



NEW YORK STATE ADULT DAY SERVICES ASSOCIATION, INC.

NYSADSA Accomplishments

- Continued to raise the profile of NYSADSA and our members to key government decision makers and educated them about the important services we provide to New Yorkers.
- Held a very successful lobby day in Albany where we met with over 30 Assembly members and Senators as well as the Governor's office, Medicaid Redesign Team and State Office for the Aging.
- Became a member of and active participant in the statewide Aging Advocates coalition which was formed this year in response to the SAGE Commission's initial proposal to merge the State Office for the Aging into the Department of Health. Through this collaboration, we were able to demonstrate to the Governor's office the negative impact such a merger would have on older adults and the proposal was rescinded.
- Attended and monitored the work of the Medicaid Redesign Team throughout the year. NYSADSA appeared before and provided testimony to the Managed Long Term Care Implementation and Waiver Redesign Work Group.
- Established lines of communications with Medicaid Managed Care plans to ensure that the changes happening in Albany reflect positively in terms of referrals to our member social and medical adult day programs.
- Revamped our website at: www.nysadultday.com Check for frequent updates.
- Gathered and provided statewide data to NYS Office for the Aging to be utilized for planning purposes
- Testified at several state and local governmental hearings; included advocacy for community based services for frail older adults and those with Alzheimer's/related dementia, certification for adult day services programs, and authorization to provide medication administration.
- Collaborated with Aging Advocates to plan an Adult Day Services track at the annual ACUU (Aging Concerns Unite Us) conference in Albany.