Sutter Health Allina Health

Advancing Care Together

Moving Forward to Strengthen Local, Nonprofit Care for Minnesota and Western Wisconsin Communities

Allina Health and Sutter Health are joining together with a shared vision grounded in a simple, yet powerful belief: people in Minnesota and western Wisconsin deserve a sustainable health system that provides access to high-quality affordable healthcare when and where they need it.

Following the negotiation of a Memorandum of Understanding including a 10-year oversight agreement, the Minnesota Attorney General's Office has completed its required regulatory review of our plans. On Jan. 1, 2027, Allina Health will become the Allina Health Upper Midwest Division of Sutter Health.

This partnership combines Allina Health's expertise, reach and deep community roots with Sutter's demonstrated capabilities and resources to create a stronger, more sustainable nonprofit healthcare future for Minnesota and western Wisconsin.

OUR ASPIRATIONS: DELIVERING ON OUR COMMITMENTS TO MINNESOTA

Allina Health and Sutter Health authored a letter to the community stating aspirations for how we will build a stronger future together for the communities we serve, including:



Investing $2.15 Billion to Expand Facilities, Services, Jobs and Access to Care

We will expand healthcare capacity to serve more patients across the Minneapolis-St. Paul metro area, Greater Minnesota and western Wisconsin, with a goal to make healthcare easier to access, closer to where people live and work, delivered in ways that fit the realities of their lives, and more affordable.

We will make an initial wave of more than $500 million in investment focused on expanding services at existing sites of care and adding new ambulatory services and integrated mental health capacity, supported by the anticipated recruitment of to 500 physicians, clinicians and support staff, to serve more patients and reduce appointment wait times.



Strengthening Rural Healthcare Through a $150 Million Investment

Rural healthcare is essential to the vitality of Minnesota communities. We will strengthen rural healthcare access, expand specialty outreach, support virtual care capabilities and enhance care coordination throughout Greater Minnesota. We will also pursue expansion of Allina Health's residency programs to address the physician shortage in rural areas, subject to required accreditation approvals.



Expanding Mental Health and Addiction Care for Thousands of Patients

We will continue scaling Allina Health's fully virtual addiction therapy program and expand services available through the Center for Mental Health and Addiction on Mercy Hospital's Unity Campus in Fridley, MN. Mental health and addiction care should not exist separately from overall healthcare and require collaboration and partnership with government and community partners.



Developing a Minnesota-Based Innovation Center to Strengthen Industry Collaboration

Minnesota has long been recognized as one of the nation's leading healthcare innovation ecosystems. This new center will complement the state's existing leadership and work together with Sutter Health's existing Innovation Center in San Francisco to focus on practical solutions that improve patient outcomes, enhance safety, reduce administrative burden and help caregivers spend more time with patients.



Investing $50 Million to Develop Allina Health's Healthcare Workforce

Allina Health's workforce is exceptional, and we are excited by the opportunity to further invest in the existing workforce and grow and train a pipeline of healthcare talent in Minnesota. This investment will support workforce development, education, training, career mobility, leadership development, future-ready skills and more.

These are just some of the ways we will work together to accelerate our vision to be our community's most trusted health ally and make an even greater impact on the communities we serve. We look forward to partnering to strengthen healthcare in Minnesota and western Wisconsin communities for generations to come.

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