



NEW YORK STATE SENATOR

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## Senator Roxanne J. Persaud Hosts Workshop on Direct Care at the NYS Association of Black and Puerto Rican Legislators 47th Annual Conference in Albany

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(Brooklyn, NY) Senator Roxanne J. Persaud in Partnership with NY Caring Majority held a workshop entitled "The Care Crisis in New York" on Saturday, February 17, 2018, from 10:45 a.m. to 12:00 p.m., during the annual NYS Association of Black and Puerto Rican Legislators 47th Annual Conference in Albany.

The presenters from New York Caring Majority gave an overview of the challenges faced and presented concrete solutions for the way forward. The presenters include Josephine Kalipeni - Director of Policy and Partnerships at Caring Across Generations; Myrna Alleyne - spokesperson for the New York Caring Majority coalition and Rachel McCullough - Director of Organizing at Jews for Racial & Economic Justice (JFREJ)/coordinator of the New York Caring Majority.

“Family members are fighting hard to pay for loved ones. Home care workers are struggling to make ends meet. People with disabilities, including children, the elderly, and other vulnerable citizens are experiencing a lower quality of life and increased hardship. At the same time, funding to support the most vulnerable population is diminishing. The Care Crisis in New York State needs to be addressed now- our loved ones deserve optimum care and should not be stressed on a daily basis.” Senator Persaud said.

The participants at the workshop noted that it was very informative and thanked Senator Persaud for her continued commitment to improving the overall conditions of those who cannot speak up for themselves.

This crisis has strong implication for the constituents I serve, both those in need of care and those who provide the care. We cannot remain silent; we cannot stop until we find a real and lasting solution to the care crisis in our state. Senator Roxanne J. Persaud.