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VNA OF BOSTON HONORS THREE LEGENDARY HEROES IN HEALTH CARE AT 125TH ANNIVERSARY GALA CELEBRATION

BOSTON, MA – The Visiting Nurse Association (VNA) of Boston celebrated its 125th anniversary as the first and oldest visiting nurse agency in the nation at its “Heroes in Health Care Gala” honoring three leaders in the public policy and health care field. This year’s award recipients who were honored at our 125th Heroes in Health Care Gala on October 15, 2011:



James W. Hunt, President and CEO

Massachusetts League of Community Health Centers

Senator John F. Kerry

United States Senate

Ellen M. Zane

*Vice Chair, Board of Trustees and former President &
CEO, Tufts Medical Center*

“We are extremely proud to recognize this year’s group of legendary Heroes for their devotion to the VNA of Boston and their commitment to health care,” said Reynold G. Spadoni, President and CEO of the VNA of Boston. “They each embody the mission of our organization, and are examples to us all of what it means to truly make a difference. We are proud to call them our Heroes.”

Founded in 1886, the VNA of Boston has a long and proud history of responding to public health crises in the Greater Boston area. They have been on the front lines, providing care to newborns and their mothers, those recovering from surgery, the chronically ill and seniors. The organization’s goal is to create a society where everyone has equal access to exceptional health care services and can remain at home and in the community, independently, with dignity and the greatest quality of life.

This year’s gala was held in the Grand Ballroom of the Taj Hotel. With its breathtaking views of the Boston Public Garden, it was a fitting location for the culmination of the organization’s year-long celebration of its milestone anniversary and was certainly a memorable evening. The black tie benefit was hosted by award-winning journalist Emily Rooney who, along with other notable guests, shared stories from the VNA of Boston’s rich history and why our services are more relevant today than ever before.

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Celebrating our 125th anniversary, the Visiting Nurse Association of Boston & Affiliates provides home health care through the VNA of Boston, end-of-life support through VNA Hospice Care and private pay services through VNA Private Care. We provide the highest quality and most efficient solutions for keeping people independent, at home and in the community, maximizing their health and quality of life.