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New Hope Community Welcomes Two New Board Members

Loch Sheldrake, N.Y.— [New Hope Community](https://www.newhopecommunity.org) is proud to announce the appointments of Jerry Dunlavey and Robert Goss to its board of directors. New Hope Community is a not-for-profit organization providing person-centered services and supports for people with intellectual and other developmental disabilities.

“The work, support, and expertise of the board of directors play an important role in our efforts to continue the positive trajectory of the important work at New Hope Community,” said Chief Executive Officer Debra McGinness. “We are excited to welcome two strong individuals to our board leadership and I look forward to their contributions to help advance our mission.”

The board members were approved for an initial two-year term at the March 9th board meeting and can serve a maximum of six years.

The two new board members are:

- **Jerry Dunlavey, Chief Executive Officer, Garnet Health Medical Center – Catskills and Vice President of Operations Garnet Health System**
Mr. Dunlavey has more than 25 years of healthcare leadership experience. In 2023 he was appointed Chief Executive Officer of Garnet Health Medical Center - Catskills and is responsible for the safe and effective delivery of healthcare services of Garnet Health’s two Sullivan County hospitals located in Harris and Callicoon. As Vice President of Operations for Garnet Health System, Mr. Dunlavey serves as the health system executive leader of clinical service line development and professional services. He plays an integral role in clinical service line integration between the health system’s employed medical group, private medical staff, and its member hospitals. Mr. Dunlavey is a board member of the Sullivan County Partnership for Economic Development and an ex-officio member of the Sullivan County Chamber of Commerce board of directors.
- **Robert Goss, New Hope Community resident**
Mr. Goss moved into New Hope Community in November of 2007 and transitioned to his current residence in June of 2020. Rob enjoys going to Without Walls (WOW) Day Program and doing activities with the staff and his peers. His favorite WOW activity is going to the movies. Mr. Goss also enjoys playing basketball and takes great pride in being on the New Hope Knights Special Olympics team. In Rob’s free time, he enjoys playing video games and rapping when he is at home.

Photo Captions:

Jerry Dunlavey, Chief Executive Officer, Garnet Health Medical Center- Catskills and Vice President of Operations Garnet Health System
Robert Goss, New Hope Community resident

About New Hope Community:

Established in 1975, New Hope Community is a not-for-profit providing supports for individuals with intellectual and other developmental disabilities. Recognized today as a leading provider in the human services field, the organization maintains a person-centered approach and actively advocates for individual choice in a person's efforts to live, work and participate fully in his or her community. Its breadth of services includes clinical and nursing care, residential services, day programming, community habilitation, self-direction, support brokers, service navigators, education, recreation and leisure activities, a robust supported employment program, summer programs for youths, and much more.

In 2020, New Hope Community merged with Select Human Services, Inc. (SHS) of Pleasantville, NY, a not-for-profit voluntary agency providing services in Westchester, Putnam, and Rockland Counties. The combined organization provides services to more than 700 people and employs more than 1,000 staff.

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