



Unity Physician Partners, Inc.



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Unity Physician Partners Adds Noted Behavioral Health Executive to Leadership Team

Emerging medical/behavioral health practice adds regional leader of behavioral health services to expanding group of patient-centered medical homes for underserved community.

FRANKLIN, TN – Unity Physician Partners, Inc. has added Dr. Charles Freed, Jr., chief medical officer of behavioral health services for the UnitedHealthcare Community Plan in Tennessee, to its leadership team as Executive Medical Officer. A recognized leader in interventional care and addiction treatments, Dr. Freed has also remained a practicing psychiatrist while serving the State’s largest Medicaid managed care plan.

Dr. Freed successfully manages behavioral health programs that both effectively intervene on behalf of the patient and support the proper cost and type of care, while gaining national attention for his efforts. The approach mirrors Unity Physician Partners, now building clinics in two states as “Unity Medical Clinic.” With the goal of providing service to those underserved by the traditional system, Unity also seeks to treat the widely documented gaps in behavioral and medical care, which lead to increased need and costs to the healthcare system.

“We could not be more fortunate to have such a distinguished psychiatrist and health plan executive on our team,” says Unity’s Chief Medical Officer and co-founder, Dr. James Geraughty, MD. “Dr. Freed’s extraordinary experience, success, and hands-on understanding will accelerate our ability to serve more patients and the entire healthcare system with better outcomes and effective cost management.”

Unity’s footprint has recently expanded from its three-clinic base in Nashville to Cookeville, Clarksville, and Memphis, TN, as well as Bloomington and Columbus, IN. As a joint partner with Centerstone Behavioral Health of Tennessee, Unity offers services in conjunction with Centerstone’s existing clinic footprint and beyond.

About Unity Physician Partners (UPP):

Unity Physician Partners offers medical care and ancillary services in a medical home environment to the insured, uninsured, and those underserved through traditional healthcare models. UPP’s network of Unity Medical Clinics provides behavioral and physical health services in an integrated model of care, greatly improving outcomes and controlling costs for patients with health conditions such as depression, diabetes, heart disease, and other chronic health issues. Steeped in innovative healthcare cost-containment models, Unity’s founders have led healthcare change at Windsor Health Plan, HealthSpring, and Surgical Care Affiliates.