

## Joint Commission awards NewYork-Presbyterian a Health Care Equity Certification



NewYork-Presbyterian is among the first hospitals in the nation to be awarded a Health Care Equity Certification by The Joint Commission for its work to address and improve health care equity across the healthcare system.

To receive the certification, NewYork-Presbyterian was required to produce comprehensive reports and data on its efforts to address health disparities. The rigorous review by The Joint Commission looked at over 40 program-specific standards — including patient experience, quality and safety measures, staff training, recruitment and retention, and community partnerships.

"NewYork-Presbyterian is dedicated to improving the health of our patients and all the communities we serve by addressing health disparities and working toward health equity," said Dr. Steven J. Corwin, president and CEO of NewYork-Presbyterian. "We are honored to be recognized by The Joint Commission for our efforts and look forward to continuing our work to achieve health justice."

The certification process was led by the <u>Dalio Center for Health Justice</u> at NewYork-Presbyterian, which aims to understand the root causes of health inequities with the goal of improving the health of patients and communities. The process involved clinical care and administrative teams from across the enterprise, and it included an on-site visit by Joint Commission surveyors to the hospital over three days.

"This Joint Commission recognition is a testament to NewYork-Presbyterian's commitment to addressing the root causes of health inequities and our work to prevent them," said Dr. Julia lyasere, senior vice president for Health Justice and Equity at NewYork-Presbyterian and executive director of the Dalio Center for Health Justice. "We look forward to continuing to lead the way in making health care more just for all."

The certification applies to NewYork-Presbyterian Alexandra Cohen Hospital for Women and Newborns, NewYork-Presbyterian Allen Hospital, NewYork-Presbyterian Brooklyn Methodist Hospital, NewYork-Presbyterian/Columbia University Irving Medical Center, NewYork-Presbyterian David H. Koch Center, NewYork-Presbyterian Lower Manhattan Hospital, NewYork-Presbyterian Morgan Stanley Children's Hospital, NewYork-Presbyterian/Weill Cornell Medical Center, NewYork-Presbyterian Westchester, and NewYork-Presbyterian Westchester Behavioral Health.

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