SSM Health names new Medical Group President for Wisconsin Region Mark Thompson, MD to lead physician groups in Wisconsin

Madison, WI (August 6, 2019) – Following an extensive search, SSM Health is pleased to announce that Mark Thompson, MD has been named President, Medical Groups – SSM Health Wisconsin Region. Currently SSM Health Chief Medical Officer, Dr. Thompson brings more than 20 years of health care experience both as a physician and leader to his expanded role.

Effective immediately, Dr. Thompson will be responsible for directing physician and advance practice services within the clinics and ambulatory settings throughout our Wisconsin region. He will work closely with his SSM Health hospital counterpart, Kerry Swanson, Regional COO-Hospital Operations. Both report to Wisconsin Regional President, Damond Boatwright.

"Dr. Thompson has earned a reputation as a senior physician executive skilled in guiding health systems in clinical leadership, quality, safety, work-force development, patient satisfaction and operational excellence," says Boatwright. "He will be instrumental in helping us continue to provide high-quality, compassionate care to the communities we serve in Wisconsin."

Board certified in Family Medicine, Dr. Thompson is a seasoned leader with more than a decade of experience in Chief Medical Officer roles within SSM Health and at Monroe Clinic. He also has served as a University of Wisconsin School of Medicine and Public Health Residency program director and as a faculty family medicine physician in the United States Air Force.

"SSM Health has assembled an outstanding team, and guided by our Mission to provide exceptional health care services, I am confident that together we will not only continue to deliver high-quality, high-value care for our patients but offer them innovative options to transform health care for the future," says Dr. Thompson.

About SSM Health in Wisconsin

SSM Health (www.ssmhealth.com/about) is a Catholic, not-for-profit health system serving the comprehensive health needs of communities across the Midwest through a robust and fully integrated health care delivery system. The organization's more than 40,000 employees and physicians are committed to providing exceptional health care services and revealing God's healing presence to everyone they serve.

In Wisconsin, SSM Health employs 14,000 people, serving the south-central part of the state and Northern Illinois through a community-based network of leading physicians/providers, and inpatient and outpatient care facilities. The organization provides high-quality coordinated care across seven hospitals, ten post-acute care facilities, and more than 85 physician offices and other outpatient care sites. SSM Health also serves nearly 405,000 lives through Dean Health Plan, making it one of the largest and most diversified HMOs in the Midwest.