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This letter is to inform you of a change in the group purchasing designation of seven hospitals along with clinics in North/Central Wisconsin. The locations include the following acute care hospitals:

- 1. Eagle River Hospital, Eagle River
- 2. Good Samaritan Hospital, Merrill
- 3. Howard Young Medical Center, Woodruff
- 4. Our Lady of Victory Hospital, Stanley
- 5. Sacred Heart Hospital, Tomahawk
- 6. St. Mary's Hospital, Rhinelander
- 7. St. Michael's Hospital, Stevens Point

(Please reference Attachment B - List of Facilities for a complete listing, inclusive of clinics.)

These locations have been acquired by Aspirus Health and thus will no longer be Participants with Ascension Health Resource and Supply Management Group, LLC ("The Resource Group"), effective **December 1, 2021**. Please refer to The Resource Group membership list for complete membership information, as set forth on Attachment B, and as updated from time to time at: http://www.theresourcegroup.com/participantroster.

Effective **December 1, 2021** the seven hospitals and the North/Central Wisconsin clinics will become participants of Vizient Inc. Please ensure these locations receive the correct pricing to reflect and support the transition to Vizient Inc. In return, please **remove** these locations from all contracts and agreements of The Resource Group.

If a product, equipment, or service is purchased through Vizient Inc., please ensure that the administrative fees for those products and services are paid to Vizient Inc. in agreement with the terms of those contracts, and ensure that you credit all sales reporting of purchases made by the noted locations under the applicable master agreement with Vizient Inc.

Effective **December 1**, **2021**, all payments and invoices should be sent to Aspirus Accounts Payable in accordance with the sale of the North/Central Wisconsin hospitals and clinics from Ascension to Aspirus. Please also coordinate with Aspirus if new account numbers need to be created.

<u>Please reply to this email confirming your receipt of this request and your preparation to comply</u> with the Wisconsin North/Central hospitals and clinics as former Participants of The Resource Group by removing access to pricing on contracts negotiated by The Resource Group on December 1, 2021. By replying to the email, you have confirmed that all pricing related to The Resource Group contracts and agreements will not be provided post December 1, 2021.

Please contact The Resource Group's Customer Care Team at 314.733.8500 or ListenFirst@TheResourceGroup.com or if you have questions or need additional information.

Sincerely,

Dewayne Rade

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