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OAKLEAF CLINICS RICE LAKE NOW OPEN

Keeps Trusted Local Healthcare Professionals in Rice Lake with Plans to Expand

RICE LAKE, WI – May 14, 2024 – Oakleaf Clinics today announced that it is opening a new clinic in Rice Lake with local healthcare providers Bailey Yeager, PA-C and Kaley Wilson, APNP who previously worked at Prevea Health Rice Lake which closed in April due to the HSHS/Prevea exit from the Western Wisconsin region. The new Oakleaf Clinics Rice Lake is now open at 1024 N. Main Street, Rice Lake, WI 54868.

By opening its new clinic, Oakleaf Clinics maintains access to high-quality health care in Rice Lake with the same trusted providers who have been caring for local patients for over seven years. Oakleaf Clinics Rice Lake will offer the same primary, family medicine, and women's health care services that were available through Prevea. This is the first step in Oakleaf Clinics establishing an enduring and growing presence in the Rice Lake area.

Yeager has served the Rice Lake community for seven years.

"I am incredibly excited and grateful to be able to continue to practice in Rice Lake and help patients meet their healthcare goals and live a healthier life," said Yeager. "I absolutely love serving this community and can't wait to continue to improve our community's health and wellbeing."

Wilson, added, "I have worked closely with patients, their families and friends for over 16 years. I am a Rice Lake native and take pride in serving our community. I am thrilled to have the opportunity to work with Oakleaf Clinics, which has proved me with the ability to continue to put patients first and provide care close to home."

"I have worked closely with Baily and Kaley throughout their time with Prevea and am excited to have them join Oakleaf Clinics as they continue to offer high quality personalized care in Rice Lake," said Jordan Crow, MD, Oakleaf Clinics, who led the effort to open the new Rice Lake

clinic. "These excellent providers will be the first of many independent clinicians Oakleaf Clinics plans to support in Rice Lake."

Oakleaf Clinics is the largest clinic in the Oakleaf Medical Network of independent healthcare clinics with over 350 medical providers with 40 specialties in Western Wisconsin.

About OakLeaf Clinics

<u>OakLeaf Clinics</u>, the largest clinic in the OakLeaf Medical Network, provides primary and specialty care through its 11 clinics in Eau Claire, Chippewa Falls, Cornell, Ladysmith, Menomonie, Rice Lake, and outreach clinics in Altoona, Amery, Baldwin, Black River Falls, Cumberland, Shell Lake, Stanley and Turtle Lake.

About OakLeaf Medical Network

OakLeaf Medical Network, comprised exclusively of independent clinics, is the largest independent physician association in Western Wisconsin, with over 350 medical providers (130 physicians) with 40 specialties working across 31 clinics in 15 counties. Over 50,000 primary care patients are served by OakLeaf Medical Network providers. Originally founded in 1994 by a local group of physicians committed to preserving the unique values of independent medical practices including personal care, continuity of care, and easier access to care, as a "clinic without walls," the organization has evolved and grown over time.

Today the clinics under the OakLeaf Medical Network include: OakLeaf Clinics (founded in 2015) with its 11 divisions, Buffalo River Clinic, Chippewa Valley Anesthesia Associates, Chippewa Valley Eye Clinic Chippewa Falls, Chippewa Valley Neurosciences, Chippewa Valley Orthopedics & Sports Medicine, Confluence Healthcare, DeFatta ENT & Facial Plastic Surgery, Diagnostic Radiology Associates, Eau Claire G.I. Associates, Evergreen Surgical, Foot and Ankle Clinic, Hesse Foot & Ankle Clinic, Interventional Pain Specialists of Wisconsin, Medical X-Ray Consultants, Merrick Plastic & Hand Surgery, Northwest Radiation Oncology Associates, Nystrom & Associates, Pathology, SC, Plastic Spears Pain and Rehab, Surgery Clinic of Eau Claire, Sunrise Family Care Clinic, Thomas Peller, MD, Western Wisconsin Urology, Winding Rivers Counseling, and Wisconsin Brain & Spine Center.

OakLeaf Medical Network clinics are in the following counties: Barron, Buffalo, Burnett, Chippewa, Clark, Dunn, Eau Claire, Jackson, Pepin, Price, Rusk, Sawyer, St. Croix, Trempealeau, and Washburn.

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