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Allegiance Health System Announces Affiliation with Ochsner Health to Expand Access and Innovation Across Rural Louisiana

Ruston, LA — (Thursday, December 18, 2025) — Ruston, LA — (Thursday, December 18, 2025) — Allegiance Health System (AHS) and its network of hospital facilities are proud to announce that they have signed a Letter of Intent (LOI) to enter into an affiliation with Ochsner Health (Ochsner) to enhance patient care coordination and clinical innovation throughout rural Louisiana. This collaboration represents a mutual focus on solving the healthcare challenges facing rural communities, enhancing access to care and improving health outcomes and the quality of life for patients the organizations serve.

“This affiliation reinforces our shared mission—to ensure that patients in rural Louisiana receive the same level of quality, innovation, and expertise found in major metropolitan centers,” said Rock Bordelon, President, Allegiance Health System. “By aligning with Ochsner, we are strengthening both the quality and the sustainability of healthcare delivery across the region.”

TOGETHER, AHS AND OCHSNER SEEK TO:

- ▶ Serve more lives and improve access to care across the continuum, from primary to specialty and high-acuity services.
- ▶ Support patients managing chronic or complex health challenges and their caregivers through innovative care models and population health collaborations.
- ▶ Improve care coordination by sharing clinical expertise, research, digital tools, electronic health records and technology.
- ▶ Connect local care teams to specialists through advanced telemedicine programs such as Telestroke.



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“This collaboration is founded on a mutual commitment to serving patients and enhancing the delivery of healthcare services in rural Louisiana through collaboration and shared expertise,” said Pete November, President & CEO, Ochsner Health. “By combining resources and leveraging technology, we are expanding access to care, supporting local providers, and ensuring patients can receive the right care at the right time, close to home.”

This affiliation is not a merger or acquisition, allowing AHS and Ochsner to remain independent and maintain their current ownership, operations, financial and management responsibilities. The organizations will work together on initiatives that improve care, support caregivers, and help ensure rural communities have access to healthcare for generations to come.

ABOUT ALLEGIANCE HEALTH SYSTEM

Allegiance Health System is a Louisiana-based healthcare management organization operating hospitals and medical facilities across rural markets in Louisiana, Texas, and Mississippi. Allegiance is committed to delivering compassionate, high-quality, and accessible healthcare close to home—supporting local communities and advancing clinical excellence through strategic partnerships and innovation.

ABOUT OCHSNER HEALTH

[Ochsner Health](#) is the leading nonprofit healthcare provider in Louisiana, Mississippi and across the Gulf South, delivering expert care at its 47 hospitals and more than 370 health and urgent care centers. Ochsner is [nationally recognized](#) for inspiring healthier lives and stronger communities through expertise, quality and digital connectivity. In 2024, more than 40,000 dedicated team members and 4,900 employed and affiliated physicians at Ochsner cared for 1.6 million people from every state in the nation and 63 countries. To learn more about how Ochsner empowers people to get well and stay well, visit www.ochsner.org/.

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