

Health equity is in our DNA. It is an integral part of who we are and is deeply rooted throughout every aspect of our health system. As the third largest nonprofit, integrated health system in the country, we are committed to providing equitable care for all. We pledge to advance health equity by disrupting the clinical and social barriers to health to better serve our patients, communities, and teammates.

We are committed to developing a health and wellness hub in Milwaukee to foster innovation, collaboration, and measurable improvements in health outcomes.

### **Why Milwaukee?**

We are committed to improving life expectancy and well-being in underserved communities by addressing disparities in care access, clinical outcomes, and social determinants of health. We followed the data, analyzing patient information to identify key disparities across our footprint. The site we've chosen has faced historical trauma and economic disinvestment, and by leveraging partnerships and Aurora Sinai's 150-year legacy, we aim to transform this community and reduce health disparities.

### **Creating a Healthier Milwaukee**

In collaboration with local partners, the Site will create transformative interventions that residents need most. Planned programs to-date were identified through a data-driven process combining local community resident values.

Planned Programs could include:

- **Cardiometabolic Diseases** – *Medically Tailored Nutrition, Diabetes Prevention Program, Chronic Care Management classes, Heart and Soul Hypertension Program*
- **Infant Maternal Health** – *Prenatal and Postnatal Virtual Care*
- **Violence-driven Injuries** – *Fire-arm Safety Education, Violence and Trauma Outreach Support*
- **Housing** – *Eviction Support, Housing Assistance and Safe Housing Coordination*
- **Food** – *WIC/Snap enrollment, food literacy, fresh food access assistance*

- **Employment** – *Digital literacy course, career development center, digital access and technology lab*
- **Access to Care and Social Health Navigation** – *Virtual community clinics, Community Health Workers and referral navigators*

Community informed programming and partnerships could include:

- **Technology & Capacity Building** – Partner with local community-based organizations to provide access to needed technology and support neighborhood teens in developing critical skills through hands-on activities that explore their interests in programming, filmmaking, music production and design.
- **Green Infrastructure Initiatives** – Create a community-centered green-space accessible to neighbors and partners to utilize for physical activity and events.
- **Employment** – Partner with local support services to fulfil our commitment to creating meaningful employment to help and assist upward mobility in the community.

As part of our mission to eliminate health disparities, the center will become a hub for innovation, collaboration, and measurable health improvements, especially for underserved communities. Through programs addressing critical areas like cardiometabolic diseases, maternal health, housing, employment, and access to care, the center will provide the tools and resources needed to foster a healthier, more equitable future for Milwaukee and be a blueprint for other communities to follow.