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## **Media Alert**

## Impact of NYC Public Hospital System on Local Jobs and Economy To Be Announced by NAPH

National Association of Public Hospitals and Health Systems (NAPH) President and Chief Executive Officer Bruce Siegel will make an announcement on **Wednesday**, **October 26 at 1p.m.** in the lobby of Bellevue Hospital about jobs and economic activity supported by the New York City Health and Hospitals Corporation (HHC) and safety net hospitals across the country. Siegel will also discuss the harmful effects of proposed Federal Medicaid cuts which will put at risk the long-term financial stability of HHC and other safety net hospitals across the country that disproportionately serve the poor and derive a major portion of their reimbursement income from Medicaid. Siegel will be joined by HHC President Alan D. Aviles, labor leaders from District Council 37 and the Doctors Council and merchants from Brooklyn and Queens whose businesses depend on the local public hospitals.

## WHO:

- Bruce Siegel, MD, CEO of the National Association of Public Hospitals
- Alan D. Aviles, President, New York City Health and Hospitals Corporation
- Lillian Roberts, Executive Director of District Council 37
- Frank Proscia, MD, first Vice President and Executive Director of the Doctor's Council
- New York State Nurses Association representative
- Committee of Interns and Residents/ SEIU representative
- Business owners from Queens and Brooklyn whose businesses depend on nearby HHC hospitals.

WHEN: Wednesday, October 26, 2011

1 p.m.

**WHERE:** Bellevue Hospital Center Atrium

462 First Avenue @ 27<sup>th</sup> Street, Manhattan

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