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**MHPA Statement in Response to Dr. Mehmet Oz's Confirmation to Lead the
Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services**

MHPA President and CEO Craig A. Kennedy issued the following statement in response to Dr. Oz Confirmed as Administrator, Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services:

"MHPA congratulates Dr. Mehmet Oz on being confirmed Administrator, Center for Medicare and Medicaid Services. As a healthcare provider who has dedicated his life to providing high-quality care, Dr. Oz shares the same passion and drive for improving patient health outcomes as MHPA's members and their 160+ health plans. We look forward to working with Dr. Oz to continue to enhance access to quality, affordable, and effective health care; showcase the value of Medicaid managed care for beneficiaries, state partners, and communities; and preserve the nation's public health safety net for millions of vulnerable individuals."

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About MHPA

Founded in 1995, 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 more than 160 member health plans which serve nearly 52 million Medicaid enrollees in 40 states, Washington, D.C., 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 mhp.org for more information.