

NEW YORK CITY FAMILY CAREGIVER COALITION

NYCFCC



OUR STORY

NYCFCC is a program of the Council of Senior Centers & Services created to bring together caregivers of all ages, circumstances, and relationships. The establishment of the NYCFCC began in 2004 when the Executive Director, Igal Jellinek of the Council of Senior Centers & Services of New York City, Inc. was contacted by Gail Gibson Hunt, the founder and CEO of the National Alliance for Caregiving who had received a generous grant from the Pfizer Corporation to establish Caregiver Coalitions all over the United States.

In an attempt to unite resources Igal called CSCS board member, Rev. Gregory L. Johnson, Assistant Director of Protocol for Caregiver Programs and Community Based Activities for HIP Health Plan of New York. (Gregory and Gail Gibson Hunt co-authored a publication for the White House Conference on Aging “Care for the Family Caregiver: A Place to Start”).

Igal asked if HIP Health Plan would host the first meeting (a tradition and patronage that continues); and interested agencies/ persons were invited to attend the developmental meeting. Thus, was born the New York City Family Caregiver Coalition (NYCFCC).

- The mission of the NYCFCC is to create strength out of diversity and build a united forum that will lead to targeted action including advocacy, education, information and public awareness. A “family caregiver” is a person who provides unpaid care for relatives and loved ones.
- The caregivers served by the NYCFCC include: grandparents raising grandchildren, adults caring for aging parents, spousal caregivers, gay and lesbian caregivers, and caregivers from multi-cultural backgrounds.
- The member agencies of the NYCFCC serve over 400,000 people each year.
- The NYCFCC is in its early stages of development and provides a central organizing body for activities and services for family caregivers.
- The NYCFCC serves all 5 boroughs of New York City (NYC).
- The NYCFCC is made up of volunteer members.
- Member organizations include: social service agencies, research and advocacy organizations, elder law attorneys, non-profits, arts organization serving caregivers, hospitals and others.
- The NYCFCC is currently funded through volunteer in-kind donations of time, donations from member organizations, corporations and non-profit members, and individual contributions.
- The NYCFCC has formed four committees which have met, created action plans, and reported back to the NYCFCC on their progress. These committees are: Advocacy, Education, Information and Public Awareness. The NYCFCC, as a whole, launched an official kick-off event on November 14, 2006 with 221 attendees. The coalition published a membership directory distributed to all attendees. The coalition has become a valuable vehicle for communication of relevant news to member organizations.

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