

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

Contact: Suzette Robinson
973-414-1871
robinsons@evh.org

January 14, 2011

**EAST ORANGE GENERAL HOSPITAL TRUSTEE CHAIR
AND CEO BOTH RECEIVE AWARDS
AT HOSPITAL ASSOCIATION'S ANNUAL MEETING
Ellis-Williams Named Trustee of the Year; Slavin Recognized As Top Executive**

PRINCETON – Both the Chairman of the Board of Trustees and Chief Executive Officer of East Orange General Hospital were recognized on Friday, January 14, 2011 for their leadership and contributions to healthcare at the 92nd Annual Meeting of the 100-member New Jersey Hospital Association (NJHA).

Board Chair Antionette Ellis-Williams, Ph.D., received the association's Hospital Trustee of the Year award while Kevin Slavin was also recognized with a Senior Executive award presented by American College of Healthcare Executives.

Dr. Ellis-Williams, a college educator, civic leader, minister, and social issues advocate, has served the hospital's trustee board for the past six years. The award recognizes her exceptional leadership, guidance and service to her hospital, board and community while helping East Orange General continue to evolve and succeed as the only remaining independent, community hospital in Essex County.

“We’re enormously proud of Antionette for being applauded by her peers statewide,” said EOGH CEO Slavin. “As trustee chair she has been a guiding light for us as we focus our mission, brand and services to be a healthcare resource of excellence for all the communities we serve.”

Dr. Ellis-Williams accepted her award before more than 300 hospital executives, board members, physicians, volunteers and auxiliaries who gathered at the hospital association’s annual event. Organized in 1918, NJHA provides its member hospitals with advocacy, policy analysis, education and research to better help hospitals achieve their goals.

Kevin Slavin’s Senior Executive award was presented to him at the NJHA Annual Meeting by the New Jersey Chapter of the American College of Healthcare Executives (ACHE). Slavin is now in his sixth year as President and CEO at East Orange General. He held executive positions at St. Joseph’s Regional Medical Center in Paterson and Saint Clare’s Health System in Denville before coming to EOGH

Slavin was recognized for his “significant contributions and outstanding achievements” in hospital management. Based in Chicago, the ACHE is a professional society of more than 30,000 healthcare professionals worldwide. It helps develop professional and leadership skills with the goal of improving healthcare delivery.

###