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Mountain-Pacific Quality Health to Assist in New Primary Care Model

(Helena, Mont.) – Mountain-Pacific Quality Health will partner on an initiative that aims to strengthen primary care through payment reform and improving care delivery in Montana and Hawaii.

The five-year project, called Comprehensive Primary Care Plus (CPC+), is a nationwide initiative. It provides financial incentives for participating Medicare and Medicaid primary practices to improve health outcomes. Mountain-Pacific will partner with the Lewin Group, a leading health care policy research and management consulting firm. The contract was awarded through a competitive request for proposal process and will be administered by the Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS).

“Mountain-Pacific and the Lewin Group share the same goal of achieving better care and better population health while lowering health care costs,” said Sara Medley, Mountain-Pacific’s CEO. “Mountain-Pacific is committed to supporting the health care communities we serve, and this initiative will allow us to support primary care practices in Montana and Hawaii even more than we are currently.”

Mountain-Pacific will work with 55 practices in Montana and more than 100 practices in Hawaii. The initiative is a public-private partnership that spans across 14 states. It will enable primary care practices to deliver the best possible health outcomes for their patients and will pay providers for achieving those results. CPC+ is a multi-payer model that brings together Medicare, state Medicaid agencies and private insurance companies to move the health care

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system toward a payment model that values quality of care over quantity of services. This new project builds on the Comprehensive Primary Care initiative that launched in late 2012.

If you are an eligible primary care provider in Montana or Hawaii and want more information and assistance please visit our CPC+ website: <http://mpqhf.com/corporate/health-and-technology-services/hts-services/comprehensive-primary-care-plus/>. Mountain-Pacific also has a dedicated CPC+ blog that features timely information, important due dates, tools and ideas to help providers: <http://mpqhf.com/blog/comprehensive-primary-care-plus-cpc-blog/>

About Mountain-Pacific—Mountain-Pacific is a 501(c)(3) nonprofit corporation and holds federal and state contracts that allow them to oversee the quality of care for Medicare and Medicaid members. Mountain-Pacific works within its region (Montana, Wyoming, Alaska, Hawaii and the U.S. Pacific Territories of Guam and American Samoa and the Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands) to help improve the delivery of health care and the systems that provide it. Mountain-Pacific's goal is to increase access to high-quality health care that is affordable, safe and of value to the patients they serve. www.mpqhf.org

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