

Creating Healthy Schools and Communities

1 INITIATIVE

Creating Healthy Schools and Communities (CHSC) is a five-year (2015-2020) public health initiative to reduce major risk factors of obesity, diabetes, and other chronic diseases in 85 high-need school districts and associated communities statewide. The New York State Department of Health (NYSDOH) has funded local organizations and county health departments. The goal is to implement multi-component evidence-based policies, place-based strategies, and promising practices to increase demand for and access to healthy, affordable foods and opportunities for daily physical activity for all New Yorkers. The Obesity Prevention Center for Excellence (OPCE), led by JSI Research & Training Institute, Inc. (JSI) strengthens the CHSC Initiative's collective impact by providing technical assistance, training, resources, and a network to collaborate.



7 STRATEGIES

- 1. Revise, implement, and assess local wellness policies to improve the school environment.
- 2. Establish Comprehensive School Physical Activity Programs (CSPAP).
- Increase access to healthy, affordable foods and increase school districts' ability to meet federal nutrition standards for foods sold outside of school meals.
- Restrict food marketing to children.

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- Increase access to healthy, affordable foods in communities.
- Increase adoption and use of food standards and procurement policies that increase healthy foods in community sites and settings.
- Adopt and implement Complete Streets policies, plans, and practices to increase access to opportunities to walk, bike, and roll.

26 GRANTEES

Chautauqua County Health Network, Inc.
Cornell Cooperative Extension of Niagara
Erie 1 Board of Cooperative Educational Services
Finger Lakes Health Systems Agency
Genesee-Livingston-Steuben-Wyoming BOCES*

Capital

Broome County Health Department
Oneida-Herkimer-Madison BOCES
Onondaga County Health Department

Fund for Public Health in New York, Inc.*

The Institute for Family Health

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> Cornell Cooperative Extension of Sullivan County Nepperhan Community Center, Inc. County of Orange Rockland County Department of Health Western Suffolk BOCES*

> > *Organization has multiple grants JSI is one of the 26 grantees