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A Season of Firsts



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Upcoming Community Events
& Now Open and Serving the Long Island
ID/DD Community



Employee Spotlight

SVETLANA TRAMANTANO

Pharmacy Technician

Ask Svetlana Tramantano what she enjoys most about her job and the list does not stop. She likes the computers. She likes working with medications and learning new ones. She likes how fast things move in the new pharmacy. And she genuinely likes the people, especially the appreciation she hears back from the customers she serves.

"I enjoy every minute of the work. I like the computers, working with the medications, learning new medications, how fast I'm able to get stuff done in the new pharmacy, and especially all the appreciation from the customers."

- Svetlana Tramantano, Pharmacy Technician, Kinexion LTC Pharmacy

This is Svetlana's first time working in an ID/DD pharmacy. Before this, she worked in retail pharmacy, and she says the difference has been a welcome one. "It's a little different, but it's more communication. It's easy to communicate with us, deliveries get done for people, people call and ask for advice. I love that it's so much more community based. Helping people who need it most is amazing. We don't just deliver their medication, we know them, and we make sure we always deliver on time."

Outside The Pharmacy

When she is not at the pharmacy, Svetlana loves being on the beach and swimming, but her nine year old granddaughter is where her heart really is. Svetlana loves spending as much time with her as she can, cheering her on at drama class and baton class, catching every performance she can get to, and making regular trips to the local library together.



Thank you, Svetlana.

Kinexion is better because you are on the team.



A LETTER FROM THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

Here's to a Full Summer

This is our first summer with the doors open, and it has been something to watch. Agency partners planning cookouts, day trips, and outings, and our team getting to be part of that from day one. That is exactly the kind of thing we built this pharmacy to be close to.

Summer schedules fill up fast, and busy is good. But busy also means people are outside more, moving more, and sometimes not thinking about the basics until they are already overheated or sunburned. So here is the practical part: water within reach, sunscreen reapplied more than people think they need to, and a real break in the shade when it gets hot. Small habits, but they are the ones that keep the fun going.

We built this pharmacy to pay close attention to the details that matter, and that does not take a summer off. If your team has questions about medications and heat sensitivity, or anything else, as the season picks up, we are right here.

Here is to a full, busy, well protected summer.



Always in your corner,

Glenn Schiotis
Executive Director
Kinexion LTC Pharmacy
*"Built by the community,
for the community."*

Have an event coming up? **We want to be there. Reach out to Glenn directly:**

Email: gschiotis@kinexionltcpharmacy.com

Phone: (631) 509-1470

Community Events

There are some amazing events on the calendar this summer and fall, and we want to be there for all of it. Here is what is happening across the community.

If you have an event coming up, we want to support it! Please email Glenn directly with any details at gschiotis@kinexionltparmacy.com

1st Annual Benefit Golf Classic

Long Island Select Healthcare (LISH Care)

Date: Monday, August 3, 2026

Location: Nissequogue Golf Club, St. James, NY

LISH Care is hosting its very first Annual Benefit Golf Classic this summer, and Kinexion LTC Pharmacy is proud to be part of the golf committee. We hope to see many of you there

in support of an organization doing critical work for our shared community.



Scan the QR code to register, or contact Dottie Denunzio at ddenunzio@nhrny.org or 845-473-3000 x1322.

IGHL's 36th Annual Golf Outing

Independent Group Home Living (IGHL)

Date: Monday, September 14, 2026

Location: Westhampton Country Club

IGHL has been providing services to people with intellectual disabilities across Suffolk County for over 40 years. Their annual golf outing at the prestigious Westhampton Country Club is one of the community's most

beloved events, raising funds that go directly toward residential, day habilitation, and family support programs.



Scan the QR code to register or sponsor. More info at ighl.givecloud.co/ighl-golf-outing-2026 or contact Jeremy Grand at JGrand@ighl.org or 631-878-8900 ext. 1392.

Angela's House Golf Outing

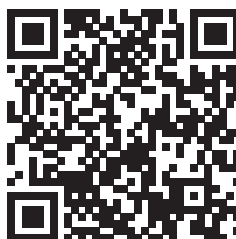
Angela's House

Date: Thursday, September 17, 2026

Location: Stonebridge Country Club

Angela's House provides home care and support for medically fragile children and adults with disabilities across Long Island. Their annual Arthur & William J. Pace Memorial

Golf Outing is a meaningful day on the course for a mission that touches families across the region, raising funds for medical supplies, therapeutic equipment, assistive technology, & other resources that make a real difference.



Scan the QR code to register or donate at angelashouse.rallybound.org/2026AHPacesGolfOuting

EEDA Golf Outing

East End Disability Associates (EEDA)

Date: Monday, October 5, 2026

Location: Westhampton Country Club

East End Disability Associates has served individuals with developmental disabilities on the East End of Long Island since 1992, founded by parents who believed every person deserves access to quality education,

medical care, and community life. Their golf outing supports programs serving over 750 individuals across the East End.



For registration and sponsorship details, contact EEDA directly at info@eed-a.org or 631-369-7345.

16th Annual Women's Empowerment Fashion Fling

Hosted by Kinexion

Date: Sunday, October 18, 2026

Location: Westhampton Country Club

Now in its 16th year, this event celebrates the strength, resilience, and accomplishments of women and girls with disabilities across the Kinexion network. The day features a fashion

show with community models in styles from Tanger Outlets, a formal luncheon, raffle baskets, and the Kinexion Network Women's Empowerment Grant presentation.



Scan the QR code for more information. Contact Christine Cassamassino at CCassamassino@kinexion.org or call 631-644-2353

NIS 50th Anniversary Cocktail Reception

The New Interdisciplinary School (NIS)

Date: Thursday, October 22, 2026

Location: Bellport Country Club

The New Interdisciplinary School is celebrating 50 years of providing exceptional educational and therapeutic services for children with autism and developmental disabilities. This milestone cocktail reception is a chance to honor five decades of impact and the extraordinary people who made it possible.

More details coming soon.





Now Open & Serving the Long Island ID/DD Community

We are so excited to share that Kinexion LTC Pharmacy officially opened its doors on July 20th, and we are now open and serving the ID/DD community of Long Island from our home in Port Jefferson Station.

Getting here took a lot of hands. Building a pharmacy from the ground up, one designed specifically around the needs of the ID/DD community, is not something any one person or team does alone. Every workflow, every training session, every late night spent getting the details right added up to this moment.

Thank you to our agency partners, who trusted us early and helped shape what this pharmacy would become. Thank you to the providers who welcomed us into their care teams and gave us the chance to prove ourselves. And thank you to our staff, whose work every single day is what actually makes any of this possible.

This pharmacy is whole because of all of you. We could not be more grateful, and we could not be more ready for what comes next.



A vertical photograph of the Statue of Liberty, showing her head, crown, and torch against a clear blue sky. The statue is green and appears to be made of copper.

New York's 2027 Budget

New York State's 2027 Fiscal Year budget is now enacted, and it includes real, meaningful investment in the people and programs so many of our partner agencies support every day. Here are a few highlights worth knowing about:

- OPWDD spending grows to over \$7.9 billion statewide, with nearly \$380 million in new resources this year alone.
- A 2.7% inflationary increase for voluntary operated providers, aimed at helping agencies manage rising costs and offer more competitive wages.
- A 5% rate increase for Family Care, one of OPWDD's most integrated residential options.
- \$30 million in new funding, growing to \$60 million annualized, to open new service opportunities for people entering the system or whose needs have changed.
- An additional \$15 million toward independent living housing development.
- A new \$5 million Assistive Technology Innovation Center to support research and startups building tools that help people with disabilities live independently.
- An enhanced Rent Freeze Program for seniors and people with disabilities, raising the income eligibility limit in New York City from \$50,000 to \$75,000, with similar options in Westchester, Nassau, and Suffolk counties.
- A new Adaptive Clothing Grant Program, backed by \$60,000 through the Fashion Innovation Center.

The budget also continues capital investment in the Institute for Basic Research in Developmental Disabilities on Staten Island and in Regional Disability Clinics expanding access to care.

For the full breakdown, visit opwdd.ny.gov and search "2027 Enacted Budget," or reach out to us with questions.

Switching Long Term Care Pharmacies

Can Seem Daunting.

We understand that if your facility is at a place to make the move, things are not going the way they should be. Our team members are experts at prescription transferring, facility/pharmacy transitioning, training, and making sure your pharmacy needs are met with excellence and consistency.

These are improvements your facility will notice when making the switch to Kinexion LTC Pharmacy:

There is no delay.

Your residents will receive their prescriptions when needed and on time.

A friendly voice.

We listen to your problems and do our best to solve them immediately.

LTC nurses can focus on patient care, not pharmacy issues.

We want your medical staff to do what they do best, care for patients. Your nursing administration staff should not have to worry about pharmacy problems or worry if prescriptions will be delivered.

Positive pharmacy experience.

Our team is here to serve your facility, your staff, and your residents. It is hard to put a value on excellent care until you do not have it.

Staff time is spent with residents.

We do not want your staff stuck on the phone trying to figure out where Medication Administration Records are, or when you will receive them. You can count on MARs to show up the same day every month with Kinexion LTC Pharmacy.

Training provided

We know the process of reordering medications can be burdensome. That is why we supply all of our new facility partners with ample training on our web portal to fit your needs. Here is what you can expect during the training process:

- Connecting our nurse consultants with your agency's nurses and staff on a Zoom call to introduce one another and the web portal.
- Weekly, monthly, or as-needed trainings.
- A training manual with detailed step-by-step directions of the web portal.
- Access to our nurse consultants and team to troubleshoot any questions.

With Kinexion LTC Pharmacy's web portal, reordering medications can be done in only 15 minutes each week!

Call Us Today to Discover the Difference in Your Pharmacy Care.

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