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Open Door Family Medical Centers Named Finalist for the 2012 Nonprofit Excellence Awards The New York Community Trust and New York Magazine Announce 6 Finalists

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(Ossining, NY, October 4, 2012) – The New York Community Trust and New York Magazine announced on Wednesday that Open Door Family Medical Centers is one of the six finalists for the 2012 The New York Community Trust—New York Magazine Nonprofit Excellence Awards. Now in its sixth year, the Nonprofit Excellence Awards honor outstanding management practices and encourage innovation and communication among New York's large and diverse nonprofit community. Since 2007, the Nonprofit Coordinating Committee of New York (NPCC) and Philanthropy New York have managed this program, which is open to nonprofit organizations based in New York City, Long Island and Westchester. The 2012 Awards are also sponsored by New York Magazine and WNYC.

"Open Door is excited to have been named as a finalist and recognized for innovation and leading management and communication practices in our sector. We believe that meeting our mission efficiently and effectively is a significant aspect of our community stewardship. Our mission is to make sure that everyone, particularly the most vulnerable, have access to the best medical care," said Lindsay Farrell, President & CEO of Open Door.

A Selection Committee of 28 professionals from across New York City's nonprofit sector identified the six organizations from a pool of 10 semifinalists, itself drawn from an original group of 50 applicants. The 10 semifinalists submitted extensive applications addressing their respective approaches to specified areas of nonprofit excellence. Along with Open Door, the finalists are:

- Harlem RBI
- iMentor
- Red Hook Initiative
- Women's Housing and Economic Development Corp.
- YMCA of Greater New York

Each finalist will host a site visit in October during which Selection Committee members ask detailed questions about management practices. The Committee will then identify three winning organizations. On November 15, a total of \$40,000 will be awarded, with \$25,000 going to a Gold Prize winner for Overall Management Excellence, \$10,000 to a Silver Prize winner and \$5,000 to a Bronze Prize winner. Each winner also receives tuition scholarship to the Programs in Social Enterprise in Executive Education at Columbia Business School. The Best Practices Workshop and Awards Ceremony will take place at Citi's headquarters at 399 Park Avenue.

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Lorie A. Slutsky, president, The New York Community Trust (NYCT), which became lead sponsor of the awards program for the first time this year.

Additional financial and in-kind support this year is provided by The New York Community Trust, The Clark Foundation, Ford Foundation, McGladrey LLP, the Fund for the City of New York and the Programs in Social Enterprise at Columbia Business School Executive Education. For more information on the program, please visit http://npexcellence.fcny.org.

About Open Door Family Medical Centers

For 40 years, the federally qualified community health center has served a multi-cultural community and has provided top quality medical, dental care and social services to the Westchester community, particularly the economically disadvantaged. Open Door has four centers in Westchester located in Ossining, Port Chester, Mt. Kisco and Sleepy Hollow, and will open their first site in Putnam County in the Fall of 2012. In addition, Open Door operates five school-based health centers in Port Chester at The Edison Elementary School, Park Avenue School, Kennedy Magnet School, Port Chester Middle School and Port Chester High School. In 2011, 47,245 patients were treated at Open Door, making 208,622 patient visits. In the same year 14,520 children were treated. Funding for Open Door Family Medical Centers comes from local, state and federal grants as well as private foundations and individuals.

About New York Community Trust

Since 1924, The New York Community Trust has been the home of charitable New Yorkers who share a passion for the City—and who are committed to making it better. With our donors, past and present, we support an array of effective nonprofits that help make the City a vital and secure place in which to live and work, while building permanent resources for the future. The New York Community Trust ended 2011 with assets of \$1.9 billion in more than 2,000 charitable funds, and made grants totaling \$137 million. (www.nycommunitytrust.org)

About New York Magazine

New York Media is the parent company of the ground-breaking weekly New York magazine, founded in 1968; the up-to-the-minute news and service website nymag.com; the Grub Street network of food blogs; the entertainment and culture news site Vulture; and the twice-yearly *New York Weddings* magazine. (www.nymag.com)

<u>Nonprofit Coordinating Committee of New York</u> (NPCC) is the largest umbrella membership and service organization for nonprofits in the New York City area, serving some 1,500 organizations in the city, Long Island and Westchester. NPCC serves as the leading information source and voice for New York City area nonprofits on sector-wide issues, as well as a provider of support services and cost-saving programs for its members. NPCC informs and connects nonprofit leaders, saves nonprofits money, and strengthens the nonprofit sector by building positive relations with government and advocating effective, accountable and transparent nonprofit management and governance practices. (www.npccny.org)

<u>Philanthropy New York</u> is a nonprofit membership organization of 285 grant making foundations and corporations in the tri-state New York area and beyond. Its members award about \$3.9 billion annually to charitable organizations in New York and around the globe. Philanthropy New York seeks to strengthen philanthropy by offering programs and resources for valuable and strategic grant making. Its mission is to promote and support the practice of effective philanthropy for the public good. (www.philanthropynewyork.org)

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