

**Summary for projects submitted to the Appropriations Committee for the FY10  
Appropriations Cycle**

**The proposed recipient:** New York Eye and Ear Infirmary

**Address of the recipient:** 310 E. 14th St.  
New York, NY 10003

**The amount of the request:** \$306,000

**Purpose of the project and why it is a good use of taxpayer funds:** NYEEI provides screenings, educational programs and other outreach activities and maintains a strong and ongoing relationship with its local communities. Its current patient mix reflects this with the hospital serving a very diverse patient population. Currently, 36% of NYEEI's patients are children and 20% are seniors.

The hospital serves a large number of uninsured patients, as well as those covered by public health insurance. Nearly half of all patient visits are covered by state and federal health insurance programs (21.4% Medicaid, 24.3% Medicare) and more than a quarter (26.4%) of patient visits are to the un- or underinsured including non-pay and self-pay.

This funding will add significantly to the volume and quality of care received by constituents.