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Chaney Announces Humana Extends Federal Exchange Coverage

From the office of Commissioner Mike Chaney –

“It is with great gratitude and thanks that MID and I make this announcement that affects the citizens of our great state.”

Through the efforts of many individuals, we are pleased to announce that Humana has stepped forward to cover the 36 counties in Mississippi that did not have health plans available under the Federally facilitated Health Insurance Marketplace. As many people know, we have had real concerns about being able to have full coverage for the entire State. Humana’s decision to extend their coverage in Mississippi demonstrates their good corporate citizenship. We appreciate both Humana and Magnolia Health Plan’s work to cover all counties in the State on behalf of our citizens.

Humana has released the following statement:

“Humana filed to amend our qualified health plans offered on the individual exchange in Mississippi to include an additional 36 counties (for a total of 40 counties). The additional counties represent those that we recently learned would otherwise have had no individual exchange offerings – thus, no subsidy-eligible coverage options for qualifying residents. This builds on Humana’s current presence in the state of Mississippi, where Humana already covers well over 200,000 Mississippians, including individuals, employer groups, military retirees and their families, as well as Medicare beneficiaries. By working together with local health care providers, we believe we can enhance quality of care and improve health outcomes in the state. Humana’s goal is to help people achieve lifelong well-being.”