



COMMUNITY HEALTH SERVICES NEWSLETTER

July/August 2019

Upcoming Events

August 5
Monday

Free STD Testing
10am ~ 1pm

Summer is here! Enjoy your summer even more by having peace of mind. Get tested and know your status.

Come stop by at our Manhattan Community Center, there will be Starbucks gift cards for the first 5 participants.

Highlights from past months



▲ Community Health Services staff, along with staff and youth from the youth department, participated in the annual AIDS Walk in Central Park on May 19th.

◀ Sugary Drinks Awareness Campaign officially launched on May 1st with a press conference. The Campaign wrapped up on June 21st, reached more than 230,000 on social media platforms.

SYEP Summer Youth Advocacy Workshop

This summer we continued to refine the Youth Advocacy Pilot Program developed last summer. Currently, there are 11 youths from the Summer Youth Employment Program participating in our Youth Advocacy Workshop. In this workshop, youth participants learn to advocate for themselves in regards to health related issues.

The participants are divided into three groups, each lead by a peer educator. We've asked the peer educators to describe what their groups are working on:

- Yeda:** Our youth advocates are working on a mock campaign, which highlights the dangerous effects that e-cigarettes have on youth within the Lower East Side community. They are bolstering their grassroots advocacy skills through the creation of original flyers, workshops, social media pages, and videos in order to encourage their peers to live healthier lifestyles.
- Amanda:** Our youth advocacy group has identified the stigmatization of suicides among Asian-Americans. The mock campaign they are building will bring awareness to parents about the negative perception they have on mental health, specifically suicide. Through workshops and a social media campaign, they hope to educate Asian Americans parents and to provide resources that may be difficult to attain.
- Joy:** Our group has been developing our research on the mental health issues of depression, anxiety and eating disorders stemming from academic stress. They plan on launching a community event in the Lower East Side through informative booths and interactive activities.

Through collaboration and communication about how to create impactful visual content, they are on their way to carrying out an educational program targeted towards Asian American youth age 14-21 years.



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Testing & PREP location: 165 Eldridge St, New York, NY 10002.
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