



NJPCA Hosts Another Successful Women's Health Brunch



Sunday, May 10, 2009, Mother's Day, served as an appropriate day to mark the start of National Women's Health Week (NWHW). The New Jersey Primary Care Association acknowledged the importance of women's health with the 5th Annual Women's Health Advocates Awards Brunch held at the Trenton Marriott. Denise V. Rodgers, M.D., Provost & Executive Vice President for the University of Medicine & Dentistry of New Jersey (UMDNJ) served as the keynote speaker. All are being recognized for their leadership, vision and long-term advocacy work for quality health care for women in New Jersey.

The following health advocates were honored as well: Senator Barbara Buono, District 18; Linda Flake, Chief Executive Officer of Southern Jersey Family Medical Centers; Tyesha Pichardo, Community Relations Specialist, Health Net of the NorthEast and Celeste Andriot Wood, Assistant Commissioner for Family Health Services, NJ DHSS. A proclamation from the Governor was read by Commissioner Heather Howard. A congratulatory letter was read by a representative from Senator Menendez' office.

Approximately 100 guests included state and local officials, community leaders and healthcare partners attended the brunch honoring these outstanding women advocates.