

Transcript for Media Clips for OSF HealthCare-Illinois State Connected Communities Initiative

Bob Sehring, CEO of OSF HealthCare

Research options through this collaboration should attract individuals who are interested in solving health care challenges.

“How do we get better information from the patient who is at home? How do we create other technology in the hospital, again to provide enhanced treatment options? How do we think about cybersecurity; unfortunately we have to because we want to keep everybody’s patient data safe, so those types of individuals are critically important.” (:22)

Dr. John Vozenilek, VP and CMO, OSF Innovation & Digital Health

The academic collaboration should result in innovative solutions and the potential to create new intellectual property the two organizations can share and that results in new, local businesses.

“We anticipate in our future, here in Bloomington-Normal, and in the broader Central Illinois communities, investment takes hold, businesses are formed, jobs are created and people start to converge on these wonderful ideas that are born from this agreement.” (:16)

Lynn Fulton, OSF HealthCare St. Joseph Medical Center President

Frontline caregivers will welcome the help from experts available through the new this new collaboration.

“You’d be surprised when you get a lot of people together, with big brains, and really talk about a problem; that outside perspective can sometimes be a catalyst for change.” (:13)

Aondover Tarhule (OOO-duh-vey TAR-hoo-lee), Illinois State University Interim President

The partnership will build on Illinois State’s expertise in education, health, cybersecurity, data science, engineering and business.

“If you think about the intellectual bandwidth that it takes to do high-quality, groundbreaking research, it makes sense that the more people you can bring together ... the more perspectives, the variety of methodologies and ideas that you can put together, the greater the likelihood you have of solving these very complicated problems.”

Craig McLauchlan, Associate VP for Research & Graduate Studies, Illinois State University

Research projects will attract students and faculty from a variety of disciplines.

"I think that this partnership will really open the eyes of a whole number of different majors who might not traditionally think about health care, to ways that they can contribute to betterment of the world and a healthier society." (:14)