



## **DHR HEALTH SELECTS EXCELERATE AS ITS GPO TO REDUCE SUPPLY VARIATION AND ENSURE QUALITY PATIENT CARE**

**CLEVELAND, Ohio, Dec. 18, 2017** – [Excelerate](#) today announced that [DHR Health](#), located in Edinburg, Texas, has become a member of its industry-leading, provider-led sourcing model. DHR Health will be implementing Excelerate’s surgical and specialty products coupled with its complement of best-in-class agreements to reduce supply variation and achieve immediate and quality-centric savings.

Excelerate is a joint venture between [Cleveland Clinic](#), [Vizient, Inc.](#), and [OhioHealth](#) designed to provide enhanced value to members by offering a unique, patient-focused and physician-engaged approach to evidence-based sourcing.

Excelerate’s provider-led, physician and clinician engaged sourcing model delivers significant savings to its members through:

- Best-in-class contracts driving member value and enabling clinical alignment
- Supply utilization guidelines designed to decrease costs, reduce variation and optimize clinical outcomes by ensuring the most effective use of products
- Peer-to-peer physician engagement that fosters clinical alignment and enables local governance

“We are pleased to welcome DHR Health to our growing membership and proud of our ability to contribute sustainable and clinically aligned savings that will drive sustainable value,” said Sean Lyden, MD, Chief Medical Officer for Excelerate and Department Chair of Vascular Surgery for the Cleveland Clinic. “We look forward to working collaboratively with DHR Health while accelerating speed to value, as well as, reducing supply variation across the care continuum ensuring quality patient care.”

“DHR Health is committed to providing patients with the highest quality of care in the most efficient manner possible. We are proud to partner with Excelerate to use a data-driven approach to optimizing our health system supply chain, creating sustainable value that we can pass on to patients.” said Susan Turley, DHR President.

DHR Health is a 530-bed physician-owned health system that offers some of the most comprehensive medical care on the U.S. southern border. From general acute care services and

preventative health programs to graduate medical education, at DHR Health over 700 physicians and more than 1,200 nurses dedicate themselves to offering a full continuum of care in over 70 different sub-specialties. Additionally, the DHR Health Bariatric and Metabolic Institute is an affiliate of the Cleveland Clinic Bariatric and Metabolic Institute.

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### **About Excelerate**

Excelerate is designed to deliver significant and substantial savings to health care organizations through a provider-led, physician-engaged sourcing company. Excelerate achieves this through executing data-driven, market-leading contracts, clinical utilization guidelines designed to decrease clinical variation, and providing peer-to-peer physician engagement that fosters clinical alignment enabling local change. Excelerate started in 2013 as a joint venture between Cleveland Clinic and Vizient, Inc. In 2016, OhioHealth was added as an equity owner and member. Click here to [learn](#) more about Excelerate.

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