

State Awards \$660,000 to Federation of Organizations for Programs that Combat Drug Addiction

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HAUPPAUGE, NY - August 7, 2023 – The Federation of Organizations for the New York State Mentally Disabled, a multi-service, community-based social wellness agency based in West Babylon, has been awarded \$660,000 towards further establishing its comprehensive outpatient treatment programs for those suffering from addiction, Senator Monica R. Martinez announced. The award stems from the state's Opioid Settlement Fund and is part of a \$5.8 million distribution to similar programs throughout New York State.

Programs receiving this funding will offer both an outpatient treatment program and an opioid treatment program at the same location to facilitate broad, people-centered services - particularly for opioid use disorder.

"Integrating treatments and centralizing these programs makes them more easily accessible and increases their success rate," said Senator Monica R. Martinez of the award. "Long Island continues to be in the midst of a severe opioid crisis," she added. "We need programs like this that guide those suffering from substance use disorders toward their road to recovery."

Incorporated as a non-profit in 1972, the Federation of Organizations has since grown into a major health and human services agency providing a wide range of health and wellness services, senior and children's services, housing, and support services for thousands of vulnerable community members on Long Island and New York City. Its Suffolk County community centers and clinics are located in Patchogue, Copiague, Medford, and Wyandanch.

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