



A YOUNG LEADER RECOGNIZED FOR COLLABORATION IN ST. LOUIS HEALTH CARE

The St. Louis American Foundation will honor Ms. Bethany Johnson-Javois as an inaugural recipient of the Salute to Young Leaders Award on February 24th, 2011. Ms. Johnson-Javois stands among 20 outstanding African-American professionals under the age of 40 noted for excellence, commitment, and compassion in the St. Louis region. As the Chief Executive Officer of the St. Louis Integrated Health Network (IHN), Ms. Johnson-Javois facilitates the strategic direction of care coordination among area community health centers to ensure accessible, quality, and affordable health care for all residents. IHN membership is comprised of notable providers including Betty Jean Kerr People’s Health Centers, Crider Health Center, Family Care Health Centers, Grace Hill Neighborhood Health Centers, Myrtle Hilliard Davis Comprehensive Health Centers, Saint Louis ConnectCare, Saint Louis County Department of Health, Saint Louis University School of Medicine and Washington University School of Medicine. Collectively, the health center network serves over 200,000 residents in the St. Louis Metropolitan area. Dr. Bob Massie, Chief Executive Officer of Family Care Health Centers and IHN Board Chair shares “Bethany is widely respected for her professionalism, expertise, integrity, tremendous compassion for others and for being an outstanding individual.” Colleagues along with staff agree. Wil Franklin, IHN Chief Program Officer, closes “Her leadership begets leadership and sprouts roots into others to do the same. She knows how to tap into peoples’ potential and nurture that into empowerment.”

About Bethany Johnson-Javois: A native St. Louisian, Ms. Johnson-Javois holds a BS in International Business Management from Missouri State University and a Masters in Social Work from Brown School at Washington University. She is also a licensed Evangelist Missionary in the Churches of God in Christ.

About the St. Louis Integrated Health Network: The St. Louis Integrated Health Network is a non-profit organization dedicated, by mission, to strive through collaboration and partnership for accessible, quality and affordable health care to all residents of the greater St. Louis region with an emphasis on the underserved. A majority of the IHN governing body is comprised of federally qualified health centers membership along with local representation from the public departments of health and private medical schools.