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Organiza		CitiWide Harm Reduction Pr	rogram d/b/a BOOM	!Health Affiliate				~ The VAP Exception relies heavily on the statement you provide, so please be concise and thorough~
		Bronx-Lebanon Hospital Center					•	You chose the qualification i, in the space below please include:
		luated in the context of the					•	
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		I and VII of the instructions	ior turther clarification	OH!				include descriptions of the geographic area, the population, and how the services in this community are insufficient
-	ovider Type:						▼	without your organization's involvement given the PPS current configuration of network providers.  b. A description of the applicant's organization, the services provided, and how the services will enhance the
Provider T	Type - Other:	Harm Reduction Counseling			al hepa			network of services for the PPS in this community (ies).
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	e Identifiers:							,
	gency Code:							Character Count: 2597
BIIII	ing Entity ID:	Address		City		State	Zip	CitiWide Harm Reduction Program (d/b/a BOOM!Health Affiliate) operates a continuum of care that is designed to address the multi-faceted
	Address	226 E. 144th Street	Broi			NY	10451	health and psychosocial needs of persons dealing with addiction, HIV/AIDS, homelessness, behavioral disorders, and chronic illnesses. In a safe
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Contact		dent / Chief Program Officer 640-6274	Г	Extension	,			experience with linking HIV positive individuals to health care and provides participants with a safe space with its onsite drop-in center where participants can congregate throughout the day. CitiWide also offers co-located health services in partnership with a Federally Qualified Health
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II. Appeal Ap						_	VI. Restricted to 3500 Characters only!
Organiz	ation Name:	CitiWide Harm Reduction Pr	rogram (d/b/a BO	OM!Health)			Please put any additional notes below that you feel are relevent. This section is optional for 1915i providers.
OPTIONA	L Joined PPS:	Amida Care, Inc.					I am hereby requesting approval as a safety net entity as I have been approved by
		7,11,1100 000101 1100					OMH/OASAS/DOH as a likely agency to participate in delivering 1915i Medicaid services to
							the DSRIP attributed patient population.
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Bill	ing Entity ID:						4
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Contac	t Email rcord	lero@boomhealth.org					GitiWide Harm Reduction to have a 82% linkage to care rate with a difficult to engage population, while achieving improved health outcomes.
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OPTIONA	L Joined PPS:	St. Barnabas Hospital (dba SBH He	ealth System)				I am hereby requesting approval as a safety net entity as I have been approved by
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# State of New York Department of Health Delivery System Reform Incentive Payment (DSRIP) Program Vital Access Provider Exception Form

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Organiza	ation Name:	Lower East Side Harm Redu	ction Center					Please put any additional notes below that you feel are relevent. This section is optional for 1915i providers.
OPTIONAL	L Joined PPS:	Select PPS					•	I am hereby requesting approval as a safety net entity as I have been approved by
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	0 7	Address		City		State	Zip	on behalf of the Lower East Side Harm Reduction Center's (LESHRC) Board of Directors, staff and clients, we are formally requesting designation
	Address:	25 Allen Street		New York		NY	10002	a DSRIP "Vital Access Provider" as LESHRC is in a pending CMS-approval status category of bulk exceptions as a OASAS1915i provider and is alreaded
	County:			Manhattan				on the State Pending Safety Net OASAS 1915i Provider List.
III. Appeal Po	int of Conta	act						Lbwer East Side Harm Reduction Center is a culturally diverse, community-based, non-profit organization whose mission is to reduce the spread of HIV/AIDS, HCV and other drug-related harm among injection drug users and the community. Using a harm reduction philosophy, the center
	Person Ellen							provides programs that are based on the nonjudgmental acceptance of drug users, evidence-based health science, and human rights. We
		r, Board of Directors						accomplish this goal by offering practical strategies ranging from safer use to abstinence. In this supportive environment, we provide safe injectic
	Phone 646-			Ext	ension			equipment, information on HIV/AIDS, hepatitis, risk reduction strategies, and safer sex practices, mental health services, case management, and
		ı.Tuchman@nyu.edu						dverdose prevention. Ultimately, we aim to enhance the long-term well-being of our drug users and the community.  For over twenty years, LESHRC has provided services to participants and communities in need with the combined goal of reducing the transmissic
IV. Please cho	oose the fol	lowing 1915i Category:						of HIV, Hepatitis C and other drug related harm. In keeping with the harm reduction philosophy many services are characterized as "low-threshol
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								entitlements; harm reduction psychotherapy and counseling; substance use counseling; street outreach; health education and peer training
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Reduc	Ction 191511	Providers.					_	user stigma. Fear of judgment on the part of users and resistance to supporting what might be viewed as "drug-seeking-behavior" on the part of
								providers has only widened the divide between medical practitioners and community members who are at increased risk for HIV disease, Hepatit
								C and a host of other chronic conditions.
V. Percentage	of Medicaid	& Uninsured members that	your facility serv	/es				Although most LESHRC participants are Medicaid eligible, barriers to medical services both real and perceived as referenced above, continue to result in poor health outcomes when only accessible in traditional treatment settings. Accessing services in the confidential, non-judgmental
Γ								environment that LESHRC provides has the potential to increase access to care while simultaneously reducing Medicaid costs to the state with a
	Me	edicaid (FFS & MC)	Uni	nsured		Data Source	ce Year	broad range of harm reduction options offered in one location.
Percentage		90%		10%		AIRS	2014	It is essential that CMS approves NYSDOH's request to identify the Lower East Harm Reduction Center as a "Vital Access Provider" as LESHRC is a
· crecinage		30,0		2070		75	2014	vital part of New York State's strategy to achieve the triple aim of improved quality, improved health and reduced costs in New York State.
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Contact Email Elle	n.Tuchman@nyu.edu				overdose prevention. Ultimately, we aim to enhance the long-term well-being of our drug users and the community.
V. Please choose the fo	llowing 1915i Category:				Fpr over twenty years, LESHRC has provided services to participants and communities in need with the combined goal of reducing the transmis
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## VAP EXCEPTION FORM IS DUE 10/14/2014 - NO EXTENSIONS WILL BE GRANTED



# State of New York Department of Health Delivery System Reform Incentive Payment (DSRIP) Program Vital Access Provider Exception Form

<u>Vital Access Provider Exception</u>: The state will consider exceptions to the safety net definition on a case-by-case basis if it is deemed in the best interest of Medicaid members. Any exceptions that are considered must be approved by CMS and must be posted for public comment 30 days prior to application approval. Three allowed reasons for granting an exception are shown in Section IV.

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Answer	No					You have chosen the following VAP Exception: i
pplicant Infor	mation					VI. Restricted to 3500 Characters only! - Please read instructions for clarification!
ization Name:	St. Ann's Corner of Harm Red	duction				~ The VAP Exception relies heavily on the statement you provide, so please be concise and thorough~
Joined PPS:	Bronx-Lebanon Hospital Center					You chose the qualification i, in the space below please include:
xception is eva	uated in the context of the PI	PS you are joining	g. If you are joining mo	ore than one	PPS, you have the	<b>-</b>
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s. See <u>Section II</u>	and VII of the instructions fo	or further clarifica	ition!			include descriptions of the geographic area, the population, and how the services in this community are insufficient
Provider Type:	Other					without your organization's involvement given the PPS current configuration of network providers.
r Type - Other:	Harm Reduction Counseling F	Provider				b. A description of the applicant's organization, the services provided, and how the services will enhance the network
	Operating Certificate/L	License #	MMIS*		NPI*	of services for the PPS in this community (ies).
que Identifiers:	<u> </u>					c. Any supporting documentation to substantiate your narrative (attach as PDF in the email when submitting)
Agency Code:						
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	Address		City	State	Zip	This provider is in a pending CMS-approval status category of bulk exceptions as a Medicaid provider of Harm Reduction Counseling and Safety
Address	886 Westchester Avenue	Ві	ronx	NY		Net services.
oint of Conta	rt				* REQUIRE	a. St. Ann's Corner of Harm Reduction (SACHR) serves (injecting) drug users, their families, and other people at high risk for HIV, HCV, STDs.  Clients derive mainly from the South Bronx neighborhoods of Hunts Point/Mott Haven (41%), Highbridge/Morrisania (21%) and Crotona/Tremon
						[12%]. These neighborhoods are designated as High Poverty Level neighborhoods. Eighty percent of SACHR clients are Hispanic, 15% Black. They
						are often triple diagnosed with active substance use, psychopathology and chronic illness (i.e., HIV/AIDS, HCV, Asthma). Continuum of Drug Care
			Extension	1	307	& Treatment: Harm Reduction at its inception was meant as a drug treatment modality for users who were not able or ready for abstinence.
act Email bmaj	oor@sachr.org					Hence methadone maintenance treatment is an important Harm Reduction intervention. Since Bronx-Lebanon Hospital Center (BLHC) has a
hoose the foll	owing VAP Exception:				_	range of abstinence-oriented drug treatment options and Methadone Maintenance Treatment Programs (MMTP), SACHR can work closely with
community will	not be served without granting	ng the exception	because no other elig	ible provider	is willing or capabl	their programs and refer our participants who want MMTP or detox/treatment, while they can refer to us their participants that aren't ready for abstinence-oriented treatment yet but are often occupying expensive detox/treatment spots. This Stepped Care Model is aimed at decreasing
	_	0			0	unnecessary hospitalizations, including detox services and care for substance use related physical health conditions.
						b. SACHR is the second largest syringe exchange program (SEP) in New York City and a multi-service agency providing a continuum of
				ty, relationshi	ps within the	interventions that engage the whole person at whatever stage of wellness they are in. In addition to our SEP and street outreach, our center
nmunity, and/o	or clear track record of succes	s in reducing avoi	idable hospital use.			assists with basic needs, such as shower, food, clothing and a day-center. We offer a quiet sanctuary with stress-reduction services, such as
v state-designat	ed health home or group of h	health homes. **				acupuncture and yoga. We also provide educational workshops and mental health & substance use counseling. SACHR conducts HIV and HCV
						testing and referrals to treatment. Referral relationships with other service organizations give our clients choices – both in and outside of SACHR – as they make their journey toward a healthier and safer life. In 2013, SACHR provided 90,000 service units to 8,500 unique individuals which
		_				makes it a true portal into care. BLHC and SACHR are exploring a pro-active partnership that will include psychiatric and mental health services,
•				ramine Ap	pear Applicant	primary medical care, OB/GYN and prenatal care, integrating recovery, treatment and prevention of risky drug use behaviors, and housing access
				d Health Hon	nes and Network	SACHR is a designated opioid overdose prevention training institute and provides Naloxone kits. The overdose responder training will be provided
ment Agencies	(CMAs) that have already bee	en approved as sa	afety net providers as	well as those	that are pending	to teams and clients at BLHC. The effectiveness of the collaboration will be expressed in easy referrals back and forth along the drug care
						continuum that BLHC and SACHR have created, co-location of medical and psychiatric services at the SACHR offices to enhance the one stop
					• •	shopping model, and in further sharing of resources. Ultimate goal is to strengthen the safety net and the therapeutic milieu that stabilizes SACHR's clients which will improve their behavioral health, and enhance their treatment readiness.
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