## JACOBI RECEIVES PRESTIGIOUS AWARD



Pictured (l-r): Mary Bradley, Board Chair, New York Business Group on Health; William P. Walsh, Senior Vice President, Jacobi Medical Center and North Central Bronx Hospital; and Laurel Pickering, Executive Director, New York Business Group on Health.

The New York Business Group on Health (NYBGH), and The Leapfrog Group, an employer-backed health advocacy organization, honored Jacobi Medical Center for improvements it has made toward patient safety and quality health care.

Jacobi Medical Center was the only New York Metro area hospital to be awarded the inaugural New York Business Group on Health-Leapfrog Group Award for Most Improved Performance in Patient Safety and Quality. The award was presented at the New York Business Group on Health's annual meeting held in New York City.

Jacobi Medical Center was selected for the award based on its results on The Leapfrog Hospital Survey and for making great strides in achieving several of Leapfrog's hospital quality and safety practices including high risk delivery processes and intensive care unit (ICU) staffing by physicians experienced in critical care medicine.

"By adopting powerful processes like the LEAN performance improvement system, incorporating evidence-based practices into our treatment protocols, and applying procedures endorsed by the Institute for Healthcare Improvement for the delivery of care, we prove that it is possible to provide patient care that is as safe as it is effective," said William P. Walsh, Senior Vice President of Jacobi Medical Center and North Central Bronx Hospital. "We are proud of our success and gratified to be chosen for such recognition."