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Highlights

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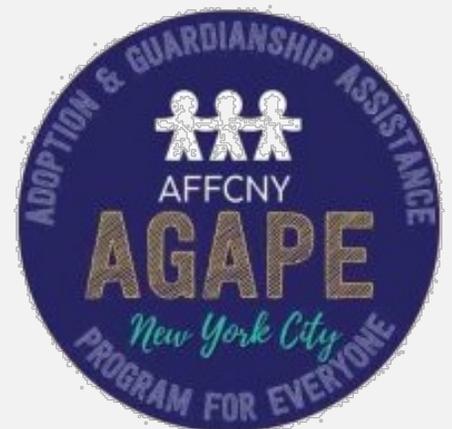
The Adoptive and Foster Family Coalition of New York (AFFCNY) offers a new monthly in-person support group for adoptive, foster, and kinship caregivers in New York City. Both the Caregiver Connection and Youth Hangouts meet at one convenient time and location.

- **When:** Second Saturday each month from 1:00 – 2:30 p.m.*
- **Where:** St. John the Baptist, 213 W. 30th Street, Manhattan
- **To register:** click [here](#).

*February 7th 3:00 – 4:30 p.m.

Staff from NYC Adoption & Guardianship Assistance Program for Everyone (NYC AGAPE) facilitate sessions covering topics such as:

- Understanding Our Children's Behaviors
- Fostering Parental Resilience
- Tackling School Challenges
- Addressing Social and Emotional Hurdles
- Exploring Therapeutic Versus Traditional Parenting Approaches





Pair Foster Care Children with a Coach through Fair Futures

Founded in 2019, The Center for **Fair Futures** is a youth-led advocacy movement and coalition of over 100+ non-profit organizations and foundations.

- **Mission:** to provide ongoing one-on-one support to young people ages 11-26 in the Foster Care system.
- **Trained professional coaches**, many who came from Foster Care themselves — help youth achieve academic success and assist with career development, housing, and life goals.

Young people in Foster Care from grade 9 to age 26 can sign up for 1:1 coaching and support. To be paired with a coach and for more information, visit [Fair Futures](#).

In 2023, the NYC Administration raised enough funding to implement the Fair Futures model in **all 26 NYC foster care agencies**.

Fair Futures practices the 3Cs.

- They are **consistent** in reaching out to young people.
- They get **creative** when something doesn't work, and they try a new approach.
- They **celebrate** young people every step of the way!

The support provided by Fair Futures helps youth take a path toward becoming independent and successful adults. Having role models and mentors in their corner to champion for youth is crucial. More than 3,500 youth have been helped so far. Successes of the program include:

- Increased graduation rates. Eighth graders in Foster Care are now at or above the city's average graduation rate.
- Increased post-secondary enrollment.
- The creation in 2024 of an action plan to prevent homelessness for youth aging out of the Foster Care system.

Quiz

In what year was the first New York State adoption law enacted?

1850

1873

1924

1976

Were you correct?

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to find out!

Publications

Click to access [NYRx](#), [the Medicaid Pharmacy Program](#) website for these publications and more:

- NYRx Notice to Providers: Medicaid Coverage of Penicillin G Benzathine
- NYRx Cost Optimization Program Overview
- NYRx Drug Class Coverage Overview: Anti-Infective – Topicals
- NYRx Drug Class Coverage Overview: Central Nervous System Stimulants and Other Agents for Attention Deficit Hyperactivity Disorder
- NYRx Drug Class Coverage Overview: Immunomodulators – Systemic and Benlysta
- NYRx Drug Class Coverage Overview: Short-Acting Opioids
- NYRx Drug Class Coverage Overview: Sodium Glucose Co-Transporter 2 Inhibitors
- NYRx Opioid Dependence Agents
- NYRx Drug Coverage Overview: Trelegy Ellipta®
- NYRx Notice to Providers: Coverage Update Phosphate Binders/Regulators

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About the NYRx E&O Team

The NYRx E&O team serves as a liaison between all stakeholders and NYRx to support care coordination. Clinical liaisons are trained to support and help solve complex pharmacy cases for:



- Managed Care Plans
- Case workers and NYS agencies
- Prescribers and pharmacies with questions regarding NYRx drug coverage, prior approval requirements, and NYRx enrolled pharmacies
- Complex care coordination for populations such as HIV/AIDS, Hemophilia, Foster Care Children, Serious Mental Illness, Substance Use Disorder, and Hepatitis C

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Weekly Webinars

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Prescriber Webinar

Mondays

12 PM – 1 PM ET

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Wednesdays

12 PM – 1 PM ET

NYRx, the Medicaid Pharmacy Program

Fridays

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Office Hour Q&A Pop-In

Mondays and Wednesdays

12 PM – 1 PM ET

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Meet with the Team

The NYRx E&O team meets with various 29-I agencies throughout the month. Would you like to request a meeting with us? [Click here.](#)

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1-833-967-7310

Monday – Friday

8 AM – 5 PM ET

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Quiz Answer: 1873