



## Capital Region RPC Board Members

**RPC Co-Chair:** Katherine Alonge-Coons, LCSW-R, Commissioner, Rensselaer County Department of Mental Health

**RPC Co-Chair:** Amanda Pierro, Peer Representative

**RPC Coordinator:** Colleen Russo

### Community Based Providers:

**Mental Health:** John Paduano, Managing Director – RSS

**Substance Use:** Kevin Connally, Executive Director – Hope House

**HCBS Provider:** Paula Jubic, Associate Executive Director for Clinical Programs – Catholic Charities Disabilities Services

**Housing:** Linda Lewis, Service Director – Unity House

**Children/Family Provider:** Bill Gettman, CEO – Northern Rivers

**Children/Family Provider:** Frank Pindiak, Executive Director – St. Catherine’s Center for Children

### Director of Community Services:

**Albany County:** Stephen Giordano, Ph.D.

**Columbia County:** Daniel Almasi, Acting DCS

**Greene County:** Jason Fredenberg, PsyD

**Rensselaer County:** Katherine Alonge-Coons, LCSW-R

**Saratoga County:** Michael Prezioso, PhD

**Schenectady County:** Darin Samaha, LMSW

### Key Partners:

**Healthy Capital District Initiative** – Kevin Jobin-Davis, Ph.D., Executive Director

**Alliance for Better Healthcare** – Patrick Magee, Performance Consultant

**Saratoga County Public Health** – Cathi Duncan, Director and Early Intervention Official

**Care Design New York** – Mandy Senko, Assistant Vice President of Provider Relations

**Hixny** – John Bunnell, Director of Account Operations

**Key Partner** – Board Seat Open

### State Government Reps:

**OASAS Field Office:** Melany Bradshaw, Program Manager, Upper Hudson Regional Office

**OMH Field Office:** Victoria DeSimone, Field Office Coordinator of Managed Care

**OCFS:** Rick Jobin, Bridges to Health-Quality Management

### Hospitals and Health System Providers:

**Hospital:** Brian Stewart, Director of Psych Services – Columbia Memorial Hospital

**Hospital:** Samuel Bastien IV, Ph.D., CEO – Four Winds Saratoga

**Hospital:** Brendon Smith, MA, Ph.D., Behavioral Health Clinical Director of the AMCH PPS – Albany Medical Center Hospital

**Health System Provider:** Rachel Handler, Executive Director – St. Peter’s Health Partners (Samaritan Hospital)

**Health Home Lead:** Nicole Bryl, COO – CHHUNY

**Health Home Lead:** Cady Herman, Health Home Regional Manager- Hudson River Healthcare

### Peer/Family/Youth Advocates:

**Family Rep** – Ruth Fennelly

**Family Rep** – Katie Conroy

**Peer Rep** – Todd French

**Peer Rep** – Amanda Pierro

**Youth Advocate** – Lori Teaney

**Youth Advocate** – Lindsay Falkner

### MCO/HARP:

**CDPHP** – Carl Rorie Alexandrov, Director Behavioral Health Operations

**MVP** – Angela Vidile, Director, Medicaid Services and Supports

**Fidelis** – Ivette Morales, Behavioral Health Clinical Liason

**United HealthCare** – Jennifer Earl, M.A., LMHC, Government Liaison

**Beacon Health Options** – Renee Abdou-Malta, President- New York