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Elevance Health's Kurt Small Appointed to MHPA Executive Committee

WASHINGTON, DC – Kurt Small, President, Medicaid at Elevance Health has been elected to the Medicaid Health Plans of America Executive Committee.

“With major Medicaid changes happening at both the state and federal levels, it’s more important than ever to showcase the positive impact of Medicaid managed care in improving health outcomes, breaking down barriers to care, and connecting vulnerable populations with access to quality and affordable health coverage,” said MHPA President and CEO Craig A. Kennedy, MPH. “Long a supporter of the whole-health approach, Kurt brings expertise in driving innovative solutions to transform health care delivery, a commitment to understanding and addressing social needs and care inequities, and a passion for improving the nation’s public health safety net – all of which make him an invaluable champion for MHPA’s mission.”

Mr. Small is responsible for the strategic direction and overall performance of Elevance Health's Medicaid business. He has more than 25 years of experience in the health care industry, creating and implementing strategies to fuel business growth. As a lifelong learner, Small is passionate about solving complex problems and utilizing knowledge as a catalyst to improve the nation’s health and wellness.

“I’m honored to work with MHPA to support innovative policy solutions that enhance the delivery of comprehensive, cost-effective, and quality health care for Medicaid enrollees,” said Small. “Elevance Health’s affiliated Medicaid plans collectively work to address each individual’s physical, behavioral, and social needs driven by robust data and analytics that support whole health. We will continue to work together to simplify health care making it more equitable and accessible so that all people can receive individualized care that improves their health and wellbeing.”

MHPA’s Executive Committee provides leadership and guidance for tactical decision-making outside of the regular, quarterly Board meeting schedule. It also provides oversight for the association’s core focus areas: advocacy, research, communications, and member engagement. The Committee is comprised of the Chair, Vice Chair, Secretary, and Treasurer of the Board as well as two at-large members elected from the full Board membership. Mr. Small is serving as an at-large member of the Board.

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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 146-member health plans, known as managed care organizations (MCOs), which serve more than 50 million Medicaid enrollees in 42 states, the District of Columbia and Puerto Rico. MHPA's members include for-profit and non-profit national, regional, and single-state health plans that compete in the Medicaid market. Visit [medicaidplans.org](https://www.medicaidplans.org) for more information.