Health Equity Council
Meeting Agenda
December 6, 2024
10:00 a.m. – 1:30 p.m.

New York State Department of Health
90 Church Street, NY
4th floor Rm. 4A/B

Rochester Regional Office
1565 Jefferson Rd, Suite 120, Henrietta NY

10:00 a.m. – 10:15 a.m.	**Registration & Arrival** **Call to Order & Introductions**	Mario Ortiz, RN Ph.D. Chair, Health Equity Council Helen Arteaga, Ph.D., MPH Vice Chair, Health Equity Council
10:15 a.m. – 10:45 a.m.	**Council Business** • Agenda Overview • Summary of Previous Meeting • Approval of minute – September 13th, 2024	Mario Ortiz, RN Ph.D. Chair, Health Equity Council
	• Office of Health Equity and Human Rights	Mary McCormick, Executive Operations Manager, OHEHR
	• Office of Minority Health and Health Disparities Update	Wilma Alvarado-Little, Associate Commissioner, OMH-HDP
10:45 a.m. – 11:00 a.m.	**Sickle Cell Legislation** • 25th anniversary of testing	Suzanne Swan, Director, Bureau of Child Health
	• Legislative Update	Alice Spina, NYSPHC Fellow III, Office of Minority Health & Health Disparities Prevention
11:00 a.m. – 11:30 a.m.	**DISCUSSION**	Mario Ortiz, RN Ph.D. Chair, Health Equity Council Helen Arteaga, Ph.D., MPH Vice Chair, Health Equity Council
11:30a.m. – 12:30 p.m.	**Department of Health Initiatives**	Mario Ortiz, RN Ph.D. Chair Helen Arteaga, Ph.D., MPH Vice Chair, Health Equity Council
	• Health Equity Plan	Kacey Griffin, MPH, Senior Health Program Coordinator, NYS Department of Health
	• Prevention Agenda	Zahra Alaali, MPH, NYS Prevention Agenda Coordinator, Office of Public Health Practice New York State Department of Health Elizabeth Whalen, MD, MPH, DipABLM, Medical Director, Office of Public Health Practice, New York State Department of Health

12:30 p.m. – 12:45 p.m.	**Break**	All
12:45 p.m. – 1:15 p.m.	**Meeting Recap, Next Steps, Action Items Bring their calendars for meetings during 2025**	Mario Ortiz, RN Ph.D. Chair Helen Arteaga, Ph.D., MPH Vice Chair, Health Equity Council / All
1:15 p.m. – 1:25 p.m.	**Public Comment**	Wilma Alvarado-Little, Associate Commissioner, OMH-HDP
1:25 p.m. – 1:30 p.m.	**Adjournment**	Public/All