

# NYSPHC Educational Series

## Policy Development



**January 8th, 2025**  
**12 p.m. to 1 p.m.**

### Public Health Funding For Local Health Departments in New York State

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#### **SPEAKER BIO**

Cristina Dyer-Drobnack is the Public Policy and Program Director for the New York State Association of County Health Officials (NYSACHO), where she has been a dedicated member since 1994, making her the longest-serving professional staff member. With extensive expertise in public health services, she analyzes state budgets, legislation, and regulations that impact health policy and funding for local health departments. Cristina provides crucial technical assistance on public health statutes and leads the development of education and leadership programs for local health officials. She also oversees initiatives related to Harm Reduction, Climate Change, and public health workforce training. Passionate about promoting health and wellness, Cristina is committed to helping local health departments reduce preventable deaths and improve community health across New York State.

#### **Presentation Overview**

This presentation will provide an overview of funding for local health departments, with a focus on Article 6 State Aid funding, as well as a brief overview of local and state governance and budgets.

#### **Learning Objectives**

- Identify New York State Statutes supporting funding for local health departments
- List the core public health services provided by local health departments in New York State
- Describe the funding mechanisms used in the statute and compare the components that support populous vs. less populous jurisdictions.
- Summarize strengths and challenges in the current funding mechanisms

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