



# Heart of Hearts

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## OPEN-HEART PATIENTS' EDUCATION & SUPPORT SERIES

July through December, 2008

**July 8 • Transcatheter Valve Therapy - RESCHEDULED**

*Marian Hawkey, RN, Coordinator of Transcatheter Valve Program*

Non-surgical valvular therapy options currently being investigated in clinical trials.  
Translation: Valve surgery minus the surgery and what it means for the future.

**August 12 • Honor and Obey? Not always.**

*Kenneth Prager, MD, Pulmonologist and Chair, Hospital Ethics Committee*

Dr. Prager is a world renowned speaker in the field of hospital ethics. Please join us as he explores when a proxy is honored and when it can be disobeyed.

**September 9 • The Vivian and Seymour Milstein Family Heart Center**

*Lisa Mainieri, MPH, MSW, Cardiac Outreach Coordinator*

So after 8 years, Lisa finally decided to speak. Well, not speak so much, as fill you in as to the status and plans for the new heart center.

**October 14 • Tag. You're It.**

*Michele Moucatel, Coram Specialized Home Infusion Services*

Hospital infections are bound to occur. With the recent growth in drug resistant organisms, Michele will be on hand to explain what the hospital does to prevent infections, what puts people most at risk and what you can do to protect yourselves both in and out of the hospital.

**November 11 • Topic TBD**

*Wahida Karmally, DrPH, RD, CDE, CLS, Associate Research Scientist Lecturer in Dentistry, Director of Nutrition The Irving Institute for Clinical and Translational Research*

**December 9 • Party Hearty!**

Come celebrate with old and new friends as we join to celebrate the end of 2008 and the beginning of 2009.

Same time, 4:00 to 6:00 p.m. on the 2nd Tuesday each month, same place...

Heart of Hearts Open-Heart Patients' Education & Support Series happens the second Tuesday of each month in the Milstein Hospital Building, 7 Hudson South, Reemstma Conference Room 213, at Columbia University Medical Center. There's no charge to attend and newcomers, families, and friends are always welcome. If you have questions, please contact Lisa Mainieri at 212-305-9470.

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