

# Manhattan Community Services



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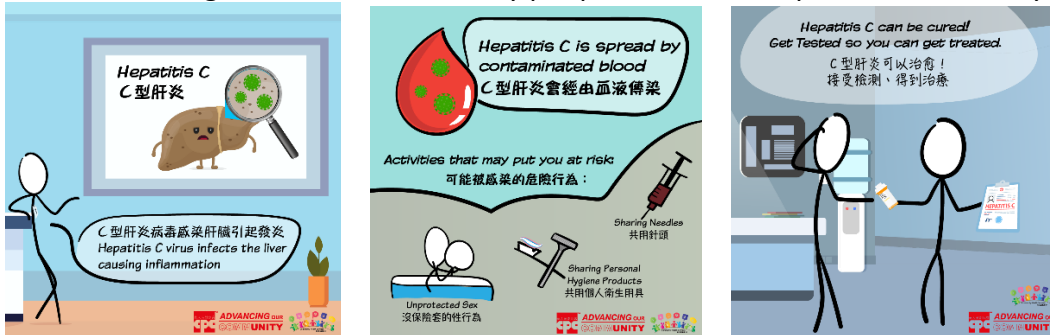
## 2021 Q1 (Jan – Mar) Newsletter

### Greetings from CPC Manhattan Community Services!

- “Happy Holidays from CPC FCCN Family” To engage families in their child’s learning process, the Family Child Care Network encouraged parents and children to create a World of Handprints by tracing their handprints on paper, drawing their countries’ flags on the palms, and writing down the cultural holidays they celebrate on the fingers. The countries include United States, Puerto Rico, China, Mexico, Jamaica, Nigeria, Dominican Republic, and more.  

- Twice-daily news briefs are shared on AM1480/AM1380 in Cantonese and Mandarin to ensure our community members have the translations of critical information in real time. CPC also has a WeChat account for distributing information, updates, and CPC workshops and trainings. Please engage with us by scanning the QR Code.  

- Manhattan Community Center staff along with other CPC staff and community members joined CPC’s virtual State Advocacy Day Rally on January 28. CPC met with Assembly and Senate champions in 57 legislative meetings to discuss the importance of fully funding human services, passing the Invest in Our New York Act to fund critical programs and services, and rebuilding our economy. In addition, CPC held a Press Conference in 4 languages with 13 elected officials and 2,200 viewers via Facebook Live.
- In partnership with CPC Manhattan Learn and Earn and New Utrecht High School (CPC- ACE program), Community Health Services (CHS) provided 30 of their afterschool youths with a series of evidence-based virtual workshops. The curriculum provides adolescents with the knowledge, motivation and skills to change their behaviors in ways that will reduce their risk of contracting HIV. CHS health educators also provided lessons on healthy life skills, healthy relationships, and financial literacy.
- February 7 is National Black HIV/AIDS Awareness Day. HIV is not a death sentence. People living with HIV can go on living long healthy lives with the proper treatment, medication, and lifestyle. However, HIV stigma can keep people from getting tested and treated for HIV. CHS helps stop

HIV stigma and prevent the spread of HIV by educating community members and offers support and encouragement to people with HIV.

- CHS created a series of posters to educate community members on Hepatitis C, a liver infection caused by the hepatitis C virus that spreads through sharing needles or personal hygiene products or having unprotected sex. Hepatitis C can range from a mild illness lasting a few weeks to a serious long-term illness, and many people who have Hepatitis C have no symptoms.



- Multi-Social Services (MSS) and New York Legal assistance Group (NYLAG) conducted a free online Legal Immigration Workshop in Chinese to provide updated information on new changes in 2021 Deferred Action for Childhood Arrivals (DACA) and updates to Temporary Protected Status (TPS). 20 community members attended the workshop.
- Sumon Chin, Director of CPC Early Childhood Learning & Wellness Services (ECLW); Amy Eng, ECLW Infant Toddler (IT) Mental Health Consultant & Program Supervisor; and Kimmy Cheung, ECLW IT Specialist, spoke at “2021 Infant Toddler Conference for Child Care Professionals” hosted by NYC Child Care Resource and Referral Consortium. In the wide-ranging conversations and workshop sessions, panelists and speakers provided strategies and techniques on self-care practices, managing stress without stressing out, how to provide the best child care without sacrificing one’s own well-being, and understanding on Infant Toddler social emotional and development. 162 child care professionals attended the all-day conference.
- Funded by the United Federation of Teachers (UFT) Professional Development Grant and the Korean American Community Foundation, ECLW conducted the 30-hour cohort virtual training in 5 Saturdays for over 115 licensed family child care providers, and CPR & first aid certification training for 94 providers, in Chinese and Korean. The training courses are designed to help fulfill the requirements for license renewal, and according to New York State Child Day Care Regulations, all child care programs must have at least one caregiver who holds a valid certification in CPR & first aid on the premises of the child care program during the program’s operating hours. The 30-hour cohort and CPR & first aid certification training in Spanish are scheduled to begin in May.
- The Small Business Administration (SBA) re-opened the Paycheck Protection Program (PPP), a forgivable loan program to help small businesses with much needed financial support during these unprecedented times. With the licensed family child care providers in mind, ECLW hosted 12 PPP Information Sessions in English, Spanish, Chinese, and Korean for 182 providers to share

information on First Draw and Second Draw of the PPP, how to apply and fill out the application forms and how to ask for loan forgiveness.

- ECLW Family Child Care (FCC) Network offers Professional Development trainings for network-affiliated providers in Chinese, English, and Spanish. On January 14, the Network held a DOE training on Curriculum Planning and Implementation for 109 providers. On February 19, the Network held trainings on the Child and Adult Care Food Program (CACFP), with a morning session on enrollment requirement and documentation and an afternoon session on promoting wellness and healthy eating practices. 90 child care providers attended the sessions. On March 11, the training focused on learning through relationships, socialization through conflict, and social-emotional development for 120 providers.

- Family Child Care (FCC) Network has launched in-language media advertisements in SinoVision,



Chinese radio stations AM1480 and AM1380, and Spanish radio station Mega 97.9 to inform community members that starting in fall 2021, New York City Department of Education will offer 3-K to ALL school districts in the five boroughs. FCC Network assists families in applying for subsidized child care, helps parents to find high-quality network-affiliated family child care providers for children aged 6-weeks to 3 years old, and assists parents and providers with 3K for All. Between January and March, 51 new children were approved for subsidy. To view the video or the

listen to radio ad, please visit <https://childcarecpc.org/cpc-family-child-care-networks-assisting-with-3-k-programs-for-children-between-6-weeks-and-3-years-old/>

### About CPC

Chinese-American Planning Council (CPC) is the nation's largest Asian American social services organization. Founded in 1965, CPC promotes the social and economic empowerment of Chinese American, immigrant, and low-income communities of New York City.

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