603, which protects access to pharmacy services.

The bills now await the Governor's signature to become law

"With the backdrop of a global pandemic, it is more important than ever to support and strengthen the role of our community pharmacies. This package of legislation will level the playing field for them in what has become a battle of Wall Street vs. Main Street," said Senator Martucci. **"Our local pharmacists and their patients need these bills signed now, and so, I am strongly urging Governor Hochul to do just that."**

"When there's a family facing a health crisis, big pharma won't be out delivering local medications or opening their shops after hours to lend a hand. At local little league games, you won't see CVS or Rite Aid on the backs of those team t-shirts as sponsors. **This is a battle for the vitality of an entire industry, but more than that, for the character of our communities—our friends, neighbors, and local pharmacists,**" said Senator Skoufis. "I implore the Governor to sign this package and save local pharmacies before it's too late."

The Senators remain fully committed to improving the quality of healthcare provided by pharmacists, expanding patient access, saving taxpayers money, and leveling the playing field in the prescription drug industry.



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Hudson Regional LTC Pharmacy CEO Angelo Angerame (left) is shown at a recent conference with NYS Senator John Mannion (D-Syracuse), Chairman of the NYS Senate Committee on Disabilities. They are joined by Henry Kothari (right) of HRLTCP affiliate, Capital Regional Pharmacy Services in Colonie.

Resources for ID/DD Professionals

The American Association on Intellectual and Developmental Disabilities



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COMMUNITY
RESOURCES
LEADERSHIP

As a long-term care pharmacy serving agencies that care for the intellectual and developmental disability community, we are committed to sharing valuable resources for the professionals we serve.

We wanted to spotlight the American Association on Intellectual and Developmental Disabilities (AAIDD) which promotes progressive policies, sound research, effective practices, and universal human rights for people with intellectual and developmental disabilities.

AAIDD is a membership-based organization but they provide resources for both members and nonmembers including interest networks, news & policy updates, virtual learning, continuing education units (CEUs), and webinars. Here are some upcoming webinars AAIDD is hosting throughout the end of the year. To learn more about this organization and the upcoming webinars, visit aidd.org.

Upcoming Webinars

Topic: Specialized Telemedicine for People with IDD- Beyond COVID

Date: November 4, 2021 **Time:** 3 PM EST

Topic: Impact of Different Pairings of Respondents on Scores on the Supports Intensity Scale

Date: December 14, 2021 **Time:** 2 PM EST

New York State ID/DD Nurses Association Inc.



NYSIDDDNA was founded to establish Intellectual and Developmental Disability Nursing as a recognized nursing practice specialty. The mission of this association is to promote the interests of this nursing practice to the community. NYSIDDDNA strives to make a difference by educating the public and expanding its reach to nurses. Most importantly, they exist to support one another in our nursing specialty.

Upcoming Webinars

Topic: Tardive Dyskinesia Forgotten But Not Gone
Date: November 9, 2021

Time: 12PM EST

Speaker: Anne Marie Desmond, NP-BC, MS, CNS, RN, Clinical Practice Liaison, Neurocrine Biosciences

Topic: The Science of Cannabinoids

Date: December 14, 2021

Time: 12PM EST

Speaker: Jessica J. Roland, Ph.D., Senior Medical Science Liaison, New York State, Greenwich Biosciences

Topic: Putting Yes, And To Work: Building a More Adaptable, Empathetic, and Humanizing Healthcare Experience

Date: January 11, 2022

Time: 12 PM EST

Speaker: Cory Jenks, PharmD, BCPS, BCACP, Pharmacist, Improv Comedian, Speaker

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National Philanthropy Day celebrates the contributions individuals and organizations continue to make across the world to countless causes and missions. At Hudson Regional LTC Pharmacy, we are committed to contributing to the agencies and organizations that take care of and serve the IDD community!

Upcoming Event:

Hudson Regional LTC Pharmacy is proud to support The Arc Mid-Hudson's Annual Holiday Auction, *"Winter Wishes and Snowflake Kisses,"* happening at 6 PM on November 12, 2021. The auction benefits over 1,800 individuals with intellectual and developmental disabilities that The Arc Mid-Hudson supports in Ulster, Greene, and Putnam counties.

This holiday auction will be hosted as a virtual auction through a live streaming Facebook presentation, and online bidding will start on November 5, 2021. The live streaming presentation on November 12th will feature videos from The Arc Mid-Hudson's students and individuals, as well as updates on the auction items and raffles.

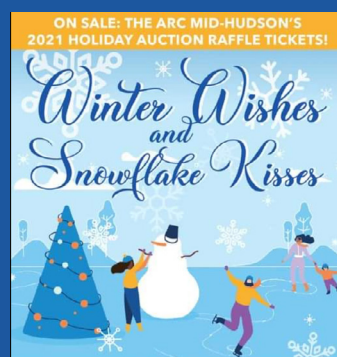
Visit www.arcmhfoundation.org to learn more about this event and sponsorship opportunities.

Staff Spotlight

Amy has worked at Hudson Regional LTC Pharmacy for one year managing data entries, prescriptions, updating medical records, and customer service care over the phone.

When Hudson Regional LTC Pharmacy is onboarding new facilities, Amy helps to get all of the new patient information to create their profiles into the pharmacy's system. She is very proud that the entire team works efficiently and together to ensure if there are every any errors, they are always resolved quickly with the processes the pharmacy has in place to guarantee quality assurance. Amy is very committed to her work, is always willing to go above and beyond, and really enjoys what she does!

Fun facts about Amy: I love to listen to music and dance! I am originally from the Dominican Republic!



Hudson Regional LTC Pharmacy is a proud Kris Kringle Sponsor of this event!



Ammy Caraballo
Data Entry Services
Coordinator



Happy Thanksgiving From Hudson Regional LTC Pharmacy

From our family to yours, we would like to wish you a Happy Thanksgiving! We are extremely grateful to be your agency's trusted long-term care pharmacy partner. Please know that our team is here to help your entire staff with all of your pharmacy needs and serve your residents.

Holiday Hours

Closed on Thanksgiving Day (11/25)

Hudson Regional Long-Term Care Pharmacy will be closed on Thanksgiving Day, November 25, 2021. We will also send out notice reminders about our closing so your facility can get orders in early to ensure that each patient will get the medication they need. If there is an emergency, our on-call pharmacist will be ready to serve you.

*Safe Travels To All
This Thanksgiving!*



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