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PBGH CEO David Lansky is New Chair of Health Care Transformation Task Force

Anthem, Inc. Joins as 42nd member

WASHINGTON (Oct 20, 2017) –David Lansky, president and CEO of the Pacific Business Group on Health (PBGH), one of the nation’s most prominent health care purchasing coalitions, is the new chair of the Health Care Transformation Task Force (HCTTF). He succeeds Trinity Health CEO Richard Gilfillan, who will remain a member of the executive committee.

The Task Force also elected Fran Soistman, Executive Vice President for Government Services of Aetna, as its new vice chair. Mary Beth Kuderik, chief strategy and financial officer, UAW Retiree Medical Benefits Trust, assumes the officer post of secretary/treasurer.

The Task Force also accepted Anthem Inc., one of the nation’s leading health benefits companies, as its 42nd member.

The election of Lansky and Soistman demonstrates the Task Force’s commitment to balance in its leadership. The Task Force is an industry consortium that brings together patients, payers, providers and purchasers who share a commitment to accelerate the pace of delivery system transformation.

Lansky, previously vice chair of the Task Force, has for 10 years led PBGH, a purchaser-only coalition leading efforts to transform US healthcare using the combined influence of some of the largest purchasers of healthcare services in the United States. PBGH’s 60 public and private member organizations collectively spend \$40 billion a year purchasing healthcare services for 10 million Americans.

Soistman is responsible for driving growth in Aetna’s Medicare, Medicaid and Federal Employees Health Benefits Program. In addition, he is in charge of growing the company’s presence within the Accountable Care Act expansion through individual and public exchanges.

Kuderik oversees \$56 billion in assets at UAW Retiree Medical Benefits Trust, which provides benefits to approximately 700,000 retirees and their dependents. She spearheads a team of financial analysts, auditors and consultants that review benefits, health care plan risks, controls and compliance, which has generated substantial annual cash savings and improvements.

“It has been a privilege to engage the nation’s largest health care purchasers in a meaningful dialogue with the most progressive health systems, health plans, and patient leaders to find ways to improve value. I’m honored to be asked to chair the Task Force as we bring more of these high value solutions to the American health system,” Lansky said about his new position as HCTTF Chair.

Anthem is one of the nation’s leading health benefits companies. One in eight Americans receives coverage for their medical care through Anthem's affiliated plans.

“As we continue to shift more of our spending to value-based payment arrangements, we will turn to new goals. We know we must not only reach previously declared value-based payment goals but must strive to promote better quality, more affordable care and drive better patient experience through those value-based payment arrangements. We look forward to working with task force members to set those next-generation goals,” said Anthem Vice President of Provider Alignment Solutions Mai Pham.

Along with Gilfillan, the other members of the Task Force executive committee include: Kevin J. Klobucar, executive vice president for health care value, Blue Cross Blue Shield of Michigan; Danielle A. Lloyd, vice president for policy and advocacy, Premier healthcare alliance; Debra Ness, president, National Partnership for Women & Families; and Angelo Sinopoli, executive vice president and chief clinical officer, Strategic Coordinating Organization for Greenville Health System.

About the Health Care Transformation Task Force

The Health Care Transformation Task Force is an industry consortium that brings together patients, payers, providers and purchasers to align private and public sector efforts to clear the way for a sweeping transformation of the U.S. health care system. Our members are committed to rapid, measurable change, both for ourselves and our country. Our members aspire to having 75 percent of our respective businesses operating under value-based payment arrangements by 2020. To learn more, visit www.hcttf.org.