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LifeBridge Health's Neil Meltzer Named Baltimore Museum of Industry's 2019 Industrialist of the Year

Baltimore, Maryland – Neil Meltzer, president and CEO of LifeBridge Health, will be presented with the 2019 William Donald Schaefer Industrialist of the Year Award by the Baltimore Museum of Industry at a luncheon on Wednesday, June 12, 2019.

Mr. Meltzer joined Sinai Hospital of Baltimore as vice president of operations in 1988, and a decade later became Sinai's president and chief operating officer. He became president and CEO of LifeBridge Health in 2013.

As CEO of LifeBridge Health, Mr. Meltzer has led the system through a period of strategic growth with a mission to transform the organization into an integrated health care delivery system, offering a full spectrum of care. Along with the acquisition of Carroll Hospital in 2015, Mr. Meltzer has expanded the system through key partnerships, including alliances with organizations that provide medical transportation, retail pharmacy, urgent care, health insurance, assisted living, and more.

Named for the city's former mayor and one of the early champions of the museum, the William Donald Schaefer Industrialist of the Year award was introduced in 2004 to recognize and celebrate Maryland's visionary business leaders distinguished by their innovative approaches to industry and dedication to the well-being of their communities. The award is presented at a business networking luncheon each spring at the Baltimore Museum of Industry and raises funds in support of the BMI's educational programs. Each year, the museum's hands-on programs serve more than 30,000 school visitors and enhance the state curriculum standards in social studies, language arts, math and science.

"Neil's commitment to the health and well-being of Baltimore's residents is second to none," says Anita Kassof, executive director of the Baltimore Museum of Industry. "LifeBridge's recent acquisition of Bon Secours Hospital is a great example of his innovative approach to care delivery and dedication to providing service in areas with major health disparities. He truly exemplifies the spirit in which our Industrialist of the Year award was established."

Mr. Meltzer has a background in public health and brings a community-focused approach to every health care decision. He serves on the boards of the Greater Baltimore Committee, Notre Dame of Maryland University, the Maryland Hospital Association, the Hippodrome Foundation, and Everyman Theatre. Additionally, Mr. Meltzer serves on the advisory board of the University of Maryland School of Public Health. On the national level, he continues to work with the American Heart Association after serving as national chairman. He was also one of 15 national workforce health care champions appointed by former president, Barack Obama.

Mr. Meltzer earned his Master of Public Health and Health Administration from Tulane University School of Public Health and Tropical Medicine in Louisiana, and his undergraduate degree in public health from the University of Massachusetts Amherst.

Sponsors for the 2019 Industrialist of the Year event include: LifeBridge Health, The Baltimore Sun, Howard Bank, BGE, Baker Donelson, BGE, Direct Dimensions, Economic Alliance of Greater Baltimore, Baltimore Business Journal, The Bozzuto Group, The Whiting-Turner Contracting Company, HUB International Mid-Atlantic, H&S Bakery, Jmore, WYPR, Ellin & Tucker, Miles & Stockbridge, Propeller Club of Baltimore, Quinn Evans Architects, RCM&D, SC&H Group, St. John Properties, WBAL TV11, MRA/GTA, ASR/Domino Sugar, FreedomCar, M&T Bank, T. Rowe Price, and BD Diagnostics.

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VISITOR INFORMATION:

The Baltimore Museum of Industry is located at 1415 Key Highway, Inner Harbor South, Baltimore, MD 21230. The BMI is open Tuesday – Sunday, 10 a.m. - 4 p.m., and closed Mondays and certain holidays. Free on-site parking is available. Admission prices, general museum information and directions can be found at www.thebmi.org. Follow us on Facebook at [BaltimoreMuseumofIndustry](https://www.facebook.com/BaltimoreMuseumofIndustry), Twitter at @BMIatWork and Instagram at baltimoremuseumofindustry.