

Gov. Walker: Participates in ribbon cutting for Aspirus Stevens Point Campus Clinic Emergency Department

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Expansion to create 50 new jobs and add services in Central Wisconsin

MADISON - Governor Scott Walker today participated in the ribbon cutting for the new Aspirus Stevens Point Campus Emergency Department. The new expansion will also increase specialty and walk-in services and is expected to create a total of 50 new jobs which includes 30 specifically for the Emergency Department.

“New emergency services in Stevens Point will help ensure that Wisconsin families in Central Wisconsin have greater access to emergency services,” said Governor Walker. “Wisconsin is already a national leader in health care quality and access, and with this new addition Wisconsin keeps moving forward.”

The Governor joined Stevens Point Mayor Mike Wiza, President and CEO of Aspirus Matthew Heywood, and President and CEO of Miron Construction Dave Voss for the announcement. The new clinic will be the second freestanding emergency department in Wisconsin. It is an expansion of Aspirus Wausau Hospital and it will offer comprehensive, quality care to patients in Stevens Point, Plover, and other

nearby communities.

According to the U.S. Census Bureau, Wisconsin ranks in the top ten for access to health care coverage. Wisconsin also ranks number one in the nation for health care quality according to the Agency for Healthcare Research and Quality (AHRQ). Aspirus was recently recognized as one of the nation's 15 Top Health Systems by IBM Watson Health.

Governor Walker also introduced his Health Care Stability Plan earlier this year to provide stability for Wisconsin families. His plan included: seeking a long-term waiver for SeniorCare to lower prescription drug prices for our state's seniors and submitting a 1332 waiver to the federal government to create a state reinsurance program to lower insurance premiums for individuals and families in the marketplace.