

The New York State Office of Mental Health believes everyone should have an equal opportunity for mental wellness. This means implementing services and policies to reduce disparities in access, quality, and treatment outcomes for historically marginalized, underserved and unserved populations. These populations include but are not limited to; people of color, members of the LGBTQ community, older adults, rural New Yorkers, Veterans, immigrants, people with disabilities (including physical) people who have limited English proficiency, individuals who are deaf/hard of hearing.



In line with OMH's multifaceted approach to combating disparities, **OMH's Office of Diversity and Inclusion - Bureau of Cultural Competence** is hosting a webinar series, **Strategies for Behavioral Health Equity**. The next webinar will be **Tuesday September 28, 2021 from 10:00am-11:30am**. These regularly scheduled webinars provide solid guidance, research findings and best practice approaches to reducing disparities across NY's mental health service system.

**Prioritizing Equity for Limited English Proficient and Deaf/HOH Individuals
Receiving Behavioral Health Services
September 28, 2021
10:00am - 11:30am**

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[Register Here!](#)

Learning Objectives:

1. Know the legal foundation for the provision of language access services for limited English proficient individuals in mental health care settings
2. Understand the importance of utilizing best practice approaches to deliver language access services
3. Identify and develop strategies to overcome barriers to the provision of quality language access services (i.e. funding, infrastructure).

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