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## ROCHESTER RHIO EXPANDING TO 2 NEW RURAL HOSPITALS—MEDINA MEMORIAL AND ST. JAMES MERCY

*Rochester, N.Y.* – Community hospitals in Orleans and Steuben counties are now part of Rochester RHIO’s health information exchange, making medical-care data more easily accessible to a patient’s complete medical team.

With these additions, all 15 hospitals in the 10-county Rochester RHIO service area – along with lab networks, health-insurance companies and other data providers – supply patient information to the exchange. Rochester RHIO has grown to serve more than 3,000 authorized health care providers and over 900 physicians.

Physicians and their staffs use Rochester RHIO to view essential patient-care information such as lab reports, test results, medication history, demographic information, radiology images and reports, hospital discharge summaries, and elder services data. The information is available over secure Internet connections wherever physicians need it to provide their patients high-quality care.

Medina Memorial is a 100-bed hospital in Medina, N.Y. (Orleans County). St. James Mercy has 232 inpatient beds in Hornell, N.Y. (Steuben County). Both will provide laboratory results, radiology results, medication history information, and hospital reports including discharge summaries.

RHIO’s health information exchange helps make routine office visits run more smoothly—and helps physicians make better-informed treatment decisions in an emergency. Patients benefit from fewer repeated tests, easier second opinions, a reduced risk of mistakes caused by illegible hand writing, and more informed care during emergencies.

“Rochester RHIO’s regional exchange supports care for every patient in our community, wherever they live”, said Ted Kremer, executive director of Rochester RHIO. “No matter where a patient goes for treatment, our goal is to continue to add information to the exchange, and enable physicians with the accessibility to accurate, up-to-date information on their patients.”

### About Rochester RHIO

Rochester RHIO is a secure electronic health information exchange serving authorized medical providers and consenting patients in Monroe, Genesee, Livingston, Ontario, Orleans, Seneca, Steuben, Wayne, Wyoming and Yates counties

in Upstate New York. It makes health information available wherever and whenever needed to provide patients the best care.

Physicians and patients can learn more about Rochester RHIO by visiting [RochesterRHIO.org](http://RochesterRHIO.org) or by calling 877-865-RHIO (7446).

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