



# HEALTH BENEFITS DEPARTMENT

This Department is responsible for the coordination and oversight of all negotiated health benefit arrangements. Primary objectives include the development, enhancement and expansion of all health related benefits provided to our members.

The Health Benefits Department acts as a resource for all Divisions of CSEA (State, Local Government and Private Sector) by providing direct assistance and support to Region and Headquarters staff, local and unit officers, and the rank & file membership.

The CSEA-NYS *Joint Committee on Health Benefits*, pursuant to Article 9 of the State Contract, is primarily responsible for the oversight and administration of the New York State Health Insurance Program (NYSHIP). The NYSHIP program includes the Empire Plan and Health Maintenance Organizations located throughout the State.

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The following listing is the current staff available to you; as staff/services are expanded we will update you accordingly:

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## **Joint Committee on Health Benefits Staff**

Dawn Dugan  
Deputy Director  
CSEA/NYS Joint Committee on Health Benefits

## **Local Government Private Sector Staff**

Scott Futia  
Deputy Director  
Local Government/Private Sector

## **Health Benefits Specialist** James Carroll

**Health Benefits Communications Associate**  
Suzanne Carter

**Health Benefits Specialists**  
Philip Lupe  
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## **Support Staff**

**Office Manager**  
Sandra Culver

**Secretary**  
Michele Farrell

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