



PSCH-PK Celebrates Staff at Annual Recognition Picnic

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It's a great day and an awesome way to say thank you," said Norron McDonald, Internal Auditor, at PSCH's Executive Offices. His comment echoed the feelings of the more than 500 staff that rekindled friendships and shared their pride at the PSCH Annual 'Celebration of Staff' Picnic on September 15th.

WellLife Network Is Coming – January 2017

It also provided an opportunity to introduce the new name and logo of PSCH. In January, 2017 PSCH and Pederson-Krag Center will become WellLife Network. **"WellLife Network will increase our scale and capabilities to thrive and grow in a changing health care environment,"** said Sherry Tucker, CFO. **"The merger of PSCH and Pederson-Krag will allow us to compete more effectively in the health and human services arena and expand services to some 25,000 individuals and families in communities throughout New York and Long Island."**

Picnic Strengthens Bonds, Recognizes Achievements

Featured at this year's picnic was a special presentation to a member of our Clean Corps staff, who received NYSID Joslin Outstanding Performer Award. He was one of 59 state-wide winners of this prestigious award, which included a \$500 honorarium. Alan Weinstock, CEO commented, **"It is rewarding to know that NYSID has recognized a member of our staff for outstanding service to our organization and in doing so, overcoming many personal challenges in the quest to become an exemplary employee and active community member."**

The picnic featured many events from info-sessions, which promoted personal well-being and health, volleyball and t-shirt competitions, to massage therapy and blood pressure screenings. Each hour was highlighted with the selection of raffle prizes from an amazing array of donated gift cards from our partners and supporters, orchestrated by Eric Rosin, Director, Procurement and Jacqueline Herrera, Senior Vice President, Administration. Some 70 prizes were given away by the end of the day. Food and soft drinks were plentiful all day from the BBQ pit. To continue a tradition, our friendly Mr. Softee truck provided a frosty array of ice cream cones, sundaes and popsicles.

Best T-shirt design went to the PSCH Brooklyn-based Supported Housing for their spirited presentation of "Bringing the Best of Supported Housing" tees. Hats off to our runner ups: WellLife Accounting; Renaissance Rising; I'm Not Analyzing You – PSYCH Department; Long Island Supported Housing; and The Family Support Warriors. Several teams competed in an exciting volleyball competition with the Brooklyn Supported Housing Team reigning as the 2016 champions for the fifth consecutive year!

Facilitating Teamwork Is Our Goal

"The PSCH Picnic helps to build relationships and keep channels of communication open," said Jacqueline Herrera, Senior Vice President, Administration. **"When a personal connection is established, people are more likely to engage positively with one another on workplace issues."** A special thank you our corporate partner Ace Endico, who graciously donated the food for this event.

Deep appreciation to Diana Salcedo-Leon, Executive Assistant; Julie Llerena, Board Liaison and Media Coordinator; Andrew Carbonara, Vice President, General Services; Eric Rosin, Procurement Director, members of the Picnic Committee and the more than 20 volunteers who helped to organize and execute the "perfect tribute to our staff".

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