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Dove Healthcare Named CVTC Proven Business Partner

A local healthcare provider focused on being both the provider and employer of choice in the industry has been named the Chippewa Valley Technical College Proven Business Partner for 2017. The award was presented to Dove Healthcare on April 6 at the CVTC Alumni Association's annual Spring Gala.

Dove Healthcare consists of six skilled nursing facilities, four assisted living facilities and a rehabilitation company, all located within a 60-mile radius of Eau Claire. Dove Healthcare has a diverse workforce of over 1000 employees and serves an average of 425 residents and patients every day.

Dove Healthcare has been a strong partner with CVTC for many years. Its skilled nursing facilities are important sites for Nursing, CNA, Physical Therapy Assistant, Dental Hygiene, Respiratory Therapy, EMT/Paramedics, and Health Information students to complete their clinical assignments, helping train the next generation of area healthcare workers.

Dove Healthcare was also a partner on a grant CVTC received to deliver education and career training opportunities for dislocated workers to prepare them for high-demand careers in healthcare. Dove Healthcare's support included serving on the advisory council, writing curriculum, hosting classes and graduations, and orientating participants to facility departments.

"Dove Healthcare has a long history of participating in CVTC career fairs and hiring CVTC graduates," said Aliesha Crowe, executive director of the CVTC Foundation. "They are a perennial sponsor of the spring gala and provide opportunities for alumni to attend the event."

"Our team is so honored to receive this award," said Tommy Davidson, owner of Dove Healthcare. "Our partnership with CVTC over the past 15 years has been instrumental in helping us develop and grow our workforce so that we can achieve goals related to system improvements and new program development."

Beginning in 1997 with Dove Healthcare - West Eau Claire, the company has become one of the fastest growing healthcare providers in Northwest Wisconsin. The Orchard Hills assisted living facility was added to the West Eau Claire facility in 1999, with expansions in 2005 and 2009. Two Chippewa Falls facilities, Rutledge Home and Wisconsin Health & Regional Vent Center, were added in 2004-05, and Dove Healthcare - South Eau Claire opened in 2009. The most recent additions were Dove Healthcare - Barron, Bloomer, and Osseo in October 2015 and Rice Lake in May 2016.

Dove Healthcare's rehabilitation company consists of almost 90 physical, occupational, and speech therapists that provide services to all their locations.

Dove Healthcare supports programs and organizations that improve the overall quality of life in the communities in which their employees and residents live. They have a tradition of giving back through financial contributions, volunteer hours, and leadership roles on boards and councils, some of which include the Alzheimer's Association, United Way, Aging & Disability Resource Center, local colleges, senior centers, hospitals, and Chambers of Commerce, and several industry related associations.