**Calling Your State Representatives**

Each New Yorker is represented by the Governor and one Senator and Assemblymember.

Find your representative at: **www.accesscny.org/advocacy/**

1. **Thank you for participating in our advocacy efforts.** Making a call to your elected officials is easy and takes just a few minutes. You will speak to a staffer to share your views. They will ask for your name and address to verify your residency and then log your comments for the representative you called.
2. **We ask that you make calls to:**

The Governor at: 1-518-474-1041

Your State Senator:

 Senator Antonacci 1-518-455-3511

 Senator May: 1-518-455-2838

 Senator Ritchie: 1-585-455-3438

Your State Assemblymember:

 Assemblyman Gary Finch: 1-518-455-5878

 Assemblywoman Pamela Hunter: 1-518-455-5383

 Assemblyman William Magnarelli: 1-518-455-4826

 Assemblyman Al Stirpe: 1-518-455-4505

 Assemblyman Will Barclay: 315-455-5841

1. **On your call relay the following message and any personal details to make your case:**

Hi, this is \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_, from \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_I am calling as a community member/person with a disability/parent/staff member against Governor Cuomo’s proposal to eliminate the Consumer Directed Personal Assistance (CDPA) program as we know it. The program helps seniors and people with disabilities live independently in their own home and hire aides that help with daily living tasks. Changes to the program will result in more people needing nursing homes, which will reduce their independence and cost New York State more in the long run. Please stand against any proposed changes to the CDPA program.