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Partnership for Medicaid Home-Based Care Announces Additional Founding Members and Board of Directors

WASHINGTON – The Partnership for Medicaid Home-Based Care (Medicaid Partnership) – a group of national home care provider organizations formed to advance the integrity and delivery of high-quality, cost-effective Medicaid home-based care through proactive and constructive engagement with government leaders and across the Medicaid home-based care stakeholder community – is pleased to announce that All Metro and Centene have joined as Founding Members of the Medicaid Partnership.

"All Metro and Centene bring a valuable perspective to the Medicaid Partnership and will enhance our efforts to ensure home-based care is available to all those who need it," added Dave Totaro, Chairman of the Medicaid Partnership. "We are proud to welcome All Metro and Centene to the Medicaid Partnership and look forward to working with them as we strive to elevate and address the policy issues most impacting our consumers and the home-based services they depend upon."

The Medicaid Partnership is also pleased to announce the 2015-2016 Board of Directors:

- Chairman David J. Totaro, BAYADA Home Health Care
- Vice Chairman Darby Anderson, Addus HomeCare, Inc.
- Treasurer Gale Bohling, ResCare
- Secretary Sherl Brand, RN, BSN, VNA Health Group

Additional Board of Directors include:

- Steve Jakubcanin, AccentCare, Inc.
- Richard Keller, All Metro Health Care
- Sean Schwinghammer, Caring Associates, Inc.
- Michael Monson, Centene
- David Tramontana, Home Care by Blackstone
- Barbara McCann, Interim HealthCare Inc.
- Michelle Bentzien-Purrington, Molina Healthcare, Inc.
- Gregg A. Davis, Sutter Care at Home
- Vicki Hoak, The Council of State Home Care Associations

The Medicaid Partnership was formed to address changing dynamics in the delivery of Medicaid home-based care including a dramatic increase in beneficiaries through the Affordable Care Act (ACA), the shift to Managed Long Term Services and Supports (MLTSS), and the implementation of demonstration programs that merge funding and care management of dually eligible Medicare-Medicaid beneficiaries.

As the largest payer of home-based care services in the country, the Medicaid program invests nearly \$75 billion in annual spending on home-based care services, an amount which represents

over 17 percent of the total federal Medicaid budget, underscoring the need to ensure public policies are advanced to protect quality and efficient care for this at-risk population.

The Medicaid Partnership will launch an advocacy program to educate federal policy makers on the delivery of home-based care to ensure Medicaid policies are crafted that protect – and strengthen – the delivery of home-based, cost-effective care.

Founding members of the Partnership for Medicaid Home-Based Care include AccentCare, Addus HomeCare, All Metro, BAYADA Home Health Care, Caring Associates, Centene, Home Care by Black Stone, Interim HealthCare, Molina Healthcare, ResCare, Sutter Care at Home, The Council for State Home Care Associations and VNA Health Group.

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