

# Master Plan for Aging Town Hall

**September 8, 2023  
10 a.m. to 12 p.m.**

**Buffalo Town Hall at Amherst Senior Center  
370 John James Audubon Parkway  
Amherst, NY 14228**



**Master Plan  
for Aging**



# Welcome

- Opening Remarks
- What is the Master Plan for Aging?
- Why Does New York Need a Master Plan for Aging?
- Master Plan for Aging Organizational Structure
- List of Subcommittees
- Cross-cutting Themes
- Community Comments
- Ongoing Engagement:  
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# Governor Hochul signed an Executive Order on November 4, 2022 calling for the creation of a State Master Plan for Aging to...



Create a **blueprint of strategies** for government, the private sector, and non-profit sector to support older New Yorkers



**Address challenges** related to communication, coordination, caregiving, long-term financing, and innovative care



**Coordinate all State policy** and programs



With the goal of having all older New Yorkers "live **fulfilling lives**, in **good health**, with **freedom, dignity and independence** to **age in place** for as long as possible"

# Why does New York need a Master Plan for Aging?

By 2030, 1 in 4 people in New York will be aged 60 years or over.

The Master Plan for Aging builds off our State's successes in healthy aging, emphasizing aging in place and improving the lived experience for all ages.



# All New Yorkers deserve a fair chance to live not only a long life, but also a healthy and vibrant one

New York is the first Age Friendly State in the Nation. The Department of Health and the State Office for Aging have together supported complementary missions of fostering policy, programs, and services that meet the needs of older New Yorkers and people with disabilities.



# Master Plan's Bold Agenda



Factors that impact health  
including transportation  
and housing



Rising use of healthcare  
services as people age



Medicaid and Medicare  
funding



Healthcare workforce  
challenges



Meaningful choice and  
remaining in community



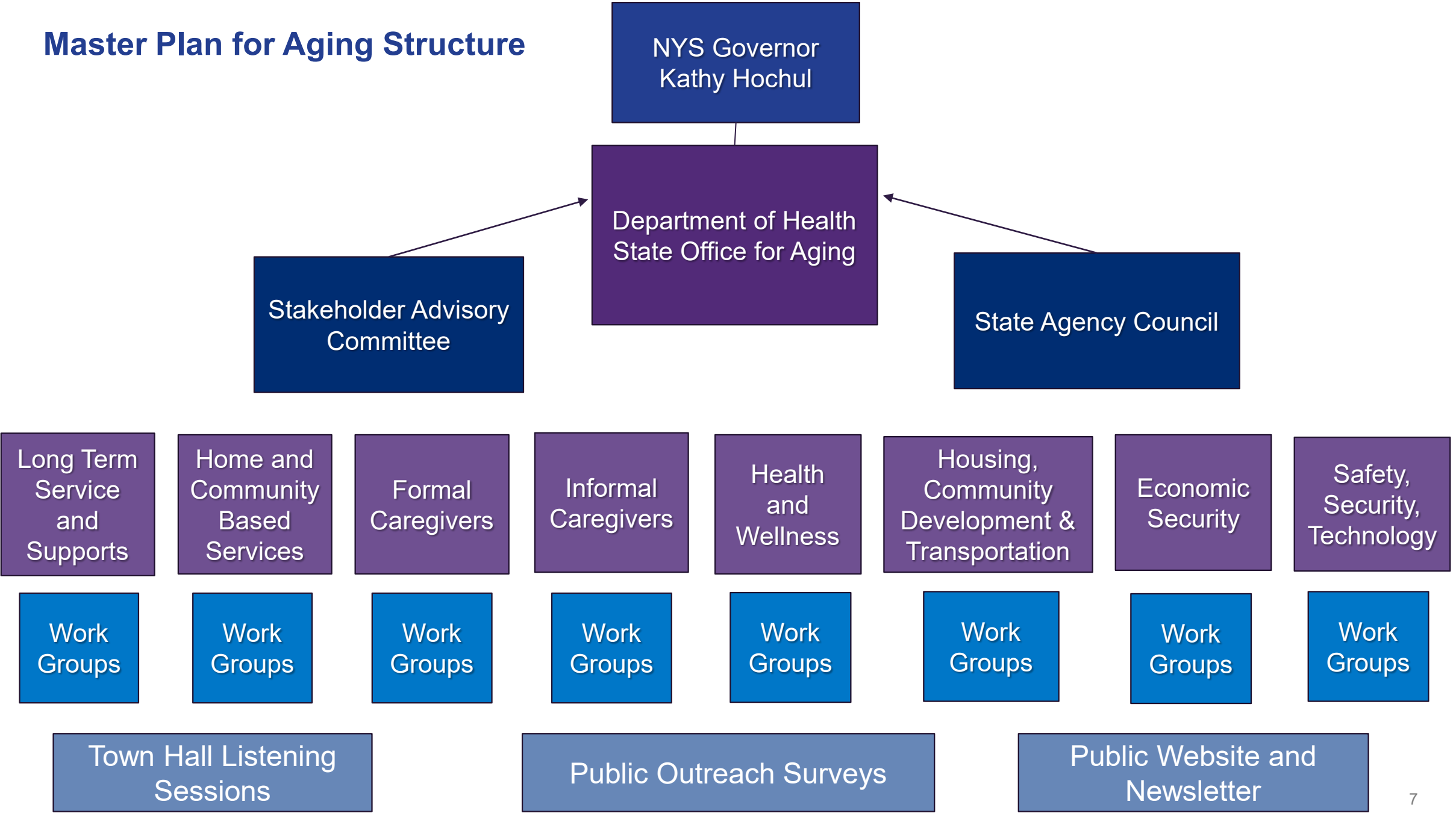
Family caregivers

# Lay the foundation for change to the aging landscape for the long haul

- Integrated and age friendly community health systems
- Seamless system of care across settings
- Public-private partnerships to support aging in place
- Person-centered planning
- Fair pay and appropriate working conditions
- Increased access to information about services and supports
- Expanded availability of services



# Master Plan for Aging Structure



# Subcommittees

The following subcommittees have been created:

1. Long Term Services and Supports
2. Home and Community-Based Services
3. Informal Caregivers
4. Formal Caregivers
5. Health and Wellness
6. Housing, Community Development, and Transportation
7. Safety, Security, and Technology
8. Economic Security

# Foundational Pillars to Support the MPA

1. Housing access and community planning
2. Informal caregiver and workforce support
3. Affordability of basic necessities for older adults
4. Access to services in and engagement with historically marginalized communities
5. Modernization and financial sustainability of healthcare, residential facilities, and community-based aging network service providers
6. Social engagement of older adults
7. Promoting health and access to services and supports in rural communities
8. Combating elder abuse, ageism, and ableism
9. Technology access and development
10. Prevention and wellness promotion and access

The MPA Subcommittees will develop recommendations that are linked to each of these pillars.

Expected  
Timeline for  
Development  
of Master Plan  
for Aging



# Community Comments

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## How can you help to develop the Master Plan?

Communities will have an opportunity to share input through:

- A Public Survey at <https://forms.ny.gov/s3/mpasurvey>
  - Note: Additional language translations are actively being added
- Town Hall and Listening Session Meetings
  - Visit the MPA website for a current listing of upcoming events
- Emails to [MPATownHall@health.ny.gov](mailto:MPATownHall@health.ny.gov)
- MPA website: [www.ny.gov/mpa](http://www.ny.gov/mpa)



## NEW YORK STATE'S MASTER PLAN FOR AGING

**“All New Yorkers  
deserve to age  
in their community  
with dignity  
and independence.”**

Governor Kathy Hochul

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