On Capital Hill, Bi-State Presents Community Health Center Awards to VT Congressional Delegations

**Washington, DC – March 23, 2012** - During the National Association of Community Health Centers’ 2012 Policy and Issues Forum in Washington, DC, representatives of Bi-State Primary Care Association and its Community Health Center members were able to personally meet, thank, and present awards to the Congressional Delegations, recognizing them for their strong support of Community Health Centers. Senator Patrick Leahy, Rep. Peter Welch, and Senator Bernie Sanders all received high accolades and awards from Bi-State and the National Association of Community Health Centers for their commitment to assuring all residents, including our most vulnerable populations, have access to comprehensive primary health care services.

Community Health Centers offer quality, affordable, and effective primary care to all, including the uninsured, under-insured, and those enrolled in Medicaid or Medicare. Bi-State members provide primary care to 167,000 Vermonters statewide.

Established in 1986, Bi-State Primary Care Association is a nonpartisan, nonprofit 501(c) 3 charitable organization. With offices in Vermont and New Hampshire, Bi-State works with federal, state, and regional health policy organizations, foundations, and payers to develop strategies, policies, and programs that provide and support community-based primary and preventive health care services in medically under-served areas.

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