15 Recent Hospital Mergers & Acquisitions

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The following hospital mergers and acquisitions took place within the past two weeks, beginning with the most recent.

1. West Penn Allegheny Expects Approval on Highmark Affiliation by Fall

Pittsburgh-based West Penn Allegheny Health System announced it expects approval of its affiliation with Highmark, also based in Pittsburgh, by fall.

2. Prime Withdraws Bid for Christ Hospital in N.J.

Ontario, Calif.-based Prime Healthcare withdrew its offer to purchase Christ Hospital in Jersey City, N.J.

3. St. Joseph Medical Narrows Partner Search

St. Joseph Medical Center in Towson, Md., narrowed its search for a strategic partner to three candidates.

4. St. Luke's, Warren Hospital Finalize Merger

St. Luke's Hospital and Health Network, based in Bethlehem, Pa., and Warren Hospital in Phillipsburg, N.J., officially merged.

5. Huntsville Hospital to Purchase Hartselle Medical Center

Huntsville (Ala.) Hospital announced plans to purchase 150-bed Hartselle (Ala.) Medical Center.

6. Providence Health, Swedish Health Finalize Affiliation

Providence Health & Services, based in Renton, Wash., and Seattle-based Swedish Health Services finalized their affiliation.

7. Community Health Systems Forms Commonwealth Health

Community Health Systems, based in Franklin, Tenn., announced the formation of a regional healthcare system, Commonwealth Health.

8. Merit Health Systems Finalizes Sale of Nix Health

Louisville, Ky.-based Merit Health Systems, finalized the sale of its Nix Health Care System, based in San Antonio, to Prospect Medical Holdings in Los Angeles.

9. HCA Acquires Galichia Heart Hospital in Kansas

Nashville, Tenn.-based Hospital Corporation of America acquired Galichia Heart Hospital in Wichita, Kan.

10. Skaggs Regional Medical Center in Missouri Seeks Partner

Skaggs Regional Medical Center in Branson, Mo., announced plans to seek a strategic partner.

11. University of Colorado Hospital, Poudre Valley Health Finalize Joint Venture

Poudre Valley Health System in Fort Collins, Colo., and University of Colorado Hospital in Aurora, completed a joint operating agreement creating University of Colorado Health.

12. Indiana's Community Health Network and Howard Regional Health System Sign Letter of Intent to Affiliate

James P. Alexander, president and CEO of Howard Regional Health System in Kokomo, Ind., and Bryan Mills, president and CEO of Community Health Network, based in Indianapolis, announced a formal affiliation between the two organizations.

13. Ashland Community Hospital in Oregon Seeks Partner

Ashland (Ore.) Community Hospital considered proposals from five health systems to partner or form an alliance.

14. Jersey City Medical Center Bids \$104M for Christ Hospital

Jersey City (N. J.) Medical Center collaborated with Community Healthcare Associates in Bloomfield, N.J., to offer a \$104 million bid on Christ Hospital.

15. Auburn Memorial to Explore Partnership with Rochester General Hospital

Auburn (N.Y.) Memorial Hospital announced a potential affiliation with Rochester (N.Y.) General Health System.

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