

## Capital BlueCross Collaborates with St. Luke's University Health Network to Offer New Health Plan for Large Employers

**Harrisburg, Pa.** – Capital BlueCross today announced it is collaborating with St. Luke's University Health Network to offer an Exclusive Provider Organization (EPO) health insurance plan for employers with 51 or more employees. The new plan connects customers with the high quality benefits and services of Capital BlueCross and the renowned doctors and hospitals of St. Luke's clinically integrated network.

The partnership between Capital BlueCross and St. Luke's University Health Network is designed to bring customers the highest standard of care, while lowering out-of-pocket and chronic care costs. For large employers, it offers the ability to customize their plan to meet the needs of their employees.

"As a community-based health insurer with national capabilities, we are committed to providing the best possible coverage with access to high quality, cost effective care," said Gary D. St. Hilaire, president and CEO, Capital BlueCross. "By collaborating with St. Luke's University Health Network on an Exclusive Provider Organization product, we are able to provide large employers with a new option for industry leading health care services for their employees locally as well as across the country through the national Blue network."

Capital BlueCross' EPO plan in collaboration with St. Luke's will include:

- High standard of integrated care from renowned doctors and hospitals
- Collaboration between Capital BlueCross care guides and St. Luke's doctors to lead EPO members to better health, while lowering costs
- Freedom to see a provider within the EPO network without a referral
- Rewards for employees when they participate in Capital BlueCross' Healthy Rewards Program

"St. Luke's is comprised of a large teaching hospital, seven associated hospital campuses, and a network of over 250 out-patient locations. We look forward to working with Capital BlueCross to better enable large employers of the Lehigh Valley and surrounding areas to provide their employees with easy access to high quality health care," said Dean Evans, President of St. Luke's Physician Group.

Employers interested in learning more about Capital BlueCross' EPO plan in collaboration with St. Luke's can call 1.800.962.2242 to speak with a Capital BlueCross account executive.

### About Capital BlueCross

Capital BlueCross, headquartered in Harrisburg, Pa., is the leading health solutions and insurance company in Central Pennsylvania and the Lehigh Valley. A partner in the community's health for nearly 80 years, Capital BlueCross offers health insurance products, services and technology solutions that provide peace of mind to consumers and promote health and wellness for our customers.

More than a health insurer, the company delivers innovative solutions through a family of diversified businesses that is creating a healthier future and lowering health care costs. Among these solutions are patient-focused care models, leading-edge data analytics, and digital health technologies. Additionally, Capital BlueCross is growing a network of Capital Blue stores that provide in-person service and inspiration to help people reach their health goals. Capital BlueCross is an independent licensee of the BlueCross BlueShield Association.

### St. Luke's University Health Network

Founded in 1872, [St. Luke's University Health Network External Site Disclaimer](#) (SLUHN) is a non-profit, regional, fully integrated and nationally recognized network providing services at seven hospitals and more than 270 outpatient sites. The network's service area includes Lehigh, Northampton, Carbon, Schuylkill, Bucks, Montgomery, Berks and Monroe counties in Pennsylvania and in Warren County in New Jersey. Dedicated to advancing health education, St. Luke's operates the nation's oldest School of Nursing and 22 graduate medical educational programs and is considered a major teaching hospital, the only one in the region. In partnership with Temple University, St. Luke's created the region's first Medical School. Repeatedly, including 2016, St. Luke's has earned Truven's 100 Top Major Teaching Hospital designation as well as 50 Top Cardiovascular program in addition to other honors for clinical excellence. St. Luke's is a multi-year recipient of the Most Wired award recognizing the breadth of St. Luke's information technology applications such as electronic medical records, telehealth, online scheduling and pricing information. St. Luke's is also recognized as one of the state's

lowest cost providers in comparison to major teaching hospitals and other health systems.

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