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AllSpire Health Partners Names First President

Paul J. Tirjan brings more than 20 years of executive leadership experience to the regional partnership

Allentown, Pa. (July 22, 2016) - AllSpire Health Partners (AHP) today announced that Paul J. Tirjan, a seasoned and accomplished health care executive and entrepreneur, has been named the first president of the interstate consortium of health systems in Pennsylvania and New Jersey.

In his new role, Tirjan will provide strategic leadership, start-up expertise and operational project oversight for this partnership that comprises five leading systems in the Northeast.

“I am honored to be a part of realizing the vision of the founding members of AllSpire Health Partners, Tirjan says. “The opportunity to leverage the vast collective knowledge and extensive capabilities of these organizations to build a coherent innovation and efficiency collaboration machine is extraordinary and energizing.”

Tirjan has served as vice president of ambulatory care at Universal Health Services, Inc. (UHS), a Fortune 500 health services company located in King of Prussia, Pa., for the past three years. He will begin his new role at AllSpire on Aug. 8.

“This is another indication of the commitment AllSpire Health Partners members have to further developing and growing the alliance,” said Brian Nester, DO, MBA, FACOEP, chair, AHP’s executive committee and president and CEO of Lehigh Valley Health Network, one of five AHP members. “Paul’s history as a successful health care entrepreneur fits well with AHP’s mission to help its members develop new solutions for today’s ever-changing health care environment. We are excited to have Paul build a team that is focused full-time on harnessing the strengths of our members.”

In his position at UHS, Tirjan has been responsible for the overall ambulatory care strategy, development, growth and profitability for the hospital management company. UHS’ ambulatory portfolio under Tirjan’s direction included free-standing emergency departments, urgent care centers, ambulatory surgery centers, imaging centers, radiation oncology, rehabilitation, wound

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care, retail pharmacy, home health, telemedicine, and variety of data, technology, infrastructure and programs to support population health management.

During his career, Tirjan has served in a variety of executive management positions with a diversified range of companies pioneering “state-of-the-art“ diagnostic cardiology and patient monitoring systems, and growing companies from small start-up operations to profitable publicly traded companies.

Immediately prior to UHS, Tirjan was chief executive officer at WirelessDx, where he launched a multinational diagnostic company from concept through acquisition. Previously, as vice president at CardioNet, he helped turn a \$7 million revenue diagnostic service company into a \$40 million revenue company ready for its IPO in just two years.

Earlier in his career he co-founded and led diversified healthcare provider Quaker Health Services as president for eight years and served as director of Venture Investments at San Francisco based life-science venture capital fund Burrill & Company.

Tirjan earned an MBA from the Wharton School of Business at the University of Pennsylvania and a BA from the University of Pennsylvania.

“Paul brings to AllSpire more than 20 years of entrepreneurial experience building healthcare, medical technology and life science companies,” says Ed Dougherty, chair, AHP’s development committee, and senior vice president and chief business development officer for LVHN. “He is a visionary, disciplined, strategic thinker and motivational team leader who will help AllSpire achieve its mission for the benefit of the communities it serves.”

AllSpire Health Partners was created in 2013 to implement the “Triple Aim” which, as defined by the Institute for Healthcare Improvement, consists of improving the experience for the patient, improving the health of the population and creating more affordable health care. The combined intellectual assets of AllSpire Health Partners are expected to elevate quality, reduce care costs and facilitate the shift to a regional population health focus.

Health systems participating in AllSpire include:

- Atlantic Health System (Morristown, N.J.)
- Hackensack Meridian Health (Hackensack and Neptune, N.J.)
- Lehigh Valley Health Network (Allentown, Pa.)
- Reading Health System (Reading, Pa.)
- WellSpan Health (York, Pa.)

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