



**BJC HealthCare and Saint Luke's Health System Sign Letter of Intent to Form Integrated Missouri-based Health System**

I am excited to share that BJC Healthcare has announced plans to come together with Saint Luke's Health System.

As the health care landscape continues to evolve rapidly, particularly in the wake of COVID-19, we asked ourselves what more we could do for our patients. We determined that by joining with Saint Luke's, a like-minded nonprofit hospital system based in Kansas City, Missouri, we will further improve the health and well-being of the communities we serve.

While this has exciting long-term benefits, BJC and Saint Luke's facilities will continue to serve their distinct markets and all hospitals and care centers will continue their day-to-day operations as usual. You will see no interruption in care or changes to your current providers. Eventually, we expect to increase access to more services and providers, while further developing innovative models of care, such as expanded virtual health capabilities and additional care sites.

This announcement is the first step in what will be a thoughtful process to bring our systems together. Moving forward, we expect to reach a definitive agreement with Saint Luke's in the coming months.

Thank you for being part of the BJC family. We are confident today's announcement is an important step to providing more of the extraordinary care that six million residents across Missouri and neighboring communities deserve.

Sincerely,

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