

Buffalo Medical Group Statement on Kaleida, ECMC Consolidation Agreement

The Buffalo Medical Group Board of Directors commends and congratulates Kaleida Health and Erie County Medical Center on this landmark agreement to create a vibrant new health care system that will serve Western New York for decades to come.

We also would like to acknowledge the extraordinary efforts by physicians representing both organizations for the critical role they played in the successful conclusion to the consolidation discussions.

As the largest private physician practice in the region, BMG is ecstatic about the agreement and enthusiastically endorses and embraces the vision to develop Centers of Excellence and a health system the likes of which has never existed previously in our region.

We urge all those involved in the process to build on the spirit of cooperation that now exists and develop working relationships that will ensure a new sense of unity for years to come. With that in mind, the BMG Board of Directors firmly believes that a health care delivery model that would best serve the interests of Western New Yorkers is one which involves mutual and equal participation by community and academic medicine physicians.

We look forward to engaging in future discussions in that regard.

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