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Dr. John Rodgers and Dr. William Preskenis partner with *Touchpoints at Bloomfield* to create a dynamic pulmonary care program

On May 24, 2017, Touchpoints at Bloomfield entered into a partnership with Dr. John Rodgers and Dr. William Preskenis to provide pulmonary care, sleep medicine and specialty consultation to the residents of the Bloomfield skilled nursing facility.

The partnership is designed to bring continuity in pulmonary care from the acute hospital setting into the post-acute, skilled nursing and rehab care setting. The program will address repeat hospitalizations by applying integrated pulmonary care and sleep medicine consulting to many diagnoses, including COPD and congestive heart failure.

With the addition of a sleep medicine specialist, patients will be able to receive a sleep study in a controlled, skilled nursing environment and learn the impact of sleep disorders on their pulmonary and overall health.

According to Dr. Rodgers, “We’re really ‘surfing the edge of the wave’ with this program. For patients with multiple hospitalizations we will address their general state of health and wellness and improve their daily functionality. This will get them back home where they want to be and slow the tide of re-hospitalizations. It is truly forward looking.”

Within the nursing center the physicians will be providing consultation and pulmonary medical direction; treating chronic lung and respiratory diseases such as asthma, COPD, emphysema, pulmonary fibrosis, pulmonary hypertension and sleep apnea; providing medical care and orders; medication adjustment; respiratory care via a dedicated Respiratory Therapist; breathing treatments; spirometry; and much more.

Touchpoints at Bloomfield Administrator Jaime Faucher expressed excitement, saying, “This partnership will give our residents access to expert, individualized and clinically outstanding pulmonary care and sleep medicine in the short term rehab setting. These physician’s reputation precedes them and it is something that will clearly set us apart.”

Dr. Rodgers and Dr. Preskenis are affiliated with Prime Healthcare and have been in practice for over 20 years respectively. Dr. John Rodgers received his medical degree from the University of Connecticut School of Medicine and is board certified in pulmonary medicine. Dr. William Preskenis received his medical degree from Saint Louis University School of Medicine and is board certified in pulmonary and sleep medicine.

Touchpoints at Bloomfield is one of four Touchpoints Rehab skilled nursing centers in greater Hartford and is managed by iCare Management, LLC based in Manchester, CT. Touchpoints is known as “the Place I Trust with Mom’s Care.”

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Dr. John Rodgers

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