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MOSAIC COMMUNITY SERVICES AND ALLIANCE, INC. TO MERGE

Expanded Mosaic Will Serve Nearly 30,000 People Across Central Maryland and Employ 1,000

TIMONIUM, MD – June 27, 2016- Mosaic Community Services, the largest non-profit provider of community-based mental health and addiction services in Central Maryland and part of the Sheppard Pratt Health System, announced today that Alliance, Inc., another non-profit provider within the Sheppard Pratt Health System, will merge with Mosaic effective July 1, 2016. The newly-expanded Mosaic will have an annual operating budget of approximately \$70 million, serve nearly 30,000 children, adolescents, adults and families across Central Maryland, and employ 1,000 people. Alliance will become a wholly-owned subsidiary of Mosaic, with all mental health services combined under the Mosaic name and executive and organizational leadership also provided by Mosaic. Alliance’s Veteran Services, Business Services and Vocational Rehabilitation Services will continue to operate under the Alliance name as a subsidiary of Mosaic.

“The need for mental health and addiction services across our communities continues to grow, and reimbursement rates for services fall seriously short of covering costs,” said Jeff Richardson, executive director of Mosaic Community Services. “The newly-expanded Mosaic will be a stronger mental health service provider that will be better positioned to respond to the many changes and challenges in the structure, delivery and payment of services in an increasingly competitive market.”

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Mosaic's new structure will provide opportunities for additional services for clients while expanding the service delivery area, including:

- Services for veteran families, through the Veterans Housing Assistance Program, which provides short-term, intensive case management linking veteran families to benefits and providing temporary financial assistance with housing or moving expenses;
- A social enterprise, Business Services, which creates employment opportunities for people with significant disabilities;
- The expansion of core services into new markets, including Harford County and extended areas in Baltimore County and Baltimore City.

“As both Mosaic and Alliance are part of the Sheppard Pratt Health System, the decision to merge the two organizations makes sense from a clinical and fiscal perspective,” said Dr. Steven S. Sharfstein, president and chief executive officer of Sheppard Pratt Health System. “The Sheppard Pratt Board believes that Mosaic has the necessary clinical and technological infrastructures in place to ensure that this expanded, community-based system of care can serve the needs of our communities into the future.”

Mosaic anticipates a seamless transition and there will be no interruption of services or care for Alliance clients.

About Mosaic

Founded in 1984, Mosaic Community Services combines comprehensive health services into a person-centered system of care to restore, heal and transform lives for people with mental illness and addictions. Effective 7-1-16, Mosaic's 1,000+ dedicated staff members will provide care to nearly 30,000 people each year in Baltimore County, Baltimore City, Carroll County and Harford County. Mosaic has become the largest, non-profit provider of community-based mental health and addiction services in Central Maryland and is part of the Sheppard Pratt Health System. www.mosaicinc.org

About Sheppard Pratt Health System

Sheppard Pratt Health System is the largest private provider of mental health and substance use services in the U.S. serving more than 70,000 individuals annually across two free-standing psychiatric hospitals, 12 special education residential and day schools, and numerous outpatient and telepsychiatry sites in Maryland. Not-for-profit affiliate programs including Family Services, Inc., Mosaic Community Services, Inc., and Way Station, Inc. as well as partners like Frederick Memorial Healthcare System help provide community housing, rehabilitation, crisis beds, and case management, in addition to addiction, outpatient and residential services throughout the state. Sheppard Pratt maintains three main arms of research, including the Stanley Research Program at Sheppard Pratt, the Department of Clinical Research Programs and the Sheppard Pratt-Lieber Research Institute.

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