



## Memorandum of Understanding CEK RN Consulting, Inc., and Special Olympics New York

This Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) sets forth the terms and understanding between CEK RN Consulting, Inc., (CEK) and Special Olympics New York

## **Background**

The purpose of this agreement is to acknowledge the collaborative relationship between, and outline the cooperative efforts of, the above-named agencies to coordinate and integrate services with a particular focus on Special Olympics New York athletes with intellectual disabilities. This collaboration will support both agencies' ability to meet the essential needs of clients and reach a segment of the population that is underrepresented and marginalized. Both agencies agree to maintain and strengthen linkages in order to assess appropriate client care and to better serve our communities. Staff of both agencies will document services provided and conduct follow-up as necessary.

## **CEK RN Consulting agrees to:**

- Promote clients' health and wellness by offering community education, advocacy and health literacy information. CEK's services include:
  - · Accompanying clients to their appointments.
  - Providing information to help clients understand their health care challenges, diagnoses, medications, and medical providers' recommendations and how best to follow the treatment and/or discharge plans.
  - Helping clients prepare for their medical appointments including how to ask questions of their providers.
  - Reviewing questions or concerns the clients have after their appointments and ensuring that they understand their treatment and/or discharge plans.
- Accept referrals of eligible individuals from Special Olympics New York
- Promote Learning and Education to include:
  - Creating Inclusive Health Opportunities for People with Intellectual Disabilities
  - Completing Special Olympics Learning Portal Courses
  - Attending Special Olympics New York Annual Health Summit
  - Volunteering at Special Olympics New York State Games and other local events
  - Meeting and interacting with athletes to make them aware of CEK services





- Communicating effectively with athletes
- As appropriate, engage in case conferencing, collaborative meetings, and strategic planning related to strengthening the partnership and/or improving services to clients

## **Special Olympics New York agrees to:**

- Provide training to CEK staff to ensure that they understand intellectual disabilities and offer appropriate services to Special Olympics New York athletes
- Provide access to the Special Olympics Training Portal Courses
- Coordinate and refer Special Olympics' athletes in need of services offered by CEK RN Consulting, Inc. as resources permit
  - As appropriate, engage in case conferencing, collaborative meetings, and participate in strategic planning related to strengthening the partnership and/or improving services to clients

CEK RN Consulting, Inc. and Special Olympics New York agree that they will develop a joint announcement of this partnership to be distributed to each organization's partners and through social media.

CEK RN Consulting, Inc. and Special Olympics of New York agree to participate in each other's health advocacy events; i.e., Special Olympics State Games, and CEK RN Consulting, Inc.'s Health Empowerment Conference to be held in October each year.

This agreement will be valid and active once signed by both parties and may be terminated by either party with 30 days written notice.

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