Hospital Association of Rhode Island Announces Membership of Lifespan Hospitals

Providence, R.I., June 16, 2022—The Hospital Association of Rhode Island (HARI), a statewide trade organization that assists member hospitals in effectively meeting the health care needs of Rhode Island, announced this week that Lifespan health system has rejoined the trade association.

Formed in 1994, Lifespan is a not-for-profit health system comprised of three teaching hospitals of The Warren Alpert Medical School of Brown University: Rhode Island Hospital and its Hasbro Children's Hospital; The Miriam Hospital; and Bradley Hospital, the nation's first psychiatric hospital for children; Newport Hospital; Gateway Healthcare; Lifespan Physician Group; and Coastal Medical.

"Hospitals and health care providers in Rhode Island and nationally are experiencing extraordinary change and facing the most challenging time in modern history. Our workforce is stretched thin, medical costs are increasing significantly, and demand for critical services such as behavioral health far exceeds supply," said Arthur Sampson, president and chief executive office of Lifespan. "A collective effort is imperative to protecting our providers and preserving quality care for our patients. Lifespan shares HARI's priorities and looks forward to working with the other member hospitals on rebuilding and transforming health care in Rhode Island for years to come."

"As a member driven organization of fourteen (14) acute care and specialty hospitals we know that our strength lies in our work together. Lifespan's membership is significant as it will allow health systems and hospitals in Rhode Island to collaborate on important issues confronting the healthcare industry and promote better care for Rhode Islanders at every stage of life," said Teresa Paiva Weed, President of HARI.