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**FEDERATION OF ORGANIZATIONS RECEIVES NY STATE GRANT
TO EXPAND “ASSERTIVE COMMUNITY TREATMENT”
SERVICES TO LONG ISLAND’S NORTH FORK**

SUFFOLK COUNTY, NY, January 31, 2017 – Federation of Organizations has been awarded a grant from the New York State Office of Mental Health to expand its Assertive Community Treatment (ACT) services to the North Fork of Long Island.

On January 1st, 2018, the new ACT Team began assembling their program to serve the eastern end of Long Island. The expanded ACT service will be able to care for 68 people in Suffolk County. Enrollment for these services will begin within the next few weeks.

ACT Teams are mobile units of professionals that go to the streets, to shelters, or into homes to provide services to people diagnosed with severe mental illness whose needs have not been met by traditional service delivery approaches.

“Many lives will be improved, thanks to this grant which will enable Federation of Organizations to provide needed services to individuals with serious mental challenges on the North Fork of Long Island,” said Jason Vandewater, Director of Clinical Services, Federation of Organizations.

Previously, one ACT Team served both Forks of Long Island.

“The North Fork has been an underserved area,” Vandewater said. “For individuals with disabilities, there were transportation issues and a lack of appropriate healthcare services in the area. Our new ACT Team will greatly enhance services to the North Fork.”

About Federation of Organizations

Federation of Organizations is a large, multi-faceted, not-for-profit human service agency that has been helping people to help themselves for over 40 years. To find out more about these programs, call 631-669-5355 extension 1106, or visit Federation’s website at www.fedoforg.org.

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