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MEDIA ALERT: Rogers Behavioral Health offers mental health care and expert guidance during COVID-19 pandemic

Providing telehealth, resources for employees, and new job opportunities

(April 21, 2020 Oconomowoc, Wis.) The COVID-19 pandemic and the associated economic downturn are causing a host of mental health conditions among the public and front-line first responders alike.

Rogers Behavioral Health remains committed to meeting the mental health needs of its patients, employees, and communities, in this time of crisis.

As emergency rooms and other healthcare organizations become increasingly overwhelmed, Rogers is focused on supporting communities by providing highly specialized, evidence-based mental health and addiction treatment that is critically needed at this time.

Rogers also can provide details and examples of how Rogers Connect Care is now providing a telehealth treatment option for patients, enabling them to receive care from the safety of their homes.

Now virtually serving more than 800 patients across the U.S., Rogers Connect Care provides a secure virtual environment that ensures privacy while allowing patients to continue therapeutic group-based and individual treatment. Learn more at <u>rogersbh.org/connectcare</u>.

Rogers will also make its renowned multidisciplinary team of mental health experts available to the media as sources of timely guidance to help the public recognize and cope with a series of conditions.

Each week, Rogers will send out a media alert focusing on a specific mental health condition. The topics in the series will include:

- Post-Traumatic Stress Syndrome, especially among frontline first responders.
- Isolation, especially among elderly.
- Alcohol and chemical abuse.
- Overeating.
- Domestic abuse.
- Depression.
- Anxiety.
- Fear.
- Boredom, especially among children.

In addition, Rogers continues to accept patients to inpatient and residential levels of care when appropriate and has immediate availability in several programs.



In addition to its headquarters in Oconomowoc, WI, Rogers provides mental health care services at facilities in Appleton, Brown Deer, Kenosha, Madison, and West Allis, WI, as well as San Francisco, Los Angeles and San Diego, CA; Tampa and Miami, FL; Atlanta, GA; Skokie and Hinsdale, IL; Minneapolis and St. Paul, MN; Philadelphia, PA; and Nashville, TN.

MEDIA ADVISORY: B-roll is available at <u>www.rogersbh.org/connectcare</u>. To learn more about Rogers Connect Care telehealth or arrange an interview with a Rogers Behavioral Health board-certified psychiatrist, contact Anne Ballentine at <u>anne.ballentine@rogersbh.org</u> or 262-395-5546.

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About treatment at Rogers

With admissions occurring within hours, patients at Rogers receive direct access to boardcertified psychiatrists and specialized treatment from a multidisciplinary team of mental health experts. Together they work with children and families to provide necessary medications and compassionate care. Free screenings are the first step in the admissions process by calling 800-767-4411 or requesting a screening at<u>rogersbh.org</u>.

Rogers Behavioral Health is a nationally recognized, not-for-profit provider of highly specialized psychiatric care. Rogers offers evidence-based treatment for children, teens, and adults with OCD and anxiety, addiction, depression and other mood disorders, eating disorders, trauma, and PTSD in a growing network of communities across the U.S. Backed by more than a century of experience, Rogers is leading the way on measurement-based care and use of clinical outcomes. Learn more at rogersbh.org.