

## **Fortune Names Great Lakes Caring, Part of the Elara Caring Network, One of the “50 Best Places to Work in Aging Services 2018”**

*Blue Wolf Capital Partners’ portfolio company ranked 5th overall; recognized as “great” workplace within elder care*

**October 1, 2018, NEW YORK** -- Fortune Magazine announced that Great Lakes Caring, a home health and hospice care company in the Elara Caring Network, was named as one of its [Top 50 Best Places to Work in Aging Services 2018](#). The inaugural award analyzed survey results from more than 162,000 employees to identify and recognize outstanding companies in the elder care industry, including senior housing and at-home care. Great Lakes was awarded based on a survey of 1,022 employees, 86 percent of which said their workplace is “great.”

Elara Caring is a Blue Wolf Capital Partners (Blue Wolf) portfolio company.

A Great Lakes employee, quoted by Fortune, said: “Innovative ideas are always welcomed, encouraged and given thoughtful consideration; and all team members are supported and celebrated for their excellent care, contribution and service. This, truly, is a really great place to work!!”

In 2016, Blue Wolf invested in Great Lakes Caring, which was one of the fastest growing home health and hospice platforms in the U.S. with 23 locations in Michigan, Indiana, Ohio, Illinois, Massachusetts, New Hampshire, and Maine. Less than two years later, Blue Wolf established the Elara Caring - which combined Great Lakes Caring, National Home Health Care and Jordan Health Services - to drive meaningful change in one of America’s fastest growing and most important sectors. The company was created to transform a fragmented and highly-inefficient industry and provide the full continuum of care including personal care, home health and hospice.

“We’re proud of the recognition the Great Lakes team earned in Fortune,” said Adam Blumenthal, Managing Partner of Blue Wolf. “Great Lakes has always been ahead of the curve - innovative, technologically advanced, with a staff that is deeply committed to delivering high quality care to patients.”

Fortune ranked Great Lakes Caring the fifth best workplace in aging services overall, after its research partner “Great Places to Work” analyzed survey results from employees across various segments of the elder care industry.

### **About Elara Caring**

Elara Caring is one of the nation’s largest providers of home-based care, with a national footprint in the Northeast, Midwest and Southwest. Elara brings together three award-winning organizations – Great Lakes Caring, National Home Health Care, and Jordan Health Services— into one transformational company, which provides the highest-quality comprehensive care continuum of personal care, skilled home health, and hospice care. The company is comprised of 32,500 caregivers serving over 66,000 patients and their families daily, in 225 locations across 16 states and focused on providing our patients with the “right care, at the right time, in the right place.”

### **About Blue Wolf Capital Partners**

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