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"Immigrant Health Access"

PRESENTATION ABSTRACT

Make the Road New York (MRNY) builds the power of immigrant and working class communities to achieve dignity and justice. MRNY's health team provides critical health access services to over 8,000 individuals a year, working with immigrant populations in Brooklyn, Queens, Staten Island, Long Island, and Westchester. We provide one-on-one assistance with health insurance enrollment and food stamp enrollment, hospital bill negotiation, and health system navigation. Through our innovative promotora program, peer advocates conduct health care access and coverage outreach in their communities and create culturally and linguistically competent virtual outreach materials. We also employ Community Health Workers (CHWs) to help hundreds of families improve their health each year through home visits and culturally competent health counseling; and run a CHW training program to bring more members of our community into this work. MRNY's Health Team also leads campaigns to expand access to coverage and care for immigrant communities.

SPEAKERS



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