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# **Children's Hospital of Wisconsin Receives WHA 2017 Advocacy All-Star Award**

**MADISON (April 20, 2017)----** Children's Hospital of Wisconsin received the Wisconsin Hospital Association (WHA) 2017 Advocacy All-Star Award at the Association's annual Advocacy Day in Madison April 19.

Peggy Troy, president/CEO of Children's Health System, accepted the award before more than 1,000 hospital supporters participating in the day's activities. WHA recognizes one hospital or health care system each year that exemplifies dedication to grassroots advocacy.

"Kids don't vote, they sometimes get lost in the debate on many issues," began Troy. "When we talk to legislators, we are the voice on behalf of kids and of hospitals all across the state of Wisconsin. That is why I am so grateful to all of our advocates, the thousands who email, write, call and meet with their elected officials."

"I am also proud to partner with so many other hospitals in the room today and with the Wisconsin Hospital Association," Troy said. "We are so honored by this award. It means the world to us."

In presenting the award, Jenny Boese, WHA vice president, federal affairs and advocacy, said Children's Hospital has been a great partner and advocate on health care issues and has raised the bar on grassroots engagement. For example, Boese said Children's has had more than 100 of their supporters attend WHA's Advocacy Day for several years in a row and has been strongly committed to engaging on key issues like Medicaid funding in the state budget.

"Children's is a true partner with the Wisconsin Hospital Association and they are deeply committed to their mission to serve," Boese said. "It has been a privilege to work alongside their entire team and they are well-deserving of this award."

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