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Aetna's Dan Belvin and UPMC's Jane Kogan Appointed to Chair, Vice Chair of MHPA Research Committee

WASHINGTON, D.C. – Medicaid Health Plans of America (MHPA) recently appointed **Daniel Belvin**, Lead Director for Medicaid Strategic Intelligence at Aetna, a CVS company, and **Jane Kogan**, **PhD**, Associate Chief Research and Translation Officer at UPMC's Center for High-Value Health Care as Research Committee Chair and Vice Chair, respectively. Working closely with MHPA's Vice President for Research, Quality, and Performance Michelle Proser, PhD, MPP, Belvin and Kogan will guide the Association's research strategy, ensuring that it demonstrates the state and value of Medicaid managed care.

"As the nation's health care delivery system continues to adapt to meet the complex needs of diverse populations, a meaningful and robust data analytics strategy is critical to inform health care policy and enhance quality," said Proser. "Daniel and Jane's vast experience and extensive knowledge of data analytics, research, market dynamics, and payer systems will help deepen understanding of Medicaid managed care performance in ways that benefit patients, providers, and states. We're privileged to work with them and excited to tap into their insight."

As the Lead Director for Medicaid Strategic Intelligence with Aetna, Belvin oversees market wide enterprise data strategy by using data to drive clinical and financial results for state plans and solve some of the most significant issues faced by Medicaid populations and communities. Spanning more than 20 years in payer and health care markets, his career also included positions at Blue Cross & Blue Shield of Rhode Island, where he oversaw commercial and government market research and managed primary market research, including the market impact of the Affordable Care Act and Medicare Advantage products. A third-generation veteran commissioned into the U.S. Army, he supported a range of medical logistics roles across duty stations.

As Associate Chief Research and Translation Officer for UPMC's Center for High-Value Health Care, Kogan works with UPMC leadership to leverage its unique payer-provider environment to

drive continuous learning and healthcare improvements while influencing practice and policy change. Passionate about the translation and dissemination of patient-centered research, her expertise lies in the development, design, and implementation of large-scale health services research studies with a focus on real-world applicability of findings. A clinical psychologist by training, she also has extensive experience in the use of qualitative and quantitative research methods and in the conduct of pragmatic comparative effectiveness research studies to improve quality and efficiency of care for those with chronic conditions and those experiencing disparities in care.

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About MHPA

Founded in 1995, the Medicaid Health Plans of America (MHPA) is the only national association that solely represents the interests of the Medicaid managed care industry. Through its advocacy and research work, MHPA supports 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 more than 50 million Medicaid enrollees in 41 states, the District of Columbia and Puerto Rico. MHPA's members include both for-profit and non-profit national, regional, and single-state health plans that compete in the Medicaid market. Visit <u>medicaidplans.org</u> for more information.