



## **Commission on Health Care Facilities in the 21st Century**

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Welcome to the Web site for the Commission on Health Care Facilities in the 21st Century. The Commission has been charged with rightsizing the health care delivery system in New York State. Our work continues a review of New York State's health care industry that stems from Governor Pataki's 2004 health care reform working group initiative.

While New York has a large and sophisticated health care system, major improvements are needed. Statewide and regional occupancy levels at both hospitals and nursing homes are low, and declining further. Valuable and scarce resources are being misallocated to institutions that do not optimally serve New Yorkers. We need to get better results for what we spend. We need to stabilize and improve the efficiency of our health care delivery system, and to ensure that all New Yorkers have access to high quality medical care.

The Commission's work will improve the lives of every New Yorker. This site contains a great deal of information and will be a valuable public resource. On behalf of the Commission members, I encourage you to be an active participant in this important undertaking.

Sincerely

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Stephen Berger', with a long horizontal flourish extending to the right.

Stephen Berger  
Chairman