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**Anthem Blue Cross and Blue Shield and Kettering Health Network  
Extend Agreement  
*Anthem Members Continue Access through Mid-February 2012***

**DAYTON, Ohio – July 9, 2010** – Anthem Blue Cross and Blue Shield in Ohio and Kettering Health Network (KHN) have extended their agreement giving Anthem members the ability to receive in-network health care services from KHN facilities, physicians and affiliated ancillary and professional services through February 14, 2012.

The agreement includes Kettering, Grandview, Sycamore and Southview Medical Centers along with Greene Memorial Hospital, Kettering Behavioral Medicine Center. The Medical Center at Elizabeth Place (MCEP) also extended their Anthem agreement. These extensions include all Anthem products, including traditional and managed care plans (Blue Traditional, Blue Preferred, Blue Priority and Blue Access) as well as senior HMO and PPO products (Anthem Senior Advantage and Anthem Medicare Preferred).

“Providing quality service to our members is our number one priority,” said Erin Hoeflinger, president of Anthem Blue Cross and Blue Shield in Ohio. “Continuing access to care to Kettering facilities supports this mission and helps solidify the foundation for complete customer satisfaction.”

KHN will also continue its participation in Anthem’s Hospital Quality Program. In place in Ohio since 1992, Anthem’s Hospital Quality Program measures the quality of

medical care based on self-reported data related to a number of patient safety and health issues.

“This is a perfect example of the fulfillment of our mission to improve the quality of life for people in the communities we serve,” said KHN President Fred Manchur. “Anthem is our area’s biggest insurance provider and our network is unique in that we strive to offer 10-minute access to healthcare services for all people in our 9-county service area. Close access to quality healthcare is a huge benefit and offers great convenience to a large portion of our population with Anthem coverage.”

Kettering Health Network includes five acute care hospitals along with the area’s only behavioral health hospital and more than 60 outpatient facilities. KHN has more than 8,300 employees and 1,200 physicians who work to provide their patients with the best in care and the latest in medical technology. Thompson Reuters recently ranked KHN as a Top Ten Health System in the U.S. for the second year in a row.

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