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Forest City Diagnostic Imaging joins *QualityPath* for CTs and MRIs

MADISON, Wis. (October 9, 2018) – **Forest City Diagnostic Imaging, Rockford, Ill.** has met the high quality standards required to offer CT and MRI scans through the *QualityPath*® program, effective Jan. 1, 2019.

QualityPath was developed by The Alliance, a cooperative of 240 employers with self-funded health benefit plans for employees and family members.

“Hospitals and clinics that offer CTs and MRIs through *QualityPath* make a significant commitment to providing high-quality CTs and MRIs,” The Alliance President and CEO Cheryl DeMars said. “They deliver the kind of high-value care that will help transform the health care marketplace by focusing on value.”

Forest City Diagnostic Imaging is the stateline area’s largest independent diagnostic imaging facility providing state of the art technology since 1998. They continually strive to establish a reputation of doing “whatever it takes” to consistently deliver the highest quality of services to patients and physicians on a timely basis.

“Forest City has been relentlessly committed to providing quality imaging and exceptional patient care for 20 years. Our patients deserve it and we deliver!” said Executive Vice President, Joseph B. Wabick of Forest City Diagnostic Imaging.

The Alliance launched the *QualityPath* program in 2015 with doctor-and-hospital designations for knee replacements and total hip replacements. *QualityPath* expanded to include CT and MRI scans on Jan. 1, 2017.

QualityPath for CTs and MRIs offers these benefits:

- **Eliminating out-of-pocket costs or deductibles for patients** on a traditional health plan when using *QualityPath* (savings vary for patients with a plan that has a health savings account).
- **Identifying high-quality care.** This care can make a significant difference in patients’ lives. For example, overuse of CT scans exposes people to unnecessary radiation; any exposure to radiation increases your lifetime risk of cancer.
- **Helping patients avoid wild variations in the price of CT and MRI scans.**
- **Providing a warranty** to protect patients from the cost of repeating the same scan due to quality issues.

Employers who are members of The Alliance can enroll in *QualityPath*, which is then offered to employees and family members enrolled in health plans that use The Alliance network.

A list of all participating doctors, hospitals and clinics is available on the *QualityPath* page of The Alliance website (www.qualitypath.com).

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Alliance President and CEO Cheryl DeMars is available for interviews on request.