ABHW Announces Addition of New Member, Magellan Health

Washington, DC (September 25, 2018) – The Association for Behavioral Health and Wellness (ABHW), the national voice for payers that manage behavioral health insurance benefits for over 175 million people, today announced Magellan Health has joined as the organization’s newest member.

“Magellan is committed to improving the overall quality and affordability of healthcare for consumers, so that they may live healthier, happier lives. Their innovative approach to finding new solutions to manage complex population health, across healthcare and pharmaceutical management, serves as a model for the industry. We are eager to have Magellan collaborate with ABHW and our other member companies to advocate for legislation and regulations that improve access to integrated, value-based behavioral health care,” said Pamela Greenberg, MPP, President and CEO, ABHW.

“At Magellan, we share ABHW’s philosophy of integrating both behavioral and physical health to help improve the quality of healthcare for our members and lead them to healthy, vibrant lives,” said Sam Srivastava, chief executive officer of Magellan Healthcare. “We are proud to be working with ABHW as they have demonstrated superior leadership by advancing policies and regulations in support of behavioral healthcare organizations.”

Brian Coyne, vice president of federal affairs, will join the ABHW Board of Directors as the representative for Magellan Health. Coyne joined Magellan in 2017 and has spent most of the past 18 years involved in public policy on healthcare coverage issues for low-income populations. During the 1990s, he served as chief of staff of the U.S.
Social Security Administration and as deputy chief of staff to Rhode Island Governor Bruce Sundlun.

The Association for Behavioral Health and Wellness members include national and regional health plans who care for more than 175 million people. Working together to reduce stigma and advance federal policy on mental health and addiction care, member companies include Aetna Behavioral Health, Anthem, Beacon Health Options, Centene Corporation, Cigna, Magellan Health, New Directions Behavioral Health, Optum, and PerformCare.

ABHW is the leading health plan association working to improve access and quality of care for mental health and substance use disorders. ABHW’s members include national and regional health plans who care for more than 175 million people. Together we work to reduce stigma and advance federal policy on mental health and addiction care. Member companies - Aetna Behavioral Health, Anthem, Beacon Health Options, Centene Corporation, Cigna, Magellan Health, New Directions Behavioral Health, Optum, and PerformCare.

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