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MEETING NOTICE

HEALTH, HOSPITALS & SOCIAL SERVICES COMMITTEE

(HHSS)

Date	Thursday, March 5, 2026	Start Time	6:00 PM - 6:55 PM
Location	Bronx Community Board 8 Office		
Address	5676 Riverdale Ave, Suite 100, Bronx, NY 10471		
Zoom Link	https://us02web.zoom.us/j/2114033690		
Zoom By Phone	+16465588656	Meeting ID Pin	2114033690#
All committee members must attend in person except members with disabilities as defined under the Americans with Disability Act, who may request an accommodation from the chairperson of the Board permitting them to attend via video/teleconferencing and be counted in the quorum. The General Public is encouraged to participate via Zoom due to room limitations.			
AMENDED AGENDA			

- Welcome & Introduction of Committee Members and Guests
- Approval of Meeting Minutes – February 11, 2026
- Chair's Report
- Discussion: Padavan response/letter of support for Riverdale Mental Health Association's d/b/a Mosaic Mental Health's pursuance of licensure for the agency's existing Crisis Respite located at 640-642 West 232nd Street, Bronx, NY 10463 and the physical move of the organizations main mental health clinic and services from 5676 Riverdale Avenue, Bronx, NY 10471 to 521 W. 239th Street, Bronx, NY 10461
- Unfinished Business
 - FY28 Budget Priorities
- New Business
 - Drafting of Resolutions for:
 - New York Health Act - Senate Bill S3425
 - Harm Reduction (+/- support for INT 1179 2025; public outreach / education for fentanyl test strips)
- Adjournment at 6:55 PM

Next Meetings – April 8, 2026, May 13, 2026, June 10, 2026

Dr. Wayne DeBeatham
Chair, Health, Hospitals &
Social Services Committee (HHSS)