## The University of Michigan REGENTS COMMUNICATION

## **REQUEST FOR ACTION**

Subject: Neuro Care Network: Neurosciences Joint Operating Agreement between The Regents of the University of Michigan, University of Michigan Health Corporation, Sparrow Health System and MSU Health Care ("JOA") Action Requested: Approval to create the Neuro Care Network through a JOA with MSU Health Care for an integrated neurosciences program in the UMH-Sparrow service area ("UMH-Sparrow Region"). Background: We are proposing a JOA between The Regents of the University of Michigan, University of Michigan Health Corporation, Sparrow Health System (collectively "UM-Health") and MSU Health Care to provide for an integrated neurosciences program (the "Neuro Care Network"). Through the Neuro Care Network, we aim to provide an unparalleled patient experience, granting seamless access to high-quality, effective, and safe care. Together, we chart a course for growth across wider geographies, unlocking substantial financial potential for pioneering healthcare solutions. This partnership transcends mere transactional arrangements, fostering a deeply integrated, enduring relationship founded on shared values and mutual respect. Our agility in adapting to evolving healthcare landscapes ensures that we remain at the forefront of innovation. By integrating providers and facilitating seamless care transitions, we optimize patient outcomes. Furthermore, our collaborative research and educational initiatives promise to expand horizons, training the next generation of care providers, providing access to diverse patient populations and driving transformative advancements. Together, as one unified force, we propel healthcare forward, setting new standards of excellence for generations to come. The Neuro Care Network would consist of shared governance and shared management over each party's neurosciences services, including neurology and neurosurgery. The parties would also share equally in financial gains and losses when measured against a historical baseline.

The Neuro Care Network would be co-branded to recognize the unified vision and values of UM-Health and MSU Health Care, and each party would commit to only providing neurosciences care in the UMH-Sparrow Region through the Neuro Care Network.

The Sparrow Health System and UM Health Corp. Boards have approved, and recommended for further approval, the JOA.

We recommend that the Board of Regents approve the framework of the JOA as described above and authorize of the Executive Vice President for Medical Affairs and Dean of the Medical School and the President of the U-M Health Regional Network to finalize the JOA; to execute and deliver, individually or jointly, any other agreements and instruments contemplated in the JOA; to take any other actions necessary or desirable to consummate the transactions described in this action request and in the JOA; and to obtain or make, as applicable, all governmental and third-party approvals, consents, notices and authorizations that may be necessary

Respectfully submitted,

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