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## **Proctor Hospital Joins the Central Illinois Health Information Exchange**

(Peoria, IL) – Proctor Hospital has joined the Central Illinois Health Information Exchange (CIHIE) as a Charter Member. CIHIE is a non-profit subsidiary of Quality Quest for Health of Illinois. Health Information Exchange (HIE) is the process of securely sharing patient information from electronic medical records, insurance claims and other sources (such as prescribing information) in an electronic format between healthcare providers. A patient must give consent in order for confidential records to be shared within an HIE.

“We are pleased to have Proctor Hospital join our efforts to make patient care better,” said Dr. Gail Amundson, President and CEO of Quality Quest. “Sharing medical information between healthcare providers enhances coordination between caregivers, helps prevent duplication of services, lowers medical errors, and helps to reduce medical costs.”

“We are very excited to work with the other charter members to establish a system where everyone involved in a patient’s care will have the information they need,” said Paul Macek, President and CEO of Proctor Hospital.

In addition to Proctor Hospital, the current Charter Members of CIHIE are Advocate BroMenn Medical Center in Normal, Decatur Memorial Hospital, Easter Seals, the Human Service Center - a subsidiary of Fayette Companies, Methodist Medical Center of Illinois, OSF Saint Francis Medical Center, St. Mary’s Hospital in Streator, St. Mary’s Hospital in Decatur, and University of Illinois College of Medicine at Peoria. Organizations interested in learning more about Charter Member opportunities may contact David Miller at 309-251-6491.

### **About Quality Quest for Health of Illinois**

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