

Open Door Family Medical Centers Receives National Recognition for Diabetes Care

Lindsay Farrell, CEO and President of Open Door Family Medical Centers announced that the organization has been recognized by the National Center for Quality Assurance (NCQA) for their excellence in treating patients with diabetes. The Diabetes Recognition Program (DRP) recognizes physicians and other clinicians who use evidence-based measures to provide excellent care to their patients with diabetes. Open Door centers in Ossining, Sleepy Hollow, Mount Kisco, and Port Chester all received the NCQA Recognition.

In order to be recognized by the program, Open Door had to demonstrate superior diabetes care which includes HbA1c control, blood pressure control, LDL control, eye examinations, nephropathy assessment, smoking status and smoking cessation advice or treatment. "Patients should feel confident that evidence-based diabetes care is provided consistently to every patient at Open Door. It is in this way that we deliver real value to the community," said Lindsay Farrell, President & CEO of the federally qualified community health center.

A statement from NCQA reads, in part: "Those who achieve DRP Recognition show their peers, patients and others in the Diabetes community that they are part of an elite group that is publicly recognized for its skill in providing the highest-level diabetes care."

In 2010 Open Door received the highest Recognition (Level 3) as a Patient-Centered Medical Home™ (PPC-PCMH™) from NCQA. The ranking distinguishes them from medical practices across the nation as less than 12% are presently eligible to achieve this advanced standing.

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. 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.

