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Almost Home

YOU HELP OUR PATIENTS REGAIN THEIR INDEPENDENCE

When you support the HSHS
St. Clare Foundation, you invest
in excellent care, right here in
Oconto Falls. That generosity is
the cornerstone of services like the
Almost Home program at HSHS St.
Clare Memorial Hospital.

Almost Home is a comprehensive rehabilitation program. It helps patients regain the skills and function they need to safely return home.

Whether they are recovering from major surgery, stroke, or something else, our patients are regaining their independence because of you.

The patient's medical needs are managed by an internal medicine

physician, referred to as a hospitalist, based at HSHS St. Clare Memorial Hospital. The hospitalist is available on-site to provide oversight and direction for medical care, nursing care and therapy.

Nursing team members assist in guiding the patient's daily care needs such as IV antibiotics, application of wound or incision dressings, medication administration and instructions and much more.

Experienced therapists craft individualized plans for every patient. Together, they work on goals like improving balance and performing

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daily tasks. Every accomplishment is one step closer to returning home.

While care in the Almost Home program may take place over an extended time, it doesn't have to be boring. Thanks to you, Almost Home provides a variety of engaging activities like board games, craft supplies, and audio books. Twice-weekly group activities foster camaraderie and connection, making their stay feel a little more like home.

None of this would be possible without your support. Because of you, patients have an option outside of a nursing home for their recovery. You offer the right care in a comfortable setting so they can return home safely.





2023 Performance Leadership award

YOUR GENEROSITY FUELS OUR COMMITMENT TO EXCEPTIONAL CARE

We're thrilled to share some fantastic news with you: HSHS St. Clare Memorial Hospital earned a 2023 Performance Leadership Award. This recognition, given by The Chartis Center for Rural Health, honors top performing rural hospitals that excel in quality, outcomes, and/or patient perspective.

Your generosity empowers us to uphold our commitment to delivering the best care to community members like you. "At HSHS St. Clare Memorial Hospital, we take pride in providing our patients the highest quality of care - the type of care our neighbors and visitors deserve and expect," said Chris Brabant, President and CEO, HSHS St. Clare Memorial Hospital. "This award is a great example of our commitment to providing high quality, accessible health care in Oconto County."

Your support is the cornerstone of our success. It enables us to invest in resources and initiatives that guarantee we meet the evolving needs of our community. You empower us to provide exceptional care and ensure it remains accessible to all who need it.



Leaving lasting impressions

MARGARET'S OUTSTANDING EXPERIENCE

Margaret is a familiar face at HSHS St. Clare Memorial Hospital. In November 2023, she underwent a routine procedure and couldn't say enough good things about the experience.

From check-in to post-procedure, Margaret experienced compassionate care that went above and beyond. "In every interaction, from the first greeting to the last goodbye, staff members showed genuine concern for my well-being," she recalled.

One thing REALLY stood out to her, though. She received a heartfelt note signed by those who cared for her and it left a lasting impression. "That moment will always stick out in my mind," she says.

"As a Crivitz resident, I appreciate the friendly and compassionate service at St. Clare," Margaret expressed. "It's familiar to me, and I've come to know the people there. But this experience was above and beyond." She added that HSHS St. Clare Memorial Hospital provides the high-quality care she expects without the drive to Green Bay or somewhere else.

Margaret, along with her family and friends, confidently recommends HSHS St. Clare Memorial Hospital—a testament to the importance of your continued support. Because your commitment to our hospital ensures these vital services stay close to home.



Double or triple your impact

ASK YOUR EMPLOYER ABOUT MATCHING GIFTS!

Did you know that your employer may match your gift to the HSHS St. Clare Foundation? Matching gifts occur when a company makes their own donation matching the charitable contribution of an employee to a nonprofit organization.

If you (or your spouse) work for a company like this, your gift could be **DOUBLED** or even **TRIPLED!**



THIS PROCESS IS SIMPLE:

- 1. If your company matches charitable contributions, ask your HR department about the process. Some companies will provide you with a matching gift form or direct you to an online platform.
- 2. After completing the form, send it along with your gift to the HSHS St. Clare Foundation (forms are also accepted after you send the gift).
- 3. The Foundation confirms on the form that it has been received and meets the company's guidelines for receiving a matching gift.
- 4. The Foundation then returns the form to the company.
- 5. The company verifies eligibility and sends a check to the HSHS St. Clare Foundation.

For more information on matching gifts, please contact us at

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