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Lake City Family Physicians and Olmsted Medical Center are joining together to serve Lake City and surrounding communities

We are proud to announce Lake City Family Physicians will be joining Olmsted Medical Center (OMC). The providers at Lake City Family Physicians have developed strong relationships with their patients and the communities they serve. OMC is looking forward to working with the providers and staff at Lake City Family Physicians to strengthen those relationships.

The clinic began the transition to join OMC in July and will officially become part of the healthcare system by the end of 2017. This will bring to 11 the number of branch clinics in Southeastern Minnesota where an OMC clinic provides healthcare access, convenience, and choice for residents.

The Lake City clinic will continue providing family medicine, obstetrics and women's health, occupational medicine, as well as in-house lab and diagnostic radiology. Additional specialty services, including orthopedics, will also be available at the clinic.

Patients in the Lake City area will continue to receive care from Douglas Pflaum, MD, and Thomas Ziebarth, MD, as well as from Crystal Boe, APRN, CNP, and Jennifer Hust, APRN, FNP-C. In addition, patients will have access to all of OMC's specialty care services in Rochester, such as cardiology, women's health, BirthCenter, sleep medicine, neurology, and many others.

"Lake City has been extremely supportive of the care our clinic provides in the community," stated Dr. Pflaum. "And, Dr. Ziebarth and I feel strongly that we can continue providing quality care to our patients, as well as assure that primary care is accessible in Lake City well into the future. We both have lived and worked in Lake City for decades. Our children were born and raised here and we have deep ties to this community not only through our medical practice, but also through the schools, the churches, and the businesses. We are excited to welcome OMC's commitment to primary care to Lake City."

Dr. Ziebarth said, "The services that OMC provides align very well with the needs of our patients here. The resources that will be available to our area through OMC will benefit our patients and our staff. I am pleased to join Olmsted Medical Center because of their proven record of providing primary and secondary care in the region."

"We are very pleased to welcome Dr. Pflaum and Dr. Ziebarth and the entire staff of Lake City Family Physicians to the OMC family," said Tim Weir, Chief Executive Officer of Olmsted Medical Center. "Olmsted Medical Center is committed to the residents of southeastern Minnesota, and we want to be their hometown healthcare provider of choice. And, when needed, we are committed to providing timely and easy access to specialty care services at any other OMC location including Rochester, MN. Drs. Pflaum and Ziebarth have expressed a strong desire to ensure continued access to high-quality primary care to residents of Lake City and the surrounding communities. I see this relationship as a great fit with our mission. We look forward to working together to offer exceptional patient care focusing on caring, quality, and service to the residents of Lake City."

Patients will continue to call the same phone number to book appointments at the clinic, which will be open Monday through Friday from 8:00 AM – 5:00 PM. The clinic is located at 507 W. Doughty Street, Lake City, MN.

For media interviews with one of the Lake City physicians, contact Douglas Pflaum, MD, or Thomas Ziebarth, MD at 651.345.2350, and for interviews with someone from OMC in Rochester, contact Marketing/Communication at 507.292.7203.

About OMC

Olmsted Medical Center's mission is to deliver exceptional patient care that focuses on caring, quality, safety, and service. It has been southeastern Minnesota's hometown healthcare provider since 1949. OMC's 160 clinicians join over 1,200 other healthcare professionals serving over 20 locations, including two multi-specialty clinics, a Level IV trauma hospital with 24-hour emergency room, two FastCare retail clinics in Rochester Shopko stores, a Skyway Clinic in downtown Rochester, and our community branch clinics.

OMC has more than 25 specialties and is best known for its convenient, quality personal primary care. Each year, the Olmsted Medical Center team sees over 324,000 patients, performs over 4,000 major surgical operations, cares for 25,000 patients in our Emergency Care department, and delivers nearly 1,000 babies.