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## Bronx beat

### *Bronx Council on the Arts presents In Progress*

Dr. Rubina Heptulla, chief of the division of pediatric endocrinology and diabetes at **The Children's Hospital at Montefiore**, has been appointed to the Westchester County Laboratories and Research Board of Managers.

Heptulla will serve a three-year term starting this month and will oversee quality assurance, reporting and budgeting for Westchester laboratories.

Westchester County Executive Robert P. Astorino selected Dr. Heptulla, a Rye resident and professor of pediatrics and medicine at Albert Einstein College of Medicine of Yeshiva University, to join four existing board managers who provide oversight of environmental laboratories, forensic and toxicology services and microbiological laboratories.

Dr. Heptulla joined Montefiore in April 2010. An internationally recognized pediatric endocrinologist, she is an expert in diabetes, thyroid, growth, puberty and adrenal disorders, and leads research in these areas. She oversees six pediatric endocrinology and diabetes clinics that receive nearly 200 patient visits each week in locations across Westchester and

the Bronx. A seventh clinic will open in early 2013.

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**Bronx District Attorney Robert Johnson** announced the hiring of 20 new assistant district attorneys.

The new ADAs began a one-week training program Monday, January 7, under the supervision of Assistant District Attorney Cari Ferreiro, Chief of Litigation Training.

The intensive program combines courtroom observation with lectures in criminal court practice.

The new prosecutors are: Garrett S. Barmore, Allison Cerilli, Julia L. Forman, Laura Godfrey, Paul B. Hershan, David P. Johnson, Kristen M. Keppler, La-Donna D. Lawrence, Melanie A. Lewis, Jonathan M. McCann, Christopher P. Regan, Krystle E. Rodriguez, Elizabeth Schwartzman, Gregory Sparer, Bryan Stech, Marshall S. Volk, Paige A. Wallace, Melissa Weiner, Hilary Wolecki, and Amy E. Young.

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The **Bronx Council on the Arts' Bronx Writers Center** is presenting *In Progress: Speed Writing and Open Mic*, a free, hands-on work-

shop, scheduled for Monday, Jan. 28 from 6:30-8:30 p.m. at the future home of the Bronx Council on the Arts (2700 E Tremont Avenue, in Westchester Square.) Admission is free.

Reserve your seat at <http://bronxwriters1282013.eventbrite.com/>

The Bronx Writers Center's 2012-2013 workshop series, *In Progress*, is posted on BCA's website at [www.bronxarts.org](http://www.bronxarts.org).

For additional information on this workshop or other events presented by the Bronx Writers Center, call (718) 931-9500 x21, e-mail [bronxwriters@bronxarts.org](mailto:bronxwriters@bronxarts.org), or visit the Bronx Writers Center's web pages at [www.bronxarts.org](http://www.bronxarts.org).

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Carmine Giannotto has received the **NIAF Scholarship Honoring Military Service**. Giannotto attends St. Francis College and is majoring in Physical Education.

Scholarship winners are selected based on academic merit and are academically outstanding, with an average GPA of 3.95. The average scholarship in the United States was more than \$4,000.