

Record Group 18: Health Department

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HEALTH COMMISSIONER (RG18)

Established: December 23, 1929

Authorized by: Chapter 371 of the Laws of 1929

Appointed by County Executive with approval of the Board of Health. Term is coterminous with that of the County Executive.

1930-1938	Matthias Nichol, Jr.	first Health Officer of county
1938-1942	George H. Ramsey	
1944-1955	William A. Holla	
1956-1968	William A. Brumfield	appointed March 1956
1969-1978	Jack J. Goldman	
1978-1989	Anita S. Curran	
1989-1996	Mark S. Rapoport	
1997-1999	Harold N. Adel	
2000	vacant	
2001-2009	Joshua Lipsman	
2010	Patsy Yang, Acting Commissioner (January 2010)	
2010-2011	Cheryl Archbald, Acting Commissioner (February 2010-Sept 2011)	
2011-	Dr. Sherlita Amler (Oct. 2011)	

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1937 with adoption of Westchester County Charter, Health Department became a function of executive branch of government

1973 County Health Department covered the entire population of Westchester after merging with separate city health districts

1930	George J. Werner Caroline O'Day Bertha A. Moore I. Randolph Jacobs William H. Cante Charles F. Chapman Herbert C. Gerlach	President ex-officio, Bd. of Supervisors
1931	George J. Werner Caroline O'Day Bertha S. Moore I. Randolph Jacobs William H. Cante Charles F. Chapman Herbert C. Gerlach	 ex-officio
1932	Ruth Taylor Edwin G. Ramsdell Bertha S. Moore I. Randolph Jacobs Charles F. Chapman Herbert C. Gerlach	 ex-officio
1933	Ruth Taylor Edwin G. Ramsdell Bertha S. Moore Charles C. Sweet Nelson A. Rockefeller Charles F. Chapman Herbert C. Gerlach	 ex-officio

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1934-1935	Ruth Taylor Edwin G. Ramsdell Bertha S. Moore Charles C. Sweet Nelson A. Rockefeller Frederick E. Vaughan Herbert C. Gerlach	ex-officio
1936	Ruth Taylor Edwin G. Ramsdell Bertha S. Moore Charles C. Sweet Nelson A. Rockefeller Frederick E. Vaughan William C. Duell	ex-officio
1937	Edwin G. Ramsdell Ruth Taylor Bertha S. Moore Charles C. Sweet Nelson A. Rockefeller Frederick E. Vaughan William C. Duell	President ex-officio
1938	Edwin G. Ramsdell Ruth Taylor Bertha S. Moore Charles C. Sweet Nelson A. Rockefeller Frederick E. Vaughan Ralph A. McClelland	President ex-officio
1939	Edwin G. Ramsdell Ralph A. McClelland Nelson A. Rockefeller Charles C. Sweet Ruth Taylor Jane H. Todd Frederick E. Vaughan	President ex-officio
1940	Edwin G. Ramsdell J. Russell Forshay Ralph A. McClelland Nelson A. Rockefeller	President ex-officio

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	Charles C. Sweet Ruth Taylor Jane H. Todd Frederick E. Vaughan	
1941	Edwin G. Ramsdell J. Russell Forshay Ralph A. McClelland Nelson A. Rockefeller Charles C. Sweet Ruth Taylor Jane H. Todd Frederick E. Vaughan	President ex-officio died April 1942
1942	Edwin G. Ramsdell J. Russell Forshay Ralph A. McClelland Nelson A. Rockefeller Charles C. Sweet Ruth Taylor Jane H. Todd	President
1943-1945	Edwin G. Ramsdell J. Russell Forshay Merwin E. Marsland Ralph A. McClelland Nelson A. Rockefeller Charles C. Sweet Ruth Taylor Jane H. Todd	President
1946	Edwin G. Ramsdell Jean C. Fisher J. Russell Forshay Merwin E. Marsland Ralph A. McClelland Nelson A. Rockefeller Charles C. Sweet Ruth Taylor	President
1947-1948	Edwin G. Ramsdell Jean C. Fisher Robert F. Koop Merwin E. Marsland	President

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	Nelson A. Rockefeller Robert B. Stewart Charles C. Sweet Ruth Taylor	
1949	Edwin G. Ramsdell Julia H. Dyche Jean C. Fisher Robert F. Koop Merwin E. Marsland Nelson A. Rockefeller Robert B. Stewart Charles C. Sweet Ruth Taylor	President
1950	Edwin G. Ramsdell Robert F. Koop Merwin E. Marsland Nelson A. Rockefeller Robert B. Stewart Stanton M. Strawson Ruth Taylor	President
1951	Edwin G. Ramsdell Charles L. Brieant Robert F. Koop Merwin E. Marsland Nelson A. Rockefeller Robert B. Stewart Stanton M. Strawson Ruth Taylor	President
1952	Edwin G. Ramsdell Charles L. Brieant Robert F. Koop Merwin E. Marsland Nelson A. Rockefeller Joseph G. Saile Stanton M. Strawson Ruth Taylor William Holla	President ex-officio Commissioner
1953	Edwin G. Ramsdell William A. Holla	President Commissioner

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	Robert E. Koop Merwin E. Marsland Gordon Miller Stanton M. Strawson Charles L. Brieant Mrs. David Dyche	ex-officio
1954	Edwin G. Ramsdell Charles L. Brieant Mrs. David Dyche Robert F. Koop Merwin E. Marsland Gordon Miller Stanton M. Strawson	President
1955-1956	Edwin G. Ramsdell Charles L. Brieant Mrs. David Dyche Robert F. Koop Merwin E. Marsland Gordon Miller Stanton M. Strawson Elmira B. Wickenden	President
1957	Edwin G. Ramsdell Charles L. Brieant Valeria D. Foot Robert F. Koop Merwin E. Marsland Gordon Miller Stanton M. Strawson Elmira B. Wickenden	President
1958	Edwin G. Ramsdell Charles L. Brieant Louis A. Druss Valeria D. Foot Robert F. Koop Merwin E. Marsland Gordon Miller Stanton M. Strawson Elmira B. Wickenden	President

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1959	Edwin G. Ramsdell Charles L. Brieant Louis A. Druss Valeria D. Foot Robert F. Koop Merwin E. Marsland Gordon Miller Rodman C. Rockefeller Stanton M. Strawson Elmira B. Wickenden	President
1960	Charles L. Brieant Louis A. Druss Valeria D. Foot Robert F. Koop Merwin E. Marsland Gordon Miller Rodman C. Rockefeller Stanton M. Strawson Elmira B. Wickenden	President
1961	Charles L. Brieant Louis A. Druss Valeria D. Foot Robert F. Koop Louis P. Kurtis Merwin E. Marsland Gordon Miller Donald R. Reed Rodman C. Rockefeller Wallace M. Sheriden Elmira B. Wickenden	
1962	Charles L. Brieant Louis A. Druss Valeria D. Foot Robert F. Koop Louis P. Kurtis Gordon Miller Donald R. Reed Rodman C. Rockefeller Wallace M. Sheriden Elmira B. Wickenden	

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1963-1964	Charles L. Briant Louis A. Druss Valeria D. Foot Robert F. Koop Louis P. Kurtis Mrs. Edward McSweeney Donald R. Reed Wallace M. Sheriden Edward N. Vetrano Clifford T. Weihman	President Vice President
1965	Charles L. Briant Louis A. Druss Valeria D. Foot James M. Jones Louis P. Kurtis Mrs. Edward McSweeney Donald R. Reed John C. Vesce Edward N. Vetrano Clifford T. Weihman	President
1966-1967	Donald R. Reed Arthur H. Diedrick, MD ¹ Louis A. Druss Valeria D. Foot James M. Jones Louis P. Kurtis Mrs. Edward McSweeney John C. Vesce Clifford T. Weihman	President
1968	Donald R. Reed Arthur H. Diedrick, MD Louis A. Druss Valeria D. Foot Mrs. Grace Hallock James M. Jones Louis P. Kurtis Erwin H. Uellendahl John C. Vesce Clifford T. Weihman	President

¹ Designation of medical degree(s) held by board members indicated when information known / available.

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1969	Donald R. Reed Mrs. Mary Benjamin Arthur H. Diedrick, MD Louis A. Druss Mrs. Grace Hallock James M. Jones Louis P. Kurtis Erwin H. Uellendahl John C. Vesce Clifford T. Weihman	President
1970	Donald R. Reed Mrs. Mary Benjamin Hon. R. Bradlee Boal Arthur H. Diedrick, MD Louis A. Druss Mrs. Grace Hallock James M. Jones Louis P. Kurtis John C. Vesce Clifford T. Weihman	President
1971	James M. Jones, MD Hon. R. Bradlee Boal Arthur H. Diedrick, MD Louis A. Druss Mrs. Grace Hallock Louis P. Kurtis John C. Vesce Clifford T. Weihman Edward Williams	President
1972	James M. Jones, MD Mrs. John T. Benjamin Arthur H. Diedrick, MD Mrs. Grace Hallock Louis P. Kurtis John C. Vesce Clifford T. Weihman Edward Williams	President
1973	James M. Jones, MD Mrs. John T. Benjamin	President

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	Anthony M. DeAngelis, MD Arthur H. Diedrick, MD Mrs. Grace Hallock Louis P. Kurtis Hon. Joseph R. Martin John Alan Ramsdell John C. Vesce Clifford T. Weihman Edward Williams	
1974	James M. Jones, MD Mrs. John T. Benjamin Leonard Berman Anthony M. DeAngelis, MD Arthur H. Diedrick, MD Katharine Friedman Mrs. Grace Hallock Hon. Audrey Hochberg John Alan Ramsdell William Schraft, Jr. , MD John C. Vesce Clifford T. Weihman Edward Williams	President
1975	James M. Jones, MD Charles N. Bates Mrs. John T. Benjamin Anthony M. DeAngelis, MD Arthur H. Diedrick, MD Katharine Friedman Mrs. Grace Hallock Hon. Audrey Hochberg Alfred S. Mitrione John Alan Ramsdell William Schraft, Jr. , MD John C. Vesce Clifford T. Weihman Edward Williams	President appointed Mar. 1975 appointed Mar. 1975
1976	James M. Jones, MD Charles Bates Mrs. John T. Benjamin, Jr. Anthony M. DeAngelis, MD Arthur H. Diedrick, MD	President Vice President

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	Katharine Friedman	
	Mrs. Grace Hallock (Mrs. J. Douglas)	
	Mrs. Audrey Hochberg	resigned Apr. 1976
	Wilfred Manzo	appointed Apr. 1976
	Alfred S. Mitrione	
	William C. Schraft, Jr. , MD	
	John C. Vesce	
	Edward Williams	
1977	James M. Jones, MD	President
	Charles Bates	
	Mrs. John T. Benjamin, Jr.	Vice President
	Anthony M. DeAngelis, MD	
	Arthur H. Diedrick, MD	
	Katharine Friedman	
	Wilfred Manzo	
	Alfred S. Mitrione	
	William C. Schraft, Jr. , MD	
	John C. Vesce	
	Edward Williams	
1978	James M. Jones, MD	President
	Charles Bates	
	Mrs. John T. Benjamin, Jr.	Vice President
	Anthony M. DeAngelis, MD	
	Arthur H. Diedrick, MD	
	Katharine Friedman	
	Alfred S. Mitrione	
	John Alan Ramsdell, MD	
	William Schraft, Jr. , MD	
	John C. Vesce	
	Chester T. Williams	appointed Dec. 1978
	Edward Williams	
1979	James M. Jones, MD	President
	Charles Bates	
	Mrs. John T. Benjamin, Jr.	Vice President
	Anthony M. DeAngelis, MD	
	Arthur H. Diedrick, MD	
	Alfred S. Mitrione	
	John Alan Ramsdell, MD	
	William C. Schraft, Jr., MD	
	John C. Vesce	
	Chester T. Williams	

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	Edward Williams 1 vacancy County Legislator vacancy	
1980	James M. Jones, MD Charles Bates Anthony M. DeAngelis, MD Arthur H. Diedrick, MD Alfred S. Mitrione John Alan Ramsdell, MD William Schraft, Jr. , MD John C. Vesce Chester T. Williams Edward Williams Sanford Kaplan David Goldrich	President Vice President
1981	James M. Jones, MD Charles Bates James E. Carnicelli Joseph W. Christiana Anthony M. DeAngelis, MD Arthur H. Diedrick, MD Alfred S. Mitrione Arthur Pagano, Jr. John Alan Ramsdell, MD William Schraft, Jr., MD John C. Vesce Chester T. Williams Edward Williams	President Vice President
1982	James M. Jones, MD Charles Bates James E. Carnicelli Anthony M. DeAngelis, MD Arthur H. Diedrick, MD Alfred S. Mitrione John P. O'Leary Arthur Pagano, Jr. John Alan Ramsdell William Schraft, Jr. , MD John J. Vesce Chester T. Williams Edward Williams	President Vice President

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1983	John A. Ramsdell, MD Charles Bates Alfred R. Bonsignore, MD James E. Carnicelli Arthur H. Diedrick, MD Alfred S. Mitrione John P. O'Leary Arthur Pagano, Jr. William Schraft, Jr. , MD John J. Vesce Chester T. Williams Edward Williams	President Vice President
1984	John A. Ramsdell, MD Charles Bates Alfred R. Bonsignore, MD James E. Carnicelli William P. Clark, MD Arthur H. Diedrick, MD Alfred S. Mitrione John P. O'Leary Arthur Pagano, Jr. William Schraft, Jr., MD John J. Vesce, MD Chester T. Williams Edward Williams	President Vice President
1985	John A. Ramsdell, MD John Allen Douglas Aspros, DVM Alfred R. Bonsignore, MD James E. Carnicelli William P. Clark, MD Alfred S. Mitrione Arthur Pagano, Jr. William Schraft, Jr. , MD Stephen Tenore John J. Vesce, MD Chester T. Williams Edward Williams	President Vice President
1986	John A. Ramsdell, MD John Allen	President

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	Douglas Aspros, DVM Alfred R. Bonsignore, MD James E. Carnicelli Alfred S. Mitrione Harry J. Pedlow, Jr. William Schraft, Jr., MD Stephen Tenore Chester T. Williams Edward Williams	Vice President
1987	John A. Ramsdell, MD John Allen Douglas Aspros, DVM Alfred R. Bonsignore, MD James E. Carnicelli Anthony Maddalena Alfred S. Mitrione Harry J. Pedlow, Jr. William Schraft, Jr., MD Stephen Tenore Patricia Vesce Chester T. Williams Edward Williams	President Vice President
1988-1989	John A. Ramsdell, MD John Allen Douglas Aspros, DVM Alfred R. Bonsignore, MD James E. Carnicelli Anthony Maddalena Alfred S. Mitrione William Schraft, Jr., MD Stephen Tenore Patricia Vesce Chester T. Williams Edward Williams	President
1990	John A. Ramsdell, MD Douglas Aspros, DVM Alfred R. Bonsignore, MD James E. Carnicelli Anthony Maddalena Michael Maimone Alfred S. Mitrione	President

William Schraft, Jr., MD
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Patricia Vesce
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	Michael Maimone Adrienne Madello Mecca Mary Ellen McGurty Suzanne R. Swanson	
1994	Douglas G. Aspros, DVM James E. Carnicelli Robert H. Baker, MD Jeffrey M. Brensilver, MD Larry D. Harris Mary Beth Landy Anthony M. Maddalena Michael Maimone Mary Ellen McGurty Alfred S. Mitrione Suzanne R. Swanson	President Vice President
1995	Douglas G. Aspros, DVM James E. Carnicelli Robert H. Baker, MD Alexander Blum Jeffrey M. Brensilver, MD Mary Beth Landy Anthony M. Maddalena Mary Ellen McGurty Suzanne R. Swanson Harry Zourdos	President Vice President
1996	[information not located]	
1997-1999	Douglas G. Aspros, DVM James E. Carnicelli Robert H. Baker, MD Alexander Blum Jeffrey M. Brensilver, MD Stanley Brownstein Norma Dreyfus Mary Beth Landy Anthony M. Maddalena Mary Ellen McGurty Eulahlee M. Myers Suzanne R. Swanson Harry Zourdos	President Vice President

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2000	Douglas G. Aspros, DVM James E. Carnicelli Robert H. Baker, MD Jeffrey M. Brensilver, MD Stanley Brownstein William Davis Norma Dreyfus Mary Beth Landy Anthony M. Maddalena Mary Ellen McGurty Paul R. Packer Suzanne R. Swanson Harry Zourdos	President Vice President
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2002	Douglas G. Aspros, DVM James E. Carnicelli Robert H. Baker, MD Jeffrey M. Brensilver, MD Stanley Brownstein William Davis Peter Liebert Anthony M. Maddalena Mary Ellen McGurty Suzanne R. Swanson Harry Zourdos	President Vice President
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2004	Douglas G. Aspros, DVM James E. Carnicelli	President Vice President

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2005	Douglas G. Aspros, DVM James E. Carnicelli Harold Adel, MD Robert H. Baker, MD Jeffrey M. Brensilver, MD William Davis Peter Liebert, MD Anthony M. Maddalena Mary Ellen McGurty Ruth Merkatz, RN, PhD Nancy Seligson Andrea Stewart-Cousins Harry Zourdos	President Vice President
2006	Douglas G. Aspros, DVM James E. Carnicelli Harold Adel, MD Robert H. Baker, MD Jeffrey M. Brensilver, MD William Davis Richard Klein, MD Peter Liebert, MD Anthony M. Maddalena Mary Ellen McGurty Ruth Merkatz, RN, PhD Nancy Seligson Andrea Stewart-Cousins	President Vice President
2007	Douglas G. Aspros, DVM James E. Carnicelli Harold Adel, MD Robert H. Baker, MD Jeffrey M. Brensilver, MD	President Vice President

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	William Davis Judith Myers Richard Klein, MD Peter Liebert, MD Anthony M. Maddalena Mary Ellen McGurty Ruth Merkatz, RN, PhD Nancy Seligson	
2008	Douglas G. Aspros, DVM James E. Carnicelli Harold Adel, MD Robert H. Baker, MD William Davis Richard Klein, MD Peter Liebert, MD Anthony M. Maddalena Mary Ellen McGurty Ruth Merkatz, RN, PhD Judy Meyers Nancy Seligson John Spicer	President Vice President
2009	Douglas G. Aspros, DVM James E. Carnicelli Harold Adel, MD Robert H. Baker, MD William Davis Richard Klein, MD Peter Liebert, MD Anthony M. Maddalena Mary Ellen McGurty Ruth Merkatz, RN, PhD Judy Meyers R. Steven Nakashima Nancy Seligson	President Vice President
2010	Douglas G. Aspros, DVM James Carnicelli Harold Adel, MD Robert H. Baker, MD William Davis Richard Klein, MD Peter S. Liebert, MD	President Vice President

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	Mary Ellen McGurty Anthony Maddalena Ruth Merkatz, RN, PhD Judith Meyers R. Steven Nakashima Nancy Seligson	
2011	Douglas G. Aspros, DVM R. Steven Nakashima Robert H. Baker, MD Edward Brancati James Carnicelli Cynthia Chazotte, MD William Davis Peter S. Liebert, MD Mary Ellen McGurty Anthony Maddalena Ruth Merkatz, RN, PhD Judy Meyers Nancy Seligson	President Vice President
2012	[Information not available]	
2013	Douglas G. Aspros Robert H. Baker Edward W. Brancati James Carnicelli Cynthia Chazotte William Davis Peter S. Liebert Anthony Maddalena Mary Ellen McGurty Ruth Merkatz R. Stephen Nakashima John Tesone Alfreda Williams	President
2014	Douglas G. Aspros, DVM R. Steven Nakashima Edward W. Brancati James Carnicelli Cynthia Chazotte, MD William Davis Peter S. Liebert, MD	President Vice President

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