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NY MED

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ABC News Eight-Part
Medical Documentary Series

An Intimate Look at
New York-Presbyterian Hospital



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The ABC News team, under the direction of Executive Producer Terence Wrong (seated, far right) and Supervising Producer Erica Baumgart (second from left) in their production office at NewYork-Presbyterian

From the award-winning producers of *Hopkins* and *Boston Med*, ABC News' new eight-part medical documentary series, *NY Med*, takes a raw and intimate look at life inside one of the most famous hospitals in America. ABC's 20-person news team had unprecedented access to document the dramatic and inspirational stories of our patients and healthcare providers that define NewYork-Presbyterian Hospital.

The highly anticipated series was filmed over the course of the year without a correspondent or narrator. There is no point of view other than the voices of the men and women on staff at NewYork-Presbyterian and their patients and families. NewYork-Presbyterian is the first hospital in New York to be profiled in a television medical documentary series.

"Medicine is a universal subject. At some point in our lives we or those we love will become patients for one reason or another," says Executive Producer Terence Wrong. "This series takes you behind the curtain to learn about those we depend on to fix us, and how sometimes they just can't."

The news team was not escorted by Public Affairs, and before filming began, the team met with senior management and physician and nursing leadership; underwent training focusing on privacy, confidentiality and safety; and was screened by Workforce Health and Safety.

"NewYork-Presbyterian Hospital relies on extraordinary and dedicated physicians, nurses, and staff to deliver the best in care and caring. Our patients and their families come from near and far to find the help they need to face the most challenging and complex medical problems, and we are focused on providing them with the highest quality and most compassionate care," says Dr. Steven J. Corwin, CEO of NewYork-Presbyterian Hospital. "NewYork-Presbyterian is proud of our amazing Hospital team

and all who were involved in the making of this informative and poignant program."

NY Med takes a candid look at how cutting-edge medicine often makes the difference, although even the best surgeons can find themselves flirting with disaster. The ER staff trade jibes with strong-willed New Yorkers in moments that can be poignantly heartbreaking or off-the-hook hilarious. *NY Med* also captures the often complicated and intertwined personal relationships that develop when working in such a large and busy emergency room under highly charged and demanding conditions.

"Terry Wrong and his team have brilliantly captured the incredible drama of life and death inside one of the world's great hospitals. Real and riveting, *NY Med* is sure to enlighten, engage and inspire viewers this summer," says ABC News President Ben Sherwood.

Some of the doctors of *NY Med* travel difficult and uncertain paths to reach the pinnacle of medical excellence. Anthony Watkins, MD, an African-American from the Deep South, overcame limited



means and an absentee father to become one of the most heralded new talents in transplant surgery.

Among the surgeons of *NY Med* is the well-known Mehmet Oz, MD, who proves that he remains a dedicated heart surgeon in addition to his successful parallel career as a talk show host.

When patients and doctors come together on *NY Med*, the stakes are frequently high. Rita Saverino, a Wall Street banker and mother of two, thought she would die from the grapefruit-size tumor in her stomach, but Tomoaki Kato, MD, believes he can help with *ex vivo* surgery. Even with the best trained surgeons,

things go awry: A former Army officer goes into the operating room for a heart transplant, but wakes up to learn that the heart he has been waiting for was irreparably damaged during removal. Both he and his doctors are desperately disappointed, but what he does next will melt viewers' hearts.

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Premieres Tuesday, July 10
10/9 PM Central
on the ABC Television Network
For a preview, go to nyp.org/nymed

GOOD NEWS! YOU ARE NOW ABLE TO STAY IN TOUCH

with NewYork-Presbyterian Hospital any time of the day regardless of where you're located. The Hospital is now active on Facebook, Twitter and YouTube. As of 2011, more than 1,230 U.S. hospitals had an active social media presence and we're thrilled to be among them. At NewYork-Presbyterian, we'll be using social media to communicate with patients, physicians and nurses the amazing things happening at our hospital and connect with our growing community of alumni.

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We hope you'll follow NewYork-Presbyterian online and join the conversation. Expect to see lots of content added for the July 10 premiere of *NY Med*.

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1300 York Avenue (at 69th Street)
New York, NY 10065

For more information and registration, Jessica Grajales at (212) 585-6800 or via e-mail: nypcme@nyp.org

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Dates: November 29-December 1, 2012
Location: Weill Greenberg Center
1305 York Avenue (at 70th Street)
New York, NY 10065

For more information and registration, contact Jessica Grajales at (212) 585-6800 or via e-mail: nypcme@nyp.org

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