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Sally Hernández-Piñero Named To Crain's 2022 Notable Hispanic Leaders List**

(New York, NY – September 30, 2022) – [MetroPlusHealth](#) Board Chair and [NYC Health + Hospitals](#) Board Member Sally Hernández-Piñero is among the 78 leaders recognized as Notable 2022 Hispanic Leaders by Crain's New York Business. The 78 Hispanic leaders were chosen for their professional accomplishments and records of powering change. They come from various industries –medicine to law, financial services to public relations – with different leadership capabilities.

“First, I wish all the honorees a Happy Hispanic Heritage Month. It is an honor to be recognized by Crain's because it is a simultaneous recognition of the extraordinary work of the MetroPlusHealth and the NYC Health + Hospitals teams,” **said Sally Hernández-Piñero, Board Chair at MetroPlusHealth and Board Member at NYC Health + Hospitals.** “I am continuously motivated by my experience working with underserved communities – the Latino community has specific health needs but often waits long to get help. In my role at MetroPlusHealth and NYC Health + Hospitals, I want to remove the stigma around getting care. In many Hispanic communities, it is a common belief that getting medical assistance for mental or physical health problems is a sign of weakness, and I want to change that.”

“Congratulations on your well-deserved recognition, Sally,” said **Dr. Talya Schwartz, President and CEO of MetroPlusHealth**. “Sally has been a steadfast advocate for care in the Hispanic community. As Board Chair, she makes sure that MetroPlusHealth reaches all communities, particularly Latinx. Sally uses her public servant experience and background to ensure that all New Yorkers can access high-quality, affordable health care.”

Mayor Bill de Blasio appointed Mrs. Sally Hernández-Piñero to the New York City Health + Hospitals Board of Directors; subsequently, Mrs. Hernández-Piñero was appointed Chair of the MetroPlusHealth Board of Directors. Mrs. Hernández-Piñero began her career as a Staff Attorney at Bedford-Stuyvesant Community Legal Services. She became General Counsel to the State of New York Mortgage Agency and Deputy Borough President of Manhattan. She joined former Mayor David Dinkins’ Administration as Deputy Mayor for Finance and Economic Development. Following her career in the public sector, Mrs. Hernández-Piñero transitioned into the corporate world and served as a Board of Trustees of Con Edison member for 23 years.

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