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**CHIPPEWA VALLEY HOSPITALS AND CLINICS ADDED TO THE ALLIANCE NETWORK TO EXPAND EMPLOYERS' HEALTH BENEFIT OPTIONS**

MADISON, Wis. (Jan. 3, 2018) – The Alliance has added three major health organizations in the Chippewa Valley to its provider network.

HSHS Sacred Heart Hospital, Eau Claire, Wis.; HSHS St. Joseph's Hospital, Chippewa Falls, Wis.; and 12 Prevea Health clinic locations became part of The Alliance provider network effective Jan. 1, 2018. The Prevea Health clinics are in their Western Division and are located in Eau Claire, Chippewa Falls, Menomonie, Mondovi, Augusta, Arcadia, Cornell and Ladysmith.

The Alliance expanded its network in the Chippewa Valley in response to employer requests. The expansion enables employers with headquarters or facilities in the Chippewa Valley to join The Alliance, a not-for-profit cooperative of employers who self-fund their health benefits.

The Alliance already has contracts with many other major health care providers in the Chippewa Valley, including Marshfield Clinic and OakLeaf Surgical Hospital.

“We look forward to helping employers achieve cost savings on health benefits by using The Alliance’s value-based approach to health care purchasing,” said Kyle Monroe, Alliance vice president, network development and provider relations.

Founded in 1990, The Alliance moves health care forward by controlling costs, improving quality and engaging individuals in their health. Its members include more than 240 businesses, school districts, municipalities and insurance trusts that provide coverage to over 85,000 individuals in Wisconsin, Illinois and Iowa. Its provider network includes more than 90 hospitals, 9,500 doctors and 18,300 professional service providers.

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**About HSHS St. Joseph's Hospital**

HSHS St. Joseph's Hospital is sponsored by Hospital Sisters Ministries, the Hospital Sisters of St. Francis is the Founding Institute, and it is an affiliate of Hospital Sisters Health System. Since 1885, it has served the people of the Chippewa Falls area with health care that is high tech and high touch. Known locally for the quality of the care it provides patients, the hospital has been recognized nationally for its outstanding patient satisfaction levels.

**About HSHS Sacred Heart Hospital**

HSHS Sacred Heart Hospital is sponsored by Hospital Sisters Ministries, the Hospital Sisters of St. Francis is the Founding Institute, and it is an affiliate of Hospital Sisters Health System. Since 1889, it has been meeting patient needs in western Wisconsin with the latest medical innovations and technology, together with a Franciscan whole-person healing tradition.

**About Prevea Health**

Prevea Health is a multi-specialty health care organization with 15 locations throughout western Wisconsin, including: Eau Claire, Chippewa Falls, Menomonie, Arcadia, Mondovi, Cornell, Ladysmith and Augusta. It offers a variety of health care services throughout the region – from urgent and primary care, to behavioral, cancer, women's, work medicine and infectious disease care - and more. Prevea is dedicated to providing care that is not only exceptional, but close to home. And, it partners with HSHS Sacred Heart Hospital in Eau Claire and HSHS St. Joseph's Hospital in Chippewa Falls to ensure the highest continuity of care for patients. For more information about Prevea Health, visit [www.prevea.com](http://www.prevea.com).