

**Bronx Community Board #2  
Health, Human Services & Environmental Committee  
&  
Special Events Committee  
MINUTES**

**Date of Meeting:** Tuesday, October 6, 2020

AGENDA	DISCUSSION	ACTION/ RESOLUTION
<p>1. Welcome</p> <p>2. Presentation: Urban Health Plan, Health care services in the community by Ms. Paloma Hernandez, President and CEO</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Chairperson welcomes everyone. All attendees introduced themselves.</li> <li>• Ms. Paloma Hernandez, President and CEO of Urban Health Plan, came and did an update about Urban Health Plan and impact of the pandemic in the services.</li> <li>• Urban Health Plan is the biggest community health center and biggest employer within the Bronx community board 2.               <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Urban Health Plan never fully closed. Although limited, health care services were provided.</li> <li>○ UHP created a respiratory clinic for patients with Covid symptoms.</li> <li>○ El Nuevo San Juan hours of operation is Monday through Saturday from 8am to 5pm.</li> <li>○ Urban Health Plan Telehealth; 718-589-4755</li> <li>○ Although, there are patients who needs to be seeing in person to see their provider, UHP has successfully transitioned to an almost telehealth mode of providing service.</li> <li>○ <i>WIC services are being provided remotely by telephone; patients can call us at 718.589.4776 Ext: 3291.</i> Participants can apply for benefits, recertify, get lost eWIC cards, get referrals to other programs, breastfeeding information and help and, nutrition counseling.</li> <li>○ Temperature is taking before coming into the facility.</li> <li>○ UHP is doing testing to its patients.</li> <li>○ We currently have a sufficient inventory of supplies and PPEs. We have projected our 90 day need and will be securing the items which we will need.</li> </ul> </li> </ul>	-0

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<p>3. Presentation: 2020 Medicare Advantage Open Enrollment Period by Gabrielle Torres, Outreach and Enrollment Coordinator at Urban Health</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Urban Health Plan is gradually expanding services following CDC protocols of social distancing, face mask, and capacity.</li> <li>○ Patients can make in person or telehealth appointments.</li> <li>○ It's encouraged that our patients and community have their flu shots.</li> </ul> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Ms. Torres, Outreach and Enrollment Coordinator from Urban Health Plan spoke about the open enrollment for community residents who have Medicare Part A and B.</li> <li>● Medicare Advantage (also known as "Part C") is an "all in one" alternative to Original Medicare. These "bundled" plans include Part A, Part B, and usually Part D (medication). They also may offer extra benefits Original Medicare doesn't cover.</li> <li>● One person can have Medicaid and Medicare. (Duals)</li> <li>● Although someone with Medicaid can enroll through the year, those who only have Medicare can enroll in a Medicare Advantage only once. This period is call Open Enrollment.</li> <li>● This year, Open enrollment is between October 15, 2020 to December 7, 2020. Changes will be effective on January 2021. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ If you're in a Medicare Advantage Plan (with or without drug coverage), you can switch to another Medicare Advantage Plan (with or without drug coverage)</li> <li>○ You can drop your Medicare Advantage Plan and return to Original Medicare. You'll also be able to join a Medicare Prescription Drug Plan.</li> </ul> </li> <li>● Most common types of Medicare Advantage Plans: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Health Maintenance Organization (HMO) Plans</li> <li>○ Preferred Provider Organization (PPO) Plans</li> <li>○ Private Fee-for-Service (PFFS) Plans</li> <li>○ Special Needs Plan (SNPs)</li> </ul> </li> <li>● Urban Health Plan - Health Information Place can help the community to understand the Medicare Advantage options from Monday through Friday from 9am to 6pm. Everyone can call at 718-589-2440 ext. 4384</li> </ul>	

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4. Old Business	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Although, the Health Committee did not meet in the month of September, the CB2 contacted the Department of Health so they could make a presentation in the full board meeting of September to give an update about Covid 19.</li> </ul>	
5. New Business	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>No New Business</li> </ul>	
6. Announcements	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>No announcement</li> </ul>	
7. Adjournment	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The meeting finished at 6pm.</li> </ul>	