

# CEWD TODAY!

Get Trained. Get Hired. Newsletter from Hostos Community College



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## Helping NYC Recover from the Pandemic

CEWD continues to help support New York City's effort to recover from the pandemic. Hostos and LaGuardia Community College received funding from The New York Community Trust and CUNY's Center for the Future of Work to support CUNY's NYC Accelerated Recovery Hub. This program will help low-income New Yorkers upended by the COVID-19 pandemic, who live primarily in the Bronx and Queens. Hostos CEWD plans to train 200 New Yorkers over an 18-month period. We are providing the following workforce training opportunities at no-cost to students: Clinical Nursing Assistant, Patient Care Technician, Clinical Medical Administrative Assistant, and Medical Billing and Coding. There is still time to enroll in this free training program. To learn more, please visit <https://bit.ly/NYR2022>

**Hostos ranked 6th**  
among 22 community colleges in New York for  
**"Best for Workforce Education"**  
(Fall 2022)

## Expanding CEWD's Community Health Worker (CHW) Training Programs



Hostos CEWD received a \$3 million dollar grant from the US Department of Health and Human Services (HRSA) to train 270 new and/or incumbent workers in total over three years as Community Health Workers. Hostos CEWD's long-term goal is to increase the number of skilled CHWs locally and regionally and create an industry "gold standard" for training CHWs. By 2025, Hostos CEWD will have trained over 550 CHWs thanks to the financial support we have received from HRSA's Bureau of Health Workforce, the Robinhood Foundation, and the Mother Cabrini Foundation. This funding allows us to offer CHW training programs at no-cost to our students.

## Helping CEWD Students Enroll in College

CEWD alumni receive a special scholarship that helps them pay for their associate's degree at Hostos. To date, the Hostos Mackenzie Scott Adult and Continuing Education Scholarship, which is now in its third semester, has been awarded to 19 CEWD alumni, and 11 of these students had their scholarship renewed for another semester because they earned a 3.0 or higher GPA. The scholarship is granted each year to students who complete a continuing education program and/or workforce certificate at Hostos and then enroll at the college in a degree program. This semester's scholarship recipients include: Regina Galley, Kacey Witter, Stephanie Oliveira de Araujo, Maryury Lainez, Maria Pera, Felix Taveras, Shaquana Barr, Oumou Djikine, and Alexandra Martinez. Hostos President Cocco De Filippis welcomed the Fall 2022 recipients at a breakfast reception in the President's Office. President Cocco De Filippis congratulated the students and presented them with a certificate recognizing their achievement.

**CEWD alumni are enrolling in college degree programs and graduating from Hostos.**

- In Spring 2022, 121 CEWD alumni graduated from Hostos with an associate's degree.
- In Fall 2022, 42 CEWD alumni enrolled as freshman at Hostos.

Your work experience may qualify you to earn college credit at Hostos.

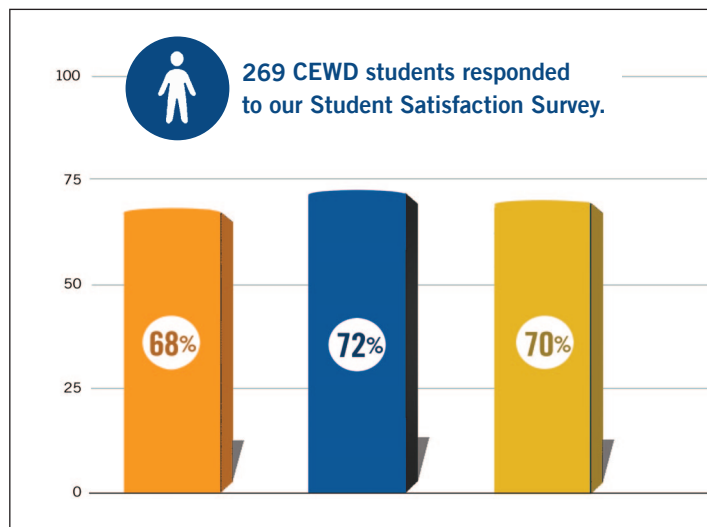
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# The Division of Continuing Education & Workforce Development



## Student Feedback

The majority of CEWD students are satisfied with our courses and would recommend our program to friends, family, and/or colleagues. Two hundred and sixty-nine (269) CEWD students responded to our Student Satisfaction Survey. Sixty-eight percent (68%) reported being very satisfied with the CEWD courses they took at Hostos. Seventy-two percent (72%) found it either very easy or easy to contact CEWD staff with questions or concerns about their courses and/or certificate programs. Seventy percent (70%) indicated they were very likely to recommend CEWD to friends, family, or colleagues.



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Very likely to recommend CEWD to friends, family, or colleagues

## CEWD Student Spotlight

**Darshaneedavi “Darshanee” Seepaul** graduated from CEWD’s Certified Patient Care Technician (PCT) training program in Spring 2022. Upon earning her Certified Nursing Assistant certificate, she gained three additional nationally-recognized credentials in healthcare to become a PCT.

Darshanee is currently employed as a Patient Care Associate. She is enrolled in the Community Health degree program at Hostos and is scheduled to graduate in Spring 2023. As a degree student, Darshanee received Hostos Community College’s Manos a La Obra award for her contributions to the community and her peers.

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