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Big Sky Care Connect Partners with Industry Leader [Health Catalyst](#)

Helena, Montana - Big Sky Care Connect (**BSCC**), Montana's premier health information exchange (HIE), is partnering with [Health Catalyst Inc.](#) ("Health Catalyst," Nasdaq: HCAT), a leading provider of data and analytics technology and services to healthcare organizations, to provide clinicians throughout Montana access to [Health Catalyst's](#) technology and services to greatly advance data-informed healthcare improvement throughout the state.

Before the go-live launch of **BSCC** in 2020, Montana was just one of two states in the U.S. without a state-designated HIE. An HIE is a modern system for improving patient health by saving time and expediting quality patient care through sophisticated information technology. **BSCC** feeds data from healthcare providers across the state into a centralized digital network which serves as a real-time information portal for participating providers, patients and payors in Montana. Healthcare organizations of all types throughout Montana can participate in the network.

By virtue of the partnership between **BSCC** and [Health Catalyst](#), Montana healthcare providers and their leadership can use data and analytics to save millions of dollars while simultaneously improving the overall health of individuals, families and communities throughout Montana.

"We are grateful for the opportunity to partner with Big Sky Care Connect to advance healthcare in Montana and further our mission of delivering massive, measurable, data-informed healthcare improvement," said Dan Burton, CEO of [Health Catalyst](#).

82 healthcare organizations have now signed-on with **BSCC**. These organizations, and those that follow, will now be able to take advantage of the HIE to create better outcomes for all Montanans.

"I believe," says Ben Tyrrell, CEO of Big Sky Care Connect, "we have successfully achieved another key step in our goal to establish an HIE in Montana. There are 82 organizations who have signed up, comprising 258 facilities, 96 of which are contributing data. Also, 37 hospitals are now participating! We have much to celebrate."

About Big Sky Care Connect

Big Sky Care Connect is a 501(c) 3 nonprofit created in 2018 to respond to the need for a state-wide coordinated health information exchange (HIE) and related services to enhance the clinical care in communities throughout Montana. Big Sky Care Connect serves to facilitate timely and secure access to clinical information between various member healthcare organizations and to engage in other activities to improve and promote public health and the quality of health care in Montana in a cost-effective manner. Big Sky Care Connect is governed by a Board of Directors made up of physicians and healthcare executives from around the state. For more information email information@mtbscc.org or call 406-443-4000.

About Health Catalyst

Health Catalyst is a leading provider of data and analytics technology and services to healthcare organizations committed to being the catalyst for massive, measurable, data-informed healthcare improvement. Its customers leverage the cloud-based data platform—powered by data from more than 100 million patient records and encompassing trillions of facts—as well as its analytics software and professional services expertise to make data-informed decisions and realize measurable clinical, financial, and operational improvements. Health Catalyst envisions a future in which all healthcare decisions are data informed.

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