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**WALGREENS TO ESTABLISH NEW TECHNOLOGY CENTER OF EXCELLENCE
IN THE SULLIVAN CENTER**

Company to Double Number of Employees in Downtown Chicago Office with 300 Additional Positions

Mayor Rahm Emanuel today joined Walgreens to announce the company will bring approximately 300 technology positions to its current downtown Chicago office in the Sullivan Center to establish a new technology center of excellence. Through a combination of new hires and relocations from its Deerfield, Ill., support office, Walgreens will double its number of employees working at the Sullivan Center, located at 36 S. Wabash Ave.

"Chicago and Walgreens have a long and shared history of innovation and ingenuity," Mayor Emanuel said. "That history makes Chicago the perfect city for Walgreens to locate 300 jobs and make an investment in its future."

"We are excited to bring more technology jobs to the City of Chicago and establish a technology center of excellence that will focus on delivering state-of-the-art systems to our more than 8,000 drugstores nationwide," said Alex Gourlay, president of Walgreens. "Chicago is where Walgreens began as a single drugstore in 1901, and expanding our downtown presence will help us retain and attract the best talent to continue developing our digital and technology capabilities."

Walgreens is currently building out its space in the Sullivan Center to host the new center of excellence, which will host much of the company's retail pharmacy technology team along with the digital, mobile and e-commerce technology teams that currently work there.

Walgreens already employs more than 3,500 people in the City of Chicago, where it operates 136 drugstores.

About Walgreens

Walgreens (walgreens.com), one of the nation's largest drugstore chains, is included in the Retail Pharmacy USA Division of Walgreens Boots Alliance, Inc. (NASDAQ: WBA), the first global pharmacy-led, health and wellbeing enterprise. More than 10 million customers interact with Walgreens each day in communities across America, using the most convenient, multichannel access to consumer goods and services and trusted, cost-effective pharmacy, health and wellness services and advice. Walgreens operates 8,175 drugstores with a presence in all 50 states, the District of Columbia, Puerto Rico and the U.S. Virgin Islands, along with its omnichannel business, Walgreens.com. Approximately 400 Walgreens stores offer Healthcare Clinic or other provider retail clinic services.

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