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Howard Brown Health Honors Denise Foy for Her Leadership and Impact

Howard Brown Health is proud to announce one of our 2026 honorees, Denise Foy, who will be recognized at our annual Spring Gala, ***Compass: Navigating Our Future Together***, on April 23 at Venue West.

Denise will be honored for her unwavering commitment to advancing health equity and uplifting the LGBTQ+ community across Chicago. Through her advocacy, generosity, and meaningful partnership, Denise has helped expand our mission and strengthen the LGBTQ+ community. We are especially appreciative of her passion and commitment to Howard Brown Health.

During our recent capital campaign, she worked tirelessly to help raise funds for our Halsted site, creating a space where LGBTQ+ individuals not only have access to high-quality, affirming care, but also feel seen, safe, and supported. Additionally, she played an important role in supporting our Lesbian Cancer Center Project. Without a doubt, Denise has uplifted our community, and we are all better because of her dedication and leadership.



Deeply engaged in her community, Denise has served on numerous boards and initiatives including being a founder and Trustee at the Illinois Holocaust Museum and Education Center, Center on Halsted and the Education Center's LGBT programming efforts. She is a founding member of the LGBTQ Community Fund at The Chicago Community Trust and serves as Executive Sponsor for the first Pride Employee Resource Group at the American Medical Association. Her dedication to

service reflects a lifelong commitment to building stronger, more compassionate communities.

Her leadership and generosity have played an important role in improving health outcomes and ensuring that more individuals and families have access to the care, support, and resources they deserve. Denise has consistently used her voice, her connections, and her influence to champion our work and the communities we serve.

Please join us on April 23 at Venue West as we celebrate Denise Foy and her remarkable impact in helping build a healthier, more equitable future for all.

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