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**Harvey Rosenthal** serves as the executive director of the New York Association of Psychiatric Rehabilitation Services (NYAPRS), a peer-provider partnership that has been a leading state and national change agent for the past three decades. Mr. Rosenthal has over 43 years of experience working to promote public mental health policies and practices that advance the recovery, rehabilitation, rights, and full community inclusion of individuals with psychiatric disabilities and diagnoses. Under his leadership, NYAPRS's advocacy has helped to transform state and national mental health systems; increase access to community-based housing, employment, and peer support services; and advance recovery- and criminal justice-related mental health reforms. Mr. Rosenthal helped create several nationally acclaimed and replicated peer support, employment, and transformational training innovations. He works to fight discrimination and human rights violations and to advance informed choice protections, self-directed care, and cultural competence. Mr. Rosenthal's work has been recognized by numerous New York State and national groups, and he has received high honors from the Mental Health America, The College for Behavioral Health Leadership, the U.S. Psychiatric Rehabilitation Association, and the National Coalition for Mental Health Recovery. His interest in his work is personal, beginning with a psychiatric hospitalization at age 19.

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