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UNITEDHEALTHCARE PLAN PARTICIPANTS HAVE ACCESS TO EAST END HEALTH ALLIANCE FACILITIES

UnitedHealthcare and the East End Health Alliance have renewed their network relationship that will provide UnitedHealthcare and Oxford employer and individual plan participants, and Medicare and Medicaid plan members access to East End Health Alliance facilities.

The East End Health Alliance is a clinically integrated network of three hospitals that provide a broad range of inpatient and outpatient services through a staff of more than 200 physicians. The three hospitals are Eastern Long Island Hospital in Greenport, Peconic Bay Medical Center in Riverhead, and Southampton Hospital in Southampton.

"UnitedHealthcare is committed to providing our plan participants with access to a broad network of hospitals, physicians and other care professionals close to where they live and work," said Bill Golden, CEO, UnitedHealthcare Employer & Individual of New York. "We look forward to our continued relationship with the East End Health Alliance as we work together to improve the health and well-being of our Long Island customers."

"As the largest provider of health care services on the North and South Forks of Long Island, the East End Health Alliance's mission is to expand access to quality, comprehensive and affordable health care services, " said Paul J. Connor, III, Managed Care spokesman of EEHA. "We are pleased to continue our network relationship with UnitedHealthcare to ensure that all of its plan participants have access to quality acute care, outpatient and wellness services on the East End."

UnitedHealthcare, a UnitedHealth Group (NYSE: UNH) company, serves more than 3.6 million New York residents with a health care network of 203 hospitals and more than 43,000 physicians and other care professionals statewide.

About East End Health Alliance
Eastern Long Island Hospital, Peconic Bay Medical Center and Southampton Hospital established the East End Health Alliance to enhance the ability of the three hospitals to meet their mission to provide excellent, comprehensive health care services to their communities. The Alliance hospitals are all critical health care providers serving a combined population of more than 300,000 residents covering nearly 300-square miles, providing care to approximately 16,000 inpatients and more than 60,000 emergency room patients.

About UnitedHealthcare

UnitedHealthcare is dedicated to helping people nationwide live healthier lives by simplifying the health care experience, meeting consumer health and wellness needs, and sustaining trusted relationships with care providers. The company offers the full spectrum of health benefit programs for individuals, employers and Medicare and Medicaid beneficiaries, and contracts directly with more than 650,000 physicians and care professionals and 5,000 hospitals nationwide. UnitedHealthcare serves more than 38 million people and is one of the businesses of UnitedHealth Group (NYSE: UNH), a diversified Fortune 50 health and well-being company.

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