# THE VALUE OF HOSPITAL MERGERS

#### HOW PATIENTS BENEFIT

Hospitals and health systems are transforming to create coordinated systems of care for patients. They are redesigning how they deliver care to meet patients' needs and provide patients and communities more convenient, cost-effective and innovative services. Realignment becomes necessary to remain competitive in a rapidly changing environment.

#### **ADVANCING QUALITY**



Mergers promote the spread of best practices across systems and the standardization of clinical protocols.

# **MAINTAINING ACCESS & ENHANCING SERVICES**





Patients have access to more doctors, state-of-the-art equipment and specialty services.

Coordination allows for a spectrum of comprehensive services to meet all of a patient's health needs.

## **FUELING INNOVATION**



Expanding telehealth services to deliver needed care where patients are.



Advancing health through new models of care and leveraging technology and data in novel ways.

### **TRANSFORMING TO MEET MARKET FORCES**



As large companies with no health care experience are entering the field, mergers allow hospitals and health systems to remain competitive and provide all patients access to knowledgeable and experienced health care professionals.



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