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Blue Cross Blue Shield of Wyoming Statement Regarding WINhealth Partners

CHEYENNE – Statement from Rick Schum, President and CEO, Blue Cross Blue Shield of Wyoming in response to today's announcement from the Wyoming Insurance Commissioner regarding WINhealth Partners:

"Today's announcement about WINhealth Partners is unfortunate but certainly reflects the challenges that come with adapting to the changes required by the ACA.

"Our highest priority today is to reassure Wyoming customers that we are already taking steps to help them transition to new health coverage as easily and as quickly as possible. We have pledged to work closely with the Insurance Department and WINhealth Partners to assure that everyone who is affected by this announcement, both individuals and Wyoming businesses, will continue to have insurance available to them.

"We plan to work closely with Enroll Wyoming in their efforts to answer questions and provide information about the health insurance marketplace. We understand the realities of today's changing health insurance market, and we're ready to help in any way we can.

"We are offering a wide selection of insurance plans through the federal health insurance marketplace and directly through our local offices across the state. This company has been serving our neighbors for the last 70 years and we've always maintained a safe and solid financial foundation."

About Blue Cross Blue Shield of Wyoming

Blue Cross Blue Shield of Wyoming (BCBSWY), a not-for-profit health insurer and an independent licensee of the Blue Cross and Blue Shield Association, provides access to high quality healthcare coverage, services and programs to help our members make the best healthcare decisions and get the best care. With 9 locations across Wyoming, we provide hometown service to residents and businesses while serving people and charitable organizations in communities around the state. Learn more about us at <u>BCBSWY.com</u>.