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PHYSICIAN OF THE YEAR - 2015

Dear Members of the Bellevue Community,

It gives me great pleasure to announce **Kathie-Ann Joseph, MD, MPH**, Chief of the Breast Surgery Service as Bellevue Hospital Center's "Physician of the Year"! Dr. Joseph will be honored at the Health and Hospitals Corporation's Annual Doctors' Day Celebration on Wednesday, May 20th. Dr. Joseph was chosen from among a highly esteemed group of nominees submitted by Clinical Department Leaders. The final Selection Committee included Officers of the Bellevue Medical Board and members of the Executive Cabinet. Dr. Joseph was named the final candidate to be Physician of the Year because she has demonstrated superior performance in the provision of and commitment to quality and safety, clinical education, research, teamwork, and leadership, and for spearheading the effort that led to Bellevue's designation as a Center of Excellence for Breast Services by the American College of Surgeons.

Dr. Joseph is a cum laude graduate of Harvard and received her medical degree and Masters of Public Health degree from Columbia University in 1995. She then spent seven years at NYU Medical Center where she completed a general surgery residency and a research fellowship in surgical oncology. She then returned to Columbia to do a one year breast surgical oncology fellowship.

Dr. Joseph is dedicated to improving access to screening in underserved populations and communities. In her clinical practice, she manages high risk women and women with breast disease. She was a member of the President's National Cancer Panel, and currently serves on numerous committees and advisory boards. She was selected by *Crain's New York Business* as one of New York's Top 40 under 40 Rising Stars, *Black Enterprise's* Top Doctors in America, *New York Moves Magazine's* Power Women on the Move, and *Essence Magazine's* 25 Most Influential African-Americans. She also received the Susan G. Komen Greater NYC Gay Clark Stoddard Compassionate Care Award and has a number of publications related to breast disease as well as several grants for breast cancer research.

Please join me in congratulating Dr. Joseph on this well-deserved honor and in thanking her for her excellent work and steadfast commitment to Bellevue and our patients.

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