



## NY Alliance Statewide and Regional Housing Collaboratives 2019-2021

### Regional Housing Collaboratives (RHCs)

- Develop 5 RHCs, one in each OPWDD region, comprised of housing stakeholders
  - insure representation by persons from cultural and linguistic minorities
- Facilitate 2 meetings/year in each of the 5 regions- lead by MHN, Project Director, & Project Manager (30 meetings total- 10 meetings/year for 3 years)

#### First Year

- Identify membership
- Identify 15 persons interested in un-certified housing
  - Schedule planning sessions
- Establish connection with local and central OPWDD
- Schedule minimum number of RHC meetings- more if needed
  - Annual learning journey and at least 1 in person meeting
- Identify, by region, persons interested in participating in training (especially persons with IDD and their families)
- Identify between 12-15 people regionally who will participate in SLI
- Identify local resources to post on HRC
- Create/execute Regional specific workplans within 6 months
- Project Director will meet monthly with all MHNs and confer with members of RHCs

### Advisory Group

- Create a regional advisory group to oversee grant operations/communications

### Master Housing Navigator (MHN)

- Identify, train (graduate from Master Housing Navigator Curriculum) and contract with one MHN lead per region (5 MHNs) by month 3
- MHNs will facilitate the RHCs and coordinate with statewide activities
  - Facilitate 2 meetings/year, in month 5 and 10, in each of the 5 regions- lead by MHN, Project Director, & Project Manager (more than two meetings/year if necessary)
  - Identify membership in RHC
  - Identify 15 persons interested in un-certified housing (3 months)
    - Outreach to OPWDD, providers, advocacy and family groups
    - Schedule planning sessions
  - Establish connection with local and central OPWDD
  - Identify, by region, persons interested in participating in training (especially persons with IDD and their families)
  - Identify between 12-15 people regionally who will participate in SLI
  - Identify local resources to post on HRC

- Project Director will meet monthly with all MHNs and confer with members of RHCs
- MHN will prepare an interim report for Project Director and NYAII's CEO 2 times per year (2 per year for 3 years- 6 reports per MHN)
- MHN will prepare one final report at the end of each year (3 total/ 5 MHNs over grant period- 15 total)
- The Project Director will meet monthly with all MHNs to ID best practices, and resolve any issues
- Each MHN works with 3 individuals, per year, to develop non-certified housing opportunities (15 individuals/year for 3 years)
  - Work directly or as an advisor to create a plan
  - Each housing plan will be evaluated on outcomes for the person and the process
    - Process indicators- time from development to moving; impediments to the process

#### 45 Individuals moving to non-certified homes (15 each year for three years)

- The NY Alliance will create materials covering several topics to be used by OPWDD to educate potential participants:
  - Why consider uncertified housing
  - Pros and cons- comparing certified with non-certified housing
  - Examples on non-cert housing including Shared Living and Self-Direction
  - How non-cert housing options are developed and financed
  - Safeguards
  - How to find housemates
  - Employing Assistive Tech to insure success
  - And for families- "how to sustain non-certified housing over time" and "what happens when I am gone?"
    - Materials will reflect comprehension level of individuals with IDD
    - Multiple formats for distribution including written, web-cast, presentations etc.
- Project Director will identify select 3 individuals per year per region who want to move from their current 24-hour/ day settings (based on outreach to OPWDD, provider agencies, advocacy and family groups)
- Each individual moving to a non-certified home will receive training on tenant rights and responsibilities

#### Statewide Learning Institute

- Annual SLI Summit for Regional Housing Coordinators (total of 3)
- Series (number?) of events throughout the year for RHCs
  - 20 topics over the three-year grant
    - Some core courses offered each year
    - Some content offered only once
    - Housing Resource Center website can translate into over 100 languages
  - Variety of formats- including open-source learning systems
  - Posted on the Housing Resource Center website
- 60-75 participants/year representing 5 regions

- Three Learning Tracks
  - Work with developers/use of tax credits
  - Becoming a housing navigator
  - Repurposing cert. sites-Developing uncertified housing
    - ID 3 providers interested in repurposing at least 1 property
    - Develop proposal for the property, submit to OPWDD

### Housing Resource Center

- Augment the Resource Center to include non-cert housing options and resources, replicable tools and best practices
  - With assistance from MHNs, RHCs and Housing Navigators
  - Variety of formats
- Create a targeted training for landlords re: interactions with persons with disabilities, the OPWDD system and the benefits of leasing to persons with IDD

### Evaluation/Dissemination/Sustainability

- Evaluation
  - Work with an independent evaluator to develop and administer pre/post survey on quality of life indicators and social determinants of health for the individuals moving to a non-certified home- each person in the pilot (15/year)
  - Develop Eval tool for process and outcomes (year 1)
  - HRC website evaluated by 2 of the 5 regions annually
  - Electronic surveys after each educational session
  - Statewide and regional collaborative evals reviewed annually by NY Alliance Advisory Committee
  - Final report reflecting overall process and outcomes posted on HRC and distributed electronically to all RHC members (year 3)
- Sustainability
  - Toolkit and sustainable culture of collaboration (year 3)
  - Seek funding sources beyond grant
  - Use revenue generated from educational sessions to provide community ed and tech assistance
  - Advocacy for HN services to be reimbursable under the waiver

### Miscellaneous

- Create and administer educational materials, programs and learning opportunities for individuals and family members on the range housing opportunities.
- Provide strategies to promote conflict resolution surrounding housing through person centered planning
- \*\* Education on non-cert options will be developed and provided in multiple formats- webinars, podcasts, in person, written and visual materials and tech support
- A menu of training will be offered over a three-year period in a variety of modalities. Stakeholders pick and choose- (Is there a number of trainings? Times per year?)

