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**Dan Tsai, Deputy Administrator and Director of CMCS to Speak at MHPA23**

WASHINGTON, D.C. – Daniel Tsai, Deputy Administrator and Director of the Center for Medicaid and CHIP Services, Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS), will address attendees at MHPA23 during the general session on October 19 at 2 p.m.

“Dan’s extensive experience working in the federal government, with states, health care organizations, and other key stakeholders throughout the vast health care sector has equipped him with profound insight into designing and implementing innovative and effective models for health care coverage, delivery, and payment. His dedication to addressing social determinants of health (SDOH) for at-risk individuals and strengthening community health centers, behavioral health care, and home and community-based services has left a profound mark on how the United States ensures equitable health coverage and care for vulnerable populations,” said MHPA President and CEO Craig Kennedy, MPH. “We’re thrilled to welcome and engage with Dan on policy and program developments that affect how Medicaid managed care organizations provide access to quality, affordable health care.”

Tsai will share his perspective on the historic challenges currently facing Medicaid and his vision for opportunities that lie ahead for Medicaid Managed Care Organizations (MCOs) to continue building upon the successes and further innovate Medicaid for the millions of people in America that rely on the program.

Before joining CMS/CMCS, Tsai served for six years as the Assistant Secretary for MassHealth and Medicaid Director for the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, where he built a Medicaid program aimed at ensuring equitable coverage and improved health care delivery for two million individuals and families.

MHPA23 takes place Oct. 18-20 at the Gaylord National Resort and Conference Center, attracting hundreds of managed care executives, policymakers at all levels of government, health care professionals, and patients for education, advocacy, and networking to help lead

Medicaid forward. The general session featuring Tsai is open to press; however, registration is required. To obtain press credentials please email [jtalley@mhpa.org](mailto:jtalley@mhpa.org).

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