

Opportunities for Public Input (continued)

HHC's Board of Directors convenes at least ten monthly meetings each year. Members of the public may address opinions or concerns Pertaining to action items on which the Board is voting.

**Please contact the
Office of the Chairperson
regarding speaking requests or
inquiries concerning *actions*
items.**
212-788-3359

Please refer to the **Speakers' Protocol** on the back panel of this brochure.



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Speakers' Protocol to be used at Board of Directors Meetings

The use of Speakers' Protocol provides orderly means by which the Board can balance its responsibilities to conduct the business of the Corporation and maintain its commitment to provide opportunities for the public input.

- ④ Request to speak will be granted at the discretion of the Chairperson or the Board and/or Committees as the agenda allows.
- ④ Subject matter should be related to *action items* being considered at the Board or Committee meeting.
- ④ All requests to speak before the Board should be made in writing to The Office of the Chairperson no later than *three business days* prior to the meetings.
- ④ A copy of the speaker's remarks/statement must be submitted with the written request.
- ④ The remarks/statement should be no longer than three minutes in duration.
- ④ A speaker who makes a request to address the Board may not give his/her time to a substitute speaker

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Board of Directors' Policy on the Public's Participation at Board and Committee Meetings



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HHC's Mission Statement

To extend equally to all New Yorkers, regardless of their ability to pay, comprehensive health services of the highest quality in an atmosphere of human care, dignity and respect;

To promote and protect, as both innovator and advocate, the health, welfare and safety of the people of the City of New York;

To join with other health workers and with communities in a partnership which will enable each of our institutions to promote and protect health in its fullest sense – the total physical, mental and social well-being of the people.

Opportunities for Public Input

The New York City Health and Hospitals Corporation welcomes input from the public. The public is invited to attend and observe meetings of the Corporation's Board of Directors or its committees.

*For those who want to provide input or express an opinion, the following opportunities are available:

Community Advisory Board (CABs) meet monthly at each HHC facility. Speakers must contact the public affairs director or the CAB liaison at the facility who will work with the CAB Chairperson to accommodate their request.

***This excludes Quality Assurance Committee's meetings at which there is discussion of confidential patient-related information, which is protected by law.**

The Board's Community Relations Committee, whose purpose is to address the concerns of the community, permits members of the public to speak before its Committee, as the agenda allows.

**Please contact the HHC Office of Intergovernmental Relations
212-788-3349**

HHC's enabling Legislation and By-Laws require the Board of Directors to convene annual public meetings at which the members of the Board hear from the public about health care issues, community needs and the services provided at the HHC hospitals, long term care facilities and community health centers. The Board conducts a meeting in each borough every fiscal year.

**Inquiries may be made to the Office of the Chairperson
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