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MHPA Hires Former American College of Obstetricians and Gynecologists (ACOG) Senior Staffer as Director of Federal Affairs

Washington, DC, February 11, 2022 - Medicaid Health Plans of America (MHPA), the only association solely representing Medicaid managed care organizations (MCOs), has hired Sean Garrity as Director of Federal Affairs. Mr. Garrity will be responsible for identifying, developing and managing strategic relationships with Members of Congress, their staff, and key Congressional Committees with jurisdiction over Medicaid to advance the Medicaid priorities of MHPA. Mr. Garrity joins MHPA with nearly a decade of experience in health care advocacy. Most recently he served as the Director of Advocacy at the American College of Obstetricians and Gynecologists (ACOG), where he led the organization's political and grassroots advocacy efforts, including spearheading ACOG's annual 700+ physician legislative conference, instituting a sweeping grassroots and grassroots advocacy program, and leveraging legislative and political relationships to achieve results for ob-gyns and the patients they serve.

"MHPA is thrilled to welcome Sean Garrity to our team to expand our federal legislative portfolio," said Shannon Attanasio, Vice President of Government Relations and Advocacy. "Sean brings invaluable experience in political advocacy and knowledge of the workings of Capitol Hill, as well as extensive relationships with Members of Congress and their staff that will aid MHPA in its work to ensure all Medicaid enrollees have access to high quality, affordable and comprehensive care. We are excited to have him onboard and look forward to seeing his contributions to MHPA, the Medicaid managed care industry and the millions of people who rely on Medicaid today."

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Founded in 1995, the Medicaid Health Plans of America (MHPA) represents the interests of the Medicaid managed care industry through advocacy and research to support innovative policy solutions that enhance the delivery of comprehensive, cost-effective,



and quality health care for Medicaid enrollees. MHPA works on behalf of its 130+ member health plans, known as managed care organizations (MCOs), which serve nearly 43 million Medicaid enrollees in 40 states, the District of Columbia and Puerto Rico. MHPA's members include both for-profit and non-profit, national and regional, as well as single-state health plans that compete in the Medicaid market. www.medicaidplans.org