

OSF HealthCare to open hospital in Peru

First phase includes emergency services, inpatient beds and several ancillary inpatient services

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(January 29, 2024 | PEORIA, Ill.) – More than a year after it closed, Peru's hospital is reopening as OSF HealthCare Saint Elizabeth Medical Center – Peru.

The hospital, located at 925 West St., is tentatively scheduled to open April 7, with emergency services and limited inpatient beds. Diagnostic imaging, laboratory, pharmacy, EKG and respiratory will be available to serve the patients in the ED and inpatient unit. Additional programs and services will become available later in a second phase. There are still many elements that will need to be finalized before officially opening. OSF is appreciative of the collaboration between many entities throughout the state of Illinois and within the Illinois Valley.

"After much planning and preparation, we are excited to open this new OSF campus," said August Querciagrossa, CEO of Western Region, OSF HealthCare. "All along, our goal has been to preserve and sustain access to high-quality, local health care for the residents of the Illinois Valley. Today is a significant milestone in the history of our Ministry."

In addition to the hospital, OSF HealthCare acquired the former Midtown Plaza complex, Midtown Clinic and Granville Clinic. These sites opened last July and included OSF PromptCare, OSF Medical Group — Primary Care locations, OSF Occupational Health and OSF Rehabilitation. Other new primary care locations opened this month in Spring Valley and Oglesby, along with OSF Medical Group — Obstetrics & Gynecology in Peru. OSF HealthCare has hired more than 450 former employees, physicians and advanced medical providers of St. Margaret's Health to staff the hospital and other locations.

OSF HealthCare has a strong presence in the Illinois Valley, also serving residents of Mendota, Princeton, Ottawa, Marseilles and Streator with 24/7 emergency services, primary and specialty care, prompt care, OSF OnCall Urgent Care and 24/7 digital urgent care, nurse triage and other types of care.

"OSF HealthCare has provided care to the Illinois Valley and surrounding communities for some time now," says Dawn Trompeter, president of OSF HealthCare Saint Elizabeth Medical Center and OSF HealthCare Saint Paul Medical Center. "We are excited to expand our partnership with these communities to provide a local source of health care with all the benefits of a nationally recognized system."

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OSF HealthCare is an integrated health system founded by The Sisters of the Third Order of St. Francis. Headquartered in Peoria, Illinois. OSF HealthCare has 16 hospitals – 10 acute care, five critical access, one transitional care - with 2,131 licensed beds throughout Illinois and Michigan. OSF employs nearly 24,000 Mission Partners across 150+ locations; has two colleges of nursing; operates OSF Home Care Services, an extensive network of home health and hospice services; owns Pointcore, Inc., comprised of health care-related businesses; OSF HealthCare Foundation, the philanthropic arm for the organization; and OSF Ventures, which provides investment capital for promising health care innovation startups. In 2020, OSF OnCall was established, a digital health operating unit, including a hospital-at-home. OSF OnCall delivers care and services when, where and how patients prefer to receive them. OSF HealthCare has been recognized by *Fortune* as one of the most innovative companies in the country. More at osfhealthcare.org