



## **Hospice & Palliative Care of Westchester Receives Grant from Dow Chemical Company Foundation**

**White Plains, NY – (December 16, 2010)** – The Dow Chemical Company Foundation has awarded a grant to Hospice & Palliative Care of Westchester (HPCW) in support of the hospice and its role in Westchester County's health delivery system. Funds from the grant will be applied to HPCW's Volunteer Department for volunteer training.

The Herbert H. and Grace A. Dow Foundation was established in 1936 as a nonprofit foundation to fund worthwhile community causes. In 1979, The Dow Chemical Company Foundation was created to further enhance community outreach by improving the understanding of science through science-related education projects and programs.

Jaquelyn Pirri, a member of HPCW's Development Committee and former Board Chair, presented the grant to HPCW on behalf of The Dow Chemical Company Foundation.

"This grant was awarded in recognition of the value of hospice in the community's health care system and to honor the hospice volunteers for their special contribution. Volunteers really are the heart of the hospice program," Pirri said.

She added that the grant will help to support a thriving group of individuals and their efforts. "HPCW's volunteers dedicate their time to patients, whether through companionship, spiritual counseling or just listening. This grant will enable HPCW to train more volunteers whose efforts truly make the end-of-life experience more positive for individuals in their care," Pirri added.

Hospice & Palliative Care of Westchester is located at 311 North Street, Suite 204, White Plains, NY. For additional information, visit [www.hospiceofwestchester.com](http://www.hospiceofwestchester.com) or call 914.682.1484.

**About Hospice & Palliative Care of Westchester:** Hospice & Palliative Care of Westchester is a private, not-for-profit healthcare agency that provides skilled, compassionate and comprehensive end-of-life home care to patients with any diagnosis and gives support to their families and loved ones.

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