

**Beth Israel**

**Continuum Health Partners, Inc.**

555 West 57th Street  
New York, NY 10019

Contact: Carol Rubiano  
212-580-9706

## **LOUIS ARMSTRONG CENTER FOR MUSIC & MEDICINE ANNOUNCES 2010 “WHAT A WONDERFUL WORLD” HONOREES**

August 2, 2010 – Dave Brubeck, renowned jazz pianist, icon and composer; Daphne Ridley, RN, MA, nurse manager for orthopedics at Beth Israel Medical Center; Kimberley Sue, an honor student and actress; and CareFusion, a global medical device company that supports jazz music, are the recipients of the 2010 “What A Wonderful World” Award, announced Joanne V. Loewy, DA, MT-BC, LCAT, Director of Beth Israel Medical Center’s Louis Armstrong Center for Music & Medicine.

The honorees will be feted at a cocktail reception/silent auction on Monday, September 20, from 6 to 9 pm, at Beth Israel’s Phillips Ambulatory Care Center Nerken Family Atrium in Manhattan. The annual awards ceremony celebrates health care advocates, music legends and patients. A performance by members of the cast of the Broadway production of “Wicked” will be among the evening’s musical treats. Dancer-choreographer Mercedes Ellington will preside as mistress of ceremonies.

The evening will feature a silent auction of musical, sport, entertainment and travel packages that will benefit the Armstrong Center’s clinical services to those in need, including musicians, infants in the NICU, children with HIV and asthma, as well as adults with cancer, COPD and heart disease.

The Louis and Lucille Armstrong Music Therapy Program at Beth Israel, established 17 years ago as part of the jazz legend’s legacy, was the foundation for the expanded programs of The Louis Armstrong Center for Music & Medicine, created in 2005. The Center also provides specialty treatment for children with developmental disorders such as attention deficit and pervasive developmental delays.

The Louis Armstrong Center for Music & Medicine is made possible by a generous gift from the David B. Kriser Foundation and through the estate of John H. Slade, directed to Beth Israel from the late hospital trustee Richard Netter, and with additional support from the Louis Armstrong Educational Foundation and the Heather on Earth Music Foundation. The Louis Armstrong Center is located at the Phillips Ambulatory Care Center, 10 Union Square East, between 14<sup>th</sup> and 15<sup>th</sup> Streets in Manhattan.

For more information about What A Wonderful World Awards, the programs and services offered by The Louis Armstrong Center for Music & Medicine, please call 212-420-2704 or check out its website at [www.musicandmedicine.org](http://www.musicandmedicine.org).

**Continuum** Health Partners, Inc.

**Beth Israel**

University Hospital and  
Manhattan Campus for  
the Albert Einstein College  
of Medicine

**Roosevelt  
Hospital**

University Hospital of  
Columbia University College  
of Physicians & Surgeons

**St. Luke's  
Hospital**

University Hospital of  
Columbia University College  
of Physicians & Surgeons

**Long Island  
College Hospital**

Primary Clinical Teaching  
Affiliate of SUNY—  
Health Science Center  
at Brooklyn

**NY Eye & Ear  
Infirmary**

Affiliated Teaching  
Hospital of New York  
Medical College