## Open Door Family Medical Centers Receives Grants to Continue Breast Health Programs from The Susan G. Komen for the Cure Greater NYC Affiliate and the Breast Cancer Alliance

Open Door Family Medical Centers recently received two grants to support their Patient Advocate's Breast Health Education, Outreach and Case Management Program. The Susan G. Komen for the Cure Greater NYC Affiliate gave \$100,000.00 and \$15,000.00 was given by the Breast Cancer Alliance.

Open Door's Breast Health Education, Outreach and Case Management Program encompasses culturally and linguistically appropriate support services that facilitate access to education, screening, diagnosis, and treatment for low-income, uninsured or underinsured, women of Westchester County that call Open Door their Medical Home.

Through the Breast Health Education, Outreach and Case Management Program in 2011-2012, Open Door hopes to serve 6,000 women ages 21 to 65 with outreach, education and annual clinical breast exams, and 3,000 women over age 40 with outreach, education, clinical breast exams and patient navigation services for mammograms. The grant money from Susan B. Komen and the Breast Cancer Alliance will support Patient Advocates at Open Door's four Westchester County sites. Patient Advocates help patients work with doctors, case managers, insurance companies, and others who have an effect on the patients' health. Open Door's Patient Advocate Program has become a national model for care as health centers around the country have asked for assistance in replicating their program.

## **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 serves 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. Over 13,842 children were treated during that same year. Funding for Open Door Family Medical Centers comes from local, state and federal grants as well as private foundations and individuals.

