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PUBLIC SECTOR GREAT LAKES HEALTH PLAN IS NOW UNITEDHEALTHCARE - GREAT LAKES HEALTH PLAN

*Name change to help UnitedHealthcare
strengthen its provider care networks and enhance member service*

SOUTHFIELD, Mich. (January 25, 2011) – Great Lakes Health Plan (GLHP), serving 235,000 Medicaid health plan members in Michigan, has changed its name to UnitedHealthcare Great Lakes Health Plan.

The name change, effective Jan. 1, unifies GLHP nationally with other Medicaid health plans under the UnitedHealthcare banner. By aligning its health benefit companies under a common brand, UnitedHealthcare will continue to strengthen its provider care networks and improve service to its members.

“We are building on the UnitedHealthcare brand and its national recognition to make health care simpler and more effective for all those we serve, especially our members and the state of Michigan,” said David Livingston, president, UnitedHealthcare Great Lakes Health Plan. “The change to UnitedHealthcare Great Lakes Health Plan will enable us to speak with one voice to members, care providers, employers and other constituents.”

UnitedHealthcare Great Lakes Health Plan has notified members of the change and is in the process of issuing new identification cards. The change will not affect current relationships with the network of physicians and other health care providers who participate in the health plan.

“Members and care providers can count on us to provide the same access to high-quality services in 2011 and beyond,” added Livingston. “We will continue our tradition of developing innovative solutions while providing the compassionate care our members deserve.”

Members may contact the health plan by using the number on their ID card or by calling (800) 903-5253. A new web site, providing enhanced member and care provider portals for government-sponsored health care plans, will be available early this year. The new site will be found at the same location as the current site – www.uhcgreatlakes.com.

About UnitedHealthcare – Great Lakes Health Plan

Great Lakes Health Plan, established in 1994, serves 235,000 Michigan residents living in 25 counties, including: Allegan, Berrien, Branch, Calhoun, Cass, Hillsdale, Huron, Jackson, Kalamazoo, Kent, Lenawee, Livingston, Macomb, Monroe, Muskegon, Oakland, Oceana, Ottawa, Saginaw, Sanilac, St. Clair, St. Joseph, Tuscola, Van Buren, and Wayne. The health plan is a unit of UnitedHealthcare Community & State, the public sector health care business of UnitedHealth Group (NYSE: UNH). UnitedHealth Group is a diversified Fortune 50 health and well-being company. UnitedHealthcare Community & State serves more than 3 million people in government-sponsored health care programs in 24 states and the District of Columbia. For more information, visit www.uhcgreatlakes.com.