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PUBLIC HEALTH AWARDS GALA



On behalf of the **cphs*** Coordinating Committee, we welcome you to tonight's 2012 Marshall England Memorial Public Health Awards Gala. This annual event pays tribute to courageous individuals who fight for equal access to quality healthcare services and ensure a strong public health system.

Over the years, the Awards Gala has become a celebrated event in the public health community. The funds raised tonight are critical to **cphs*** operations and programs. Through the support of individuals, unions and organizations like you, **cphs*** is able to advocate for better community health, work in and organize coalitions, provide support to community-based organizations, and propose policies that increase access to primary and other health care services.

This special evening could not have happened without the serious commitment of the **cphs*** Staff. We thank them for their dedication and hard work which makes this program an enjoyable event for everyone in attendance tonight. We are also grateful to our many faithful sponsors and contributors over the years. We also welcome new supporters and hope that we can count on you in the coming years. Your gifts, along with others, allow **cphs*** to continue "Putting the Public Back in Public Health."

Finally, we congratulate all of the **SHEROES** and **HEROES** this evening. You are all an inspiration to all of us and for that we thank you!

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Marshall C. England

October 27, 1932-January 22, 2000

Marshall C. England was co-chair of the Commission on the Public's Health System from its inception in 1991 until his untimely demise in 2000. He inspired all of us with his commitment and belief in the need for a public voice in health care. Marshall believed in the power of information so he carried his back pack, and many other bags, filled with information that he knew someone could use to make improvements in their community. Marshall's spirit, soul, and his teachings are still with us, along with his commitment to health care as a right.

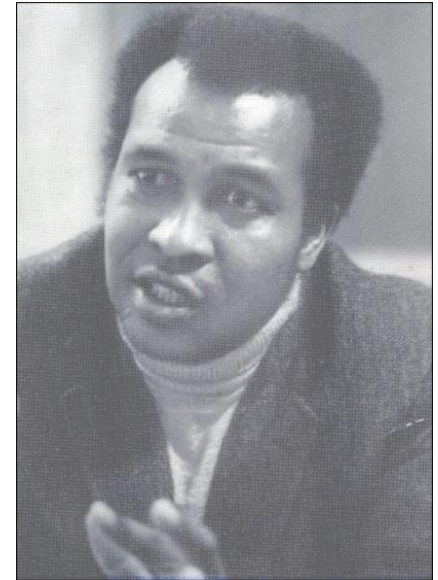
Marshall England was born in 1932 in Thomasville, Alabama to the late Rev. L.T. England and Daisy Brown England. He grew up in the south and graduated from Alabama A & M University, served in the Army, and then went on to teach at the Linden Academy High School for three years where he also coached the football team.

He moved to New York City in 1958 and his first job was as a street gang worker at the New York City Youth Board. He went on to work in many different community organizations until during the anti-poverty movement, he founded and became the Executive Director of LABOR (the League of Autonomous Bronx Organizations for Renewal). LABOR was an umbrella agency which included the operation of two day care centers, a housing program, a major food distribution program, a Youth Program, a Big Brother/Big Sister program, and a community residence for formerly mentally institutionalized patients.

Mr. England also believed in starting and building other organizations and working on a dizzying array of issues that impact on poor neighborhoods and communities of color. In his early years in New York he chaired New York CORE and the board of HAR-YOU Act Community Corporation. Mr. England believed in economic development and was actively involved as a founding board member of SOBRO in the Bronx and Harlem Commonwealth Council in Manhattan. He also developed a flea market economic development program for the homeless and minority youth in both the Bronx and Harlem. He would collect donations of goods for people to sell so that they could become self-sufficient.

Marshall England was the recipient of many awards, the last from the Friends of Harlem Hospital in November 1999 shortly before he became ill. The Emergency Room at Harlem hospital has been named for Mr. England.

In true Marshall England style, he would be telling us today that it is imperative to continue his work rather than mourning his loss. As Bill Tatum wrote in the Amsterdam News "He was the kindest man that we have ever known, who had a mission that is not yet completed. His legacy has to be the command to fill his shoes." The Commission is proud to give awards in Marshall's name.



Heroes and Sheroes of Public Health

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Moira Dolan
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Moira Dolan – Ms. Dolan is a New Yorker and a seasoned union staffer. She received a Bachelor of Science in Labor Relations from Cornell University and is a candidate for a Masters Degree from the Queens College Labor Studies Program. Ms. Dolan has spent her professional career working for and within public employee unions.

Ms. Dolan spent her first four year after college as an organizer in Cambridge for the Union of Clerical and Technical Workers at Harvard. In 1990, she went to work for District Council 37, AFSCME, as a research analyst and has progressed into a series of other positions. Ms. Dolan is currently the Senior Assistant Director, Research and Negotiations, with responsibility for negotiations for the Clerical Administrative Unit, the Social Services Unit, and the Schools Unit, three of the largest locals in DC 37, and for Wave Hill, a botanical garden in Riverdale.

Ms. Dolan has led DC 37 projects on issues related to child-care access and affordability, health-care access and funding, and contracting-in of work previously done by outside vendors. She also serves as a liaison with the Political Action Department for lobbying and legislation. Ms. Dolan has been a steering committee member of the Save Our Safety Net – Campaign, a representative to the New York Union Child Care Coalition, and a project leader on Working Parents for a Working New York.

Ms. Dolan monitors health-care funding to protect and improve services in the city's public hospital system. She monitors changes to the city, state, and federal budgets and analyzes their impact on the unions' membership. Ms. Dolan was largely responsible for the HEAT Campaign, in which union members in the public hospitals joined the fight for health care reform.

In an essay about herself, Ms. Dolan quoted Marian Wright Edelman: "Service is the price that we pay for the space we occupy." Ms. Dolan lives by this principle. She has an amazing ability, as well, to take complicated information and figure out how to explain it and help others to understand it. Ms Dolan is definitely someone you want to have on your team!

Yvonne Graham

**Former Deputy Borough President
Office of the Brooklyn Borough President**



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Yvonne Graham – Ms. Graham is a native of Jamaica, West Indies, and a Brooklyn resident. She is a Registered Nurse and holds a degree in Health Administration and Community Health from St. Joseph's College, and a Masters Degree in Public Health from Hunter College. Ms. Graham also has an Honorary Doctor of Law degree conferred on her by her alma mater at St. Joseph's College. Ms. Graham is an acknowledged community public health expert. She has written and published many professional articles, and is the co-author of a highly-regarded textbook on the operation and management of community-based health organizations and their role in improving health outcomes.

Ms. Graham is very well-known as a founder and past executive director of the Caribbean Women's Health Association (CWAHA), a community-based organization which she built from a volunteer membership association of 12, to a full-fledged health and social service organization. CWAHA provides comprehensive, culturally-competent health care, immigration, and social support services to diverse communities.

In particular, we honor Ms. Graham for her outstanding ten year service as Brooklyn Deputy Borough President. Ms. Graham had primary responsibility in that office for health policy and human services. Among her many accomplishments in that role was: the co-founding of the Brooklyn Center on Health Disparities, which is working to reduce health disparities among minorities and new immigrants through clinical and community-based research, education, outreach, and training; the Brooklyn Community Transformation Committee, which was established to respond to the structural and systemic factors that undermine well-being; the Brooklyn Public Health Funding Task Force which advocates for equity in funding for health care; and the Brooklyn Young Women's Leadership Initiative which serves as a pipeline for women's advancement.

In recognition of her excellent and important work, Ms. Graham recently was appointed as Associate Commissioner of State Health, and serves as Director of the Office of Minority Health and Health Disparities Prevention. This is a newly created office designed to ensure that everyone – regardless of ethnic or social background or the community in which they live – has access to the resources and services they need to be healthy.

Ms. Graham is a solid, resourceful, intelligent, and talented advocate who will achieve her goals. She will also accomplish all of this with a wonderful smile and a twinkle in her eyes.

Health Disparities Work Group

Medicaid Redesign



Members of the Health Disparities Committee of the Medicaid Redesign Team (MRT) – The two co-chairs and the eight members of this committee who were supported for membership by the Save Our Safety Net – Campaign (SOS-C), are being jointly honored by CPHS for this ground-breaking work. This was not a typical MRT committee for many reasons. The first reason is that this committee was established because of a ground-swell community campaign. In public hearings, emails, and more, community representatives raised concern in the initial phase of the MRT work that health care disparities, race and ethnicity, and the impact of cuts on Medicaid beneficiaries were not mentioned. This committee was formed in response to that campaign. The second reason this committee was unusual was because of its composition which was ten times more reflective of Medicaid consumers and their communities than any of the other MRT committees. The third reason to honor this committee is that -- partly because of its grass-roots origin and partly because of its diverse membership – its work was spectacular. The committee's recommendations, when implemented, will push the state forward tremendously in dealing with health care disparities. And undoubtedly, in recognition of the committee's work, the State Health Commissioner has now appointed the first Deputy Commissioner for Health Disparities Prevention.

During its four meetings the committee was able to craft fourteen recommendations that recognized the role of race, ethnicity, language spoken, disability, and gender in health disparities – a very large agenda. In addition to the recommendations the committee put forward to the full MRT, it adopted another recommendation that called on all of the eight other committees to include information about how their recommendations would impact on health care disparities.

The committee's recommendations include: data collection and metrics to measure disparities, improved language access, including for prescriptions, Medicaid coverage of primary and secondary community-based chronic disease prevention services, improve access to Emergency Medicaid, address disparities in treatment at teaching facilities, enhance services to promote maternal and child health, promote effective use of charity care funds, promote full access to mental health medications, Medicaid coverage of syringe access and harm reduction activities. Several of these recommendations were adopted as part of the Governor's budget.

All of the members of the Health Disparities Committee did a great job. Tonight we are honoring the two co-chairs – Elizabeth Swain and Arlene Gonzalez-Sanchez – along with the eight members proposed by the SOS-C – Noilyn Abesamis-Mendoza, Nisha Agarwal, LaRay Brown, Susan Dooha, Charles King, Ngozi Moses, Theo Oshiro, and Jackie Vimo.

Rosie Mendez

Council Member

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Hon. Rosie Mendez – Ms. Mendez is a life-long New Yorker, born to Puerto Rican parents, who grew up in public housing in Williamsburg, Brooklyn. She attended public schools, went on to receive her undergraduate degree in Metropolitan Studies and Political Science from New York University. After working as a tenant organizer in Williamsburg and then as the housing specialist at Parondneck Foundation, Ms. Mendez received her law degree from Rutgers School of Law. She began her legal career as an IOLA Legal Services Fellow in 1995.

Prior to her election in 2006 as the City Councilperson representing the Lower East Side of Manhattan (District 2), Ms. Mendez served in different capacities in the non-profit world. She was on the Board of Directors of the Lower East Side Peoples Federal Credit Union, and interned at the Puerto Rican Legal Defense Fund, the National Gay and Lesbian Task Force, and the Legal Action Center. Ms. Mendez was also the Democratic District Leader for four years and as the Chief of Staff to her predecessor in the Council, Margarita Lopez. Ms. Mendez played a leading role in the community fights to save St. Brigid's Church and to landmark the Charas/PS 64 building, as well as to prevent the expansion of Con Edison's East River Plant.

On the Council, Ms. Mendez is the Chair of the City Council's Public Housing Committee. She has been a maverick, voting against the Mayor's expansion of term limits, the expansion of Columbia University, and the new Yankee Stadium – all important community issues. The Urban Justice Center's Human Rights Project ranks Ms. Mendez among the top five on the Council for her stance on civil liberties. Ms. Mendez has introduced legislation that would establish the right to counsel for seniors, improve language access, promote mold abatement, and establish sanctions against restaurants that violate labor laws. We honor Ms. Mendez for all of the above and for working with CPHS and the People's Budget Coalition to sponsor legislation that questioned the composition and mission of the Medicaid Redesign Team.

Councilwoman Mendez is a model for many young women interested in improving their community. Her determination, skill, wit, and fortitude all contribute to her many, many accomplishments.

Michael A. Stocker, MD

Board Chair

New York City Health and Hospitals Corporation



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Dr. Michael A. Stocker – Dr. Stocker grew up in the West, Montana and Washington State. He received his BS at the University of Notre Dame in Indiana, his Doctor of Medicine from the Medical College of Wisconsin, and a Masters of Public Health at the University of Michigan. He did double residency training – internal medicine at the Mayo Clinic and Family Practice at the University of California, and in-between the two residencies, Dr. Stocker served as a Major in the Army Medical Corps for two years.

Dr. Stocker lists his professional experience as “business” experience, not typical of CPHS honorees. But Dr. Stocker began his medical career as the Associate Chairman of the Department of Family Practice at Cook County Hospital, the Chicago's only public hospital, where he spent five years. After that for another five years, he was the Medical Director at Anchor HMO/Rush Presbyterian Medical Center, also in Chicago. He then began a business career with progressively more influential positions in the insurance market: as Executive Vice President of the New York Region at U.S. Healthcare; as President of CIGNA Health Plans; as President and CEO of Empire Blue Cross Blue Shield in New York and then finally as President & CEO of Wellpoint, Inc, in the East Region.

Dr. Stocker has returned to his medical roots as the Chairman of the Board of the Health and Hospitals Corporation for the past four years – he has come back home. His stewardship has been important in the development of HHC and its focus on improvement of the quality of care. There is an excellent working relationship between Dr. Stocker and Mr. Aviles as the President of HHC. It is impressive to attend board committee meetings and experience Dr. Stocker's intelligent and probing questions.

Dr. Stocker also has an eclectic background in the other affiliations he has had over the years. For example, he was the President of the Physicians National Housestaff Association in 1972. He is currently on the board of the United Hospital Fund and the Arthur Ashe Institute for Urban Health. He was also a member of the Jackson Hole Group and a board member of the New York City Partnership and Chamber of Commerce.

Dr. Stocker's very inclusive approach in his work at HHC can be seen in the fact that he appointed Rev. Diane Lacey as Vice Chairperson of the board, which had not happened under any other Chair. He is down to earth and has a great sense of humor. Dr. Stocker is a kid at heart. He bid on a pin-ball machine at a silent auction, and proudly shows it off at his HHC office.



ACCOMPLISHMENTS 2011-2012

The mission of the **Commission on the Public's Health System, cphs***, is "to fight for equal access to quality health care services for everyone regardless of their race, ethnicity, language spoken, diagnosis, or the ability to pay." This mission guides our work, which we accomplish by: involving our board and membership, working closely with community organizations and unions, and forming or joining coalition efforts on important issues. Some of the things that we have accomplished and will continue to pursue:



Mobilizing our Board and our Members:

The **cphs*** Board is active in all aspects of the work of the organization. Two new members were welcomed to the board: Joann Casado and Ed Daniels. **cphs*** holds eleven monthly membership meetings, inviting guest speakers, discussing priorities, planning collaborative activities and gathering volunteers for projects.



Advocating for Community Health:

cphs* is working with the Brooklyn Perinatal Network and the Brooklyn Community Transformation Coalition. The coalition, initially formed by BPN to apply for federal funding, instead applied to the city Department of Health and Mental Hygiene to be designated as the coalition leaders for the borough after the city got funded. In the process, members of this coalition worked to influence the city department to better target their goals for this funding.



Brooklyn Perinatal Network Inc.

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Advocating for Community Health:

cphs* continues to work with SQUISH, a community coalition in Southeast Queens. SQUISH is working on bringing the RAM (Rapid Area Medical Volunteer Corps) to provide services in the community and document how this community continues to be medically underserved.

The logo for SQUISH features the word 'SQUISH' in a bold, blue, serif font. The letter 'Q' is replaced by a black circle containing a white ECG (heart rate) line. The entire logo is enclosed within a thin black rectangular border.

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Advocating for Community Health:

cphs* continues to work with Beyond Ground Zero (BGZ) to ensure that all 9/11 clean-up workers and low-income residents of the Lower East Side and Chinatown receive screening and treatment for post 9/11 illnesses and problems.





Advocating for Community Health:

cphs* worked on the St. Vincent's Community Health Assessment Task Force, set up by elected officials and the local community boards, after the closing of the hospital. The goal of the Task Force was to identify health needs not being met after the closing of the hospital. The role of **cphs*** was to ensure that the voices of low-income and communities of color were heard in the process of assessing the community's needs. **cphs*** developed a survey instrument, later adapted for on-line survey by Hunter College, and worked with the tenants Fulton Houses to collect and disseminate the findings.





Protecting the Safety Net:

cphs* received funding from the City Council to support the health care safety net. This funding allows **cphs*** to focus strongly on this issue.

A huge challenge to the safety net arose this year from the Governor's appointment of the Medicaid Redesign Team (MRT). The 27-member team (wholly unrepresentative of Medicaid beneficiaries and their communities) was appointed to determine how to reduce the State's Medicaid costs by \$2.3 billion. The MRT was given approximately 6 weeks to come up with a plan. Putting up a façade of public participation to cover the deals made with members of the MRT, public hearings were held and there was an on-line comment form. **cphs*** and the Save Our Safety Net – Campaign (SOS-C) mobilized people to comment on the lack of diversity on the MRT, and the even more obvious lack of discussion about health care disparities and the impact of the proposed cuts on low-income communities of color. This work resulted in the appointment of a Health Disparities Committee for the second round of the MRT, which was to focus on planning and redesign. Eight of the 16 members appointed to this committee were recommended by SOS-C. In addition, perhaps as a direct or indirect result of this work, the State Health Commissioner created a new office with an Associate Commissioner of Minority Health and Health Disparities Prevention. Yvonne Graham, a well-known advocate, was appointed to this position.





Protecting the Safety Net:

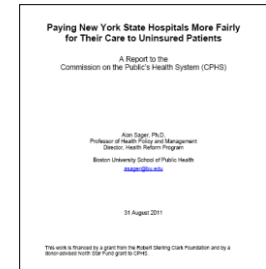
cphs* worked with Councilwoman Rosie Mendez on a Resolution introduced in the Council that raised concerns about the composition of the MRT and the impact that it would have. Councilwomen Mendez, Arroyo, and Quinn wrote a letter of concern to the Governor and the Health Commissioner.

cphs* and SOS-C worked on issues related to three of the committees of the MRT: Health Disparities; Payment Reform; and the Health Systems Redesign: Brooklyn Working Group. The Health Disparities Committee developed 14 important recommendations that were also approved by the full MRT, including one which supported the **cphs*** proposal for changes in state charity care funding allocation. Some of these recommendations are now in the Governor's proposed budget. **cphs*** worked closely with the Payment Reform Committee to influence the recommendation on reform of charity care allocation, although the committee did not reach any affirmative decisions. Through membership on the Medicaid Matters New York (MMNY) Steering Committee, which had a seat on the MRT, **cphs*** was able to advocate for and against other proposals put forward by the MRT.



Protecting the Safety Net:

Analysis and organizing around the activities of the Brooklyn Working Group was, and is, time-consuming. SOS-C mobilized for a public hearing and monitored all of the actions of this committee. A critique of the final report was well-received and widely circulated. In addition, SOS-C influenced local work in Brooklyn. SOS-C was represented (BPN, NYLPI, and **cphs***) on a Task Force set up by State Senator Sampson and co-coordinated by the Brooklyn Borough President's office. A summary of its report and recommendations was prepared. In addition, SOS-C members met with many of the Brooklyn elected officials, stimulating a Public Forum sponsored by Councilmember Eugene, and a large round-table of elected officials, health care providers, unions, and community organizations. **cphs*** initiated a joint SOS-C health planning process with the CUNY Health Equity Institute. SOS-C is also planning a large round-table meeting to broaden the organizations involved in the Brooklyn efforts.



Protecting the Safety Net:

cphs* has long advocated for major changes in the allocation of the state's Charity Care pools, which total nearly \$1 billion a year in funding. **cphs*** received a grant from the Robert Sterling Clark Foundation to provide an analysis of the Charity Care system and propose alternative methodologies for distributing the funds. Dr. Alan Sager, of Boston University, worked with **cphs*** and a Task Force to make proposals for change, which were released in August 2011. **cphs*** summarized the proposal and circulated for sign-on support, with over 50 organizations endorsing the proposal. The eventual recent recommendations from the State Health Department adopted some of the **cphs*** proposals; however the proposed implementation still creates problems. **cphs*** has initiated a new campaign to ensure that changes are made, and that legislation is enacted in this state legislative session. With a threat of the loss of additional federal funding if changes are not enacted, there will be a big push to advocate for the charity care dollars in New York State to follow patients, pay for care of the uninsured, and target high Medicaid hospitals.

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Protecting the Safety Net:

cphs* has been a major supporter of the Health and Hospitals Corporation and its efforts to improve quality of care, safety for patients, and improve access to services.

cphs* works closely with the Council of Municipal Hospitals Community Advisory Boards (CMHCAB's) in organizing this support. A more intensive review of the HHC restructuring proposals is now underway by **cphs***.

The logo for the New York City Health and Hospitals Corporation (HHC) consists of the letters 'HHC' in a large, bold, blue, sans-serif font. To the right of 'HHC', the words 'NEW YORK CITY HEALTH AND HOSPITALS CORPORATION' are stacked in a smaller, blue, sans-serif font.

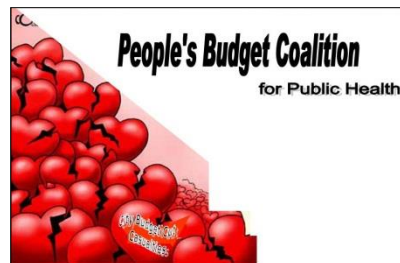
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Being on the Frontlines of the Budget Battles:

cphs* continues to coordinate the People's Budget Coalition for Public Health (PBC). The coalition continues to identify the key public health programs and services that either have not been proposed for restoration to the city budget, or are proposed for additional cuts. The coalition held a breakfast meeting to kick-off this year's campaign, is holding meetings with City Council members to inform them of PBC's concerns, mobilized for the City Council budget hearings, and is organizing an outreach and information campaign. PBC also recognizes the need to mobilize and advocate for certain state-funded programs, as they have an impact on community-based health programs.



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Being on the Frontlines of the Budget Battles:

As a member of MMNY, **cphs*** participates in discussions of what to support and advocate for in the state budget. In particular, **cphs*** strongly advocates for funding to end health care disparities, expand primary care, and to ensure the continued viability of the health care safety net.





Publications

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**Culturally Competent Care:
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Child-Care Research in New York City (2004)

Is There a Connection Between Child-Care and the Health Disparities?

A look at the issues by the Commission on the Public's Health System

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CBO's Knowledge of the Health Care Safety Net

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Are We Getting Our Money's Worth?**

Monitoring the Use of Community Health
Care Conversion Demonstration Project Funds

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*What's Needed for
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**Paying New York State Hospitals More Fairly
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A Report to the
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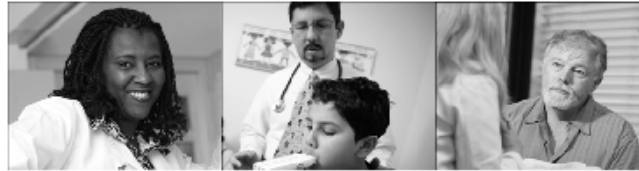
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