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### **Felician Village and Holy Family Memorial opens memory clinic.**

Felician Village and Holy Family Memorial have collaborated to open Lakeshore Memory Clinic—a clinic to care for patients who have memory loss conditions, including people with Alzheimer’s disease or dementia.

The clinic is affiliated with the Wisconsin Alzheimer’s Institute Dementia Diagnostic Clinic Network which has a statewide network of memory clinics. This network provides service and education beyond the boundaries of the University of Wisconsin-Madison and is able to directly and locally influence the health of individuals and families.

According to the Wisconsin Alzheimer’s Institute, there are 110,000 individuals in Wisconsin living with Alzheimer’s or another form of dementia; this number is expected to rise to 130,000 by 2025. A 2013 report from the Alzheimer’s Association found that one in three seniors dies of Alzheimer’s or dementia. Alzheimer’s disease is the sixth leading cause of death in the United States with 5.8 million Americans living with Alzheimer’s; by 2050 this number is expected to raise to nearly 14 million.

“With the formation of the Lakeshore Memory Clinic, both Felician Village and Holy Family Memorial are excited to continue exceeding industry standards by delivering high quality, compassionate care to those who have memory loss and their families,” stated Frank Soltys, President & CEO of Felician Village.



The clinic is one more offering in the extensive array of services provided by the Dementia Center of Excellence at Felician Village. These services include support, education, advocacy and now, diagnosis. Community outreach services offered by Felician Village include the Virtual Dementia Tour and Caregiver College to help enhance the skills and knowledge of caring for a person with Alzheimer's.

“Early diagnosis and treatment of dementia helps to ease the challenges of day-to-day care for the patient and family. With this collaboration we can combine expertise we have at Holy Family Memorial with expertise from Felician Village to help benefit our community,” said Brett Norell, President & CEO of Holy Family Memorial.

The treatment team for the memory clinic includes Cameron Goetz, HFM licensed psychologist; Melissa Koss, FNP, APNP-BC, HFM family nurse practitioner; Connie Thimmig, CDP, Felician Village certified dementia practitioner; and Jeffrey Corrigan, MD, HFM family practice physician.

During the appointment, the patient meets with the psychologist while family members meet with the dementia practitioner to gather the family's concerns. The treatment team then meets to discuss findings. After this, the nurse practitioner meets with both the patient and family to discuss the diagnosis and develop a treatment plan if warranted.

The Lakeshore Memory Clinic is located at Felician Village, 1635 S. 221<sup>st</sup> Street, Manitowoc. Individuals can self-refer or get a referral from their primary care provider or through a social service agency. To schedule an appointment at the Lakeshore Memory Clinic, call (920) 320-8600. For more information, visit [www.felicianvillage.org](http://www.felicianvillage.org).



### **About Felician Village**

Felician Village, a continuing care campus, has been providing housing and services for seniors through rehabilitation, independent living, assisted living and long-term care for more than 130 years. Felician Village is a faith-based organization that welcomes people from all faiths.

### **About Holy Family Memorial**

Founded by the Franciscan Sisters of Christian Charity, Holy Family Memorial is the recognized leader and largest provider of comprehensive healthcare services in Manitowoc County. Our network of healthcare professionals, rooted in the healing ministry of Jesus Christ, are committed to providing high quality medical care and are dedicated to helping individuals in our communities achieve healthier lives.

Our network services include an inpatient and outpatient medical center, walk-in care, more than 15 clinics, retail pharmacies, a medically-based wellness center and a state-of-the-art rehabilitation facility. For more information, visit [hfmhealth.org](http://hfmhealth.org).

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