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## **Houston Business Coalition on Health Continues Growth with 18 New Members**

**HOUSTON – JULY 26, 2017** – Employers are working together to improve cost and quality issues as evidenced by the growth of 18 new members to date in 2017 for the [Houston Business Coalition on Health](#) (HBCH). HBCH is a non-profit multi-stakeholder organization representing more than 80 organizations and 2 million employer-sponsored lives nationally.

“The cost of benefits has become unsustainable for employers with healthcare coverage the largest employee-related expense for U.S. businesses outside of payroll,” said Chris Skisak, PhD, executive director for HBCH. “The Houston business community is coming together to share concerns and challenges and learn about key trends and purchasing strategies to improve the cost and quality of healthcare for their employees. All healthcare is local, and we’re convening employers, health plans, hospital systems, physicians, benefits consultants and other health services providers to work with one another to develop and implement strategies to positively impact health and healthcare in our city.”

### **New members include:**

Best Doctors	NAMI Greater Houston
Chevron	Omada Health
Hines Properties	Seyfarth Shaw
Houston Methodist	Surgery Plus
It’s Time Texas	TechnipFMC
Kinder-Morgan	Texas Medical Center
Locke Lorde	UTHealth
LyondellBassell	Vallourec
Mental Health America of Greater Houston	Waste Management

### **Annual Conference**

HBCH will host its annual conference, Excellence in Population Health Management, on March 27, 2018.

### **About Houston Business Coalition on Health**

The non-profit [Houston Business Coalition on Health](#) is a leading resource for Houston employers dedicated to providing health benefits at a sustainable cost while improving the quality and employee experience of their delivery through effective benefits design. Formed in 2013 as a merger between the former Houston Wellness Association and Houston Business Group on Health, HBCH is an employer-centric organization focused on sharing of evidence-based strategies and practices to maximize benefits investments to improve health and health care.

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