

Parker Health and OutCare Health Forge Groundbreaking Research Partnership to Revolutionize LGBTQ+ Healthcare for Underserved Communities

10/12/2023

LAS VEGAS--(BUSINESS WIRE)-- Parker Health and OutCare Health proudly announce a groundbreaking research and care delivery partnership with a mission to redefine healthcare models for LGBTQ+ health, particularly within underserved and minority populations.

This pioneering initiative aims to study, address, and set new standards for affirming and equitable care delivery, with a specific focus on patient outcomes as a pivotal metric in shaping such standards. This partnership represents a novel approach, underpinned by an identity-first philosophy in care delivery, and is rooted in addressing social drivers of health (SDOH) through outcomes data analysis.

Ultimately, this collaboration will grant patients access to an extensive network of over 5,000 affirming healthcare providers nationwide and a multitude of care resources, offering an unprecedented opportunity to leverage the most comprehensive LGBTQ+ affirming healthcare network available. The partnership encompasses a diverse array of services, including robust training programs, novel research endeavors, informative publications, access to state-of-the-art Electronic Health Record (EHR) technology, and dedicated clinical support tailored to minority communities that have long faced challenges in accessing quality care.

Vincent Lopez, Founder & CEO of Parker Health, expressed his enthusiasm for this collaboration, stating, "At Parker, we've developed the Parker Suite, a robust EHR platform agnostic to medical specialties. It stands as the most affirming EHR platform, meticulously designed to curate a trustworthy and

transparent experience for LGBTQ+ patients and their healthcare providers in care management. Our partnership exemplifies a true commitment to advancing medicine, increasing accessibility, and enhancing community health. It marks a pivotal milestone in our mission."

In addition to reshaping research standards, this partnership is poised to revolutionize LGBTQ+ affirming care delivery. Based on the outcomes defined in the research endeavors, the organizations anticipate the upcoming launch of **OutCare, Powered by Parker Health**. This innovative healthcare delivery community will encompass both physical brick-and-mortar locations and cutting-edge telehealth services, scheduled to debut in 2024.

President and Founder of OutCare Health, Dr. Dustin Nowaskie, also shared their perspective on this transformative partnership: "Our collaboration with Parker Health signifies a significant milestone in our journey to establish new standards of affirming care delivery. Through OutCare's robust services and our extensive affirming network, we are dedicated to advancing LGBTQ+ health equity and making comprehensive, inclusive healthcare accessible to all. Together, we are creating a brighter future for LGBTQ+ people by forging innovative solutions that rewrite the rules of equitable healthcare."

About Parker Health:

Parker Health is a dynamic global force for change, guided by minority-led leadership, diversity, and innovation. Our unwavering mission is to propel healthcare and technology into the next century by simplifying complexities and unlocking the potential of digital health innovation. At the heart of our approach lies the groundbreaking Parker Suite™ - a revolutionary Electronic Health Records Management System™ that reimagines interoperability, accessibility, and compliance. This innovation empowers patients, healthcare providers, systems, governments, researchers, and payors through a seamless cloud-based architecture that harmonizes patient-centric data, diagnostics, outcomes, care protocols, practitioner engagement, and more. In every sense, Parker Health represents a global catalyst for transformation, rewriting healthcare's rules through innovative solutions that chart a brighter future. Parker Health is a member of the Sequoia Project, IEEE Standards Associations, Data Quality Standards for Medical Records, and the World Economic Forum's New Champions. Parker Health is headquartered in Washington, DC, with offices in New York, NY, and Los Angeles, CA. To learn more about Parker Health, visit www.ourparker.com

About OutCare Health:

OutCare Health is a leading 501(c)(3) nonprofit organization dedicated to promoting health equity for LGBTQ+ communities worldwide. OutCare's mission is to empower LGBTQ+ people with comprehensive information, resources, support, and education, including an affirming healthcare provider directory, mentorship, training,

research, community building, support groups, webinar series, blogs, and much more. OutCare's vision is to create a world where every LGBTQ+ person has access to quality healthcare and feels empowered to live their healthiest, most authentic life. To learn more about OutCare, visit outcarehealth.org and follow on **Facebook**, **LinkedIn**, **Instagram**, or **X**.

Media & Press Dept.

Press@ourparker.com

Source: Parker Health