

OPEN DOOR PRESIDENT & CEO NAMED 2011 NEW YORK STATE WOMAN OF DISTINCTION

Open Door Family Medical Centers' President and CEO Lindsay Farrell was recently named a 2011 New York State Woman of the Year by Senator Suzi Oppenheimer (D-Mamaroneck). Every year the NY Senate honors a select group of outstanding women who have enriched the quality of life in New York State.

In her opening remarks at the public ceremony in the State Capitol, Senator Oppenheimer praised Farrell for her "tireless efforts in making quality, affordable health care a reality for economically disadvantaged residents of Westchester County. Her dedication and vision has quite literally 'opened the door' to a brighter, healthier future for countless children and families."

Farrell recently celebrated her 25th Anniversary at Open Door. She was named President and Chief Executive Officer of Open Door in October, 1998. During her tenure (1986 – current) with the federally qualified community health center, Open Door has grown significantly with new sites, programs and award winning technologies that have more than doubled the number of low-income people served. A graduate of St. Lawrence University and the Lubin School of Business at Pace University, Ms. Farrell began her career at Open Door as a volunteer in 1984 and has served early on as Director of Operations and Director of Development in her long career with the organization.

"Lindsay Farrell believes passionately that access to medical care is a right, not a privilege," observed Senator Oppenheimer. "More than 40,000 patients have benefited from her commitment to that worthy goal. For her many contributions, Lindsay Farrell is truly our Woman of Distinction."

About Open Door Family Medical Centers

Open Door has received the highest Recognition as a Patient-Centered Medical Home™ (PPC-PCMH™) from the National Committee for Quality Assurance (NCQA). This ranking distinguishes them from medical practices across the nation as less than 12% are presently eligible to achieve this advanced standing. For 39 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. 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 2010, 43,505 patients were treated at Open Door, making 170,061 patient visits. In the same year 13,842 children were treated. Funding for Open Door Family Medical Centers comes from local, state and federal grants as well as private foundations and individuals.

