



## HSC Chapter Chatter



[“The snow may slow the world, but determination never freezes.”]

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## Thank you!

Colleagues

As the holiday season embraces us with its warmth and cheer, we want to take a moment to reflect on the incredible year we have shared together. Your dedication, resilience, and unwavering commitment to excellence have been the backbone of our community here at Stony Brook Health Sciences.

This past year has posed numerous challenges, yet each of you has demonstrated extraordinary strength and solidarity. Whether working on the frontlines, supporting research, or providing essential services, your efforts have made a profound difference in the lives of patients, colleagues, and our greater

community. It is through your hard work and unity that we continue to uphold the highest standards of care and education.

As we celebrate this season of gratitude, we honor not only the professional accomplishments but also the spirit that binds us—our shared values, mutual respect, and the powerful voice of our union. Together, we have advocated for fair treatment, better working conditions, and a supportive environment where every member can thrive. Your voice matters, and your union stands strong because of your collective passion and perseverance.

Looking ahead to 2026, let us carry forward this momentum with renewed hope and determination. The coming year holds promise for growth, opportunity, and continued progress. Challenges will no doubt arise, but we are equipped with the strength of our community and the unyielding belief in our mission.

In 2026, let us embrace change as a catalyst for improvement. Let innovation be our guide, and collaboration our foundation. Together, we will strive not only to meet the demands of our evolving healthcare landscape but to lead with compassion, integrity, and excellence.

Remember, each of you is an essential part of this journey. Your voice, your dedication, and your spirit contribute to the remarkable story of our union and institution. As we step into the New Year, may you find inspiration in the knowledge that your work matters deeply. The care you provide, the knowledge you share, and the support you offer enrich our community and inspire those around you.

May this holiday season bring you joy, peace, and time with loved ones. Take pride in your accomplishments, and rest assured that together, we will continue to build a stronger, fairer, and more vibrant future.

Thank you for your commitment, your courage, and your heart. Here's to a bright and inspiring 2026 for all of us.

Happy Holidays and a Wonderful New Year!

In solidarity and gratitude,

**Bruce**

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## Consider Helping Members in Need!

As we approach year-end, please consider donating your accrued vacation days to colleagues in need who are facing long-term illnesses. Remember, any annual vacation days in excess of 40 in your bank will be forfeited after 12/31/25.

Your generous donation can make a meaningful difference, providing vital time and support to fellow employees during difficult times. Together, we can help each other thrive.

**Please complete any donations by December 30, 2025, in order for them to be processed before December 31.**

Thank you for your kindness and solidarity.

[Ricardo, Misciagna – Emergency Department](#)  
[Sabrina Vaccarello – 17 S Medical ICU \(MICU\)](#)  
[Stephanie Lapice - Outpatient Occupational Therapy](#)  
[Linda Pagano – operating room](#)  
[Victoria Latourrette - NICU](#)  
[James Stoner – Receiving courier services](#)

Every day donated is a tremendous help and comfort to those in need

Also, if you know of someone who might need leave donations due to an unforeseen extended illness, please pass on the form below for them to complete and return to Human Resources to evaluate for eligibility and processing.

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