## The MED Group Announces Expansion of Payer Network with Addition of America's Choice Provider Network

**LUBBOCK, Texas (Tuesday, January 26, 2016)** - The MED Group, a Managed Health Care Associates, Inc. (MHA) Company, today announced further expansion of its payer network with the signing of a new agreement with America's Choice Provider Network (ACPN). MED Group Members will now have access to an additional 22+ million covered lives through its agreement with ACPN, an independent, multi-specialty National Provider Network.

The MED Group is the leading group purchasing and member services organization in the home medical equipment industry. The MED Group strives to offer HME providers innovative, value-added programs in addition to a competitive GPO portfolio, such as specialized clinical networks, MED U, which provides HME industry-specific education, and the MED Suppliers Network, which promotes and advertises the services of MED Members. The MED Group's comprehensive payer network is another example of this commitment and functions as a cost saving, revenue generating program that offers MED Members access to more than 175 million lives.

ACPN, through their proprietary network and technology, offers providers access to lives beyond traditional group health by contracting with clients in worker's compensation and auto liability. Its payer clients primarily consist of third party administrators (TPAs), insurance carriers, health and welfare funds, employer groups, and self-insured health plans.

"We are confident this agreement will provide our members a great opportunity to continue to grow their business," said Jeff Woodham, Senior Vice President and General Manager, The MED Group. "With ACPN's established network of healthcare providers, our members will now have access to more than 175 million covered lives."

## **About The MED Group**

The MED Group, a wholly owned subsidiary of Managed Health Care Associates, Inc. (MHA), is a Group Purchasing, Business Solutions and Network Management Organization that serves its Home Care Customers (Provider Members, Suppliers and Referral Sources) through a unique model that delivers value for each.

MED Members are market-leading Home Medical Equipment (HME) Providers that consistently deliver quality patient care through clinical and business based best practices. Through MED smart purchasing economic models, members make cost effective purchasing choices for products available through MED Business Partner agreements. MED also helps members improve efficiencies in education and training, reimbursement, accreditation, certification, technology and other operational areas - to help maintain their status as market leaders. MED's Network includes market leading HME providers that cover 1900+ locations.

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