



## **MULTIPLAN NOW ACCEPTING SUBMISSIONS FOR 2009 HOLIDAY CARD PROGRAM**

New York, NY, September 1, 2009 – MultiPlan, Inc., the nation’s oldest and largest independent PPO network, announced today it is now accepting submissions for its annual Holiday Card Program. As one of MultiPlan’s most popular philanthropic initiatives, the Holiday Card Program collects holiday-inspired drawings from pediatric patients in hospitals participating in the PHCS, HealthEOS and/or MultiPlan networks, and hosts a vote on its website. The five entries that receive the most votes are made into holiday greeting cards, courtesy of MultiPlan. The hospitals that submit these top five drawings receive a supply of cards for use in fundraising, at holiday events and to sell in their gift shops.

“This is a very special program for our organization,” says Paul Goldstein, Chief Medical Officer for MultiPlan. “It’s a fun activity for the hospitalized children and it helps support our hospitals. Through our Holiday Card program we are all able to share in the spirit of the season through the perspective of these young patients.”

To be eligible for this contest, entries must be received by Friday, September 25, 2009. Voting will take place on MultiPlan’s web site at <http://www.multiplan.com/providers/holidaycardprogram.cfm> October 12 - 23 and winners will be announced in late October.

In addition to the Holiday Card Program, MultiPlan provides participating hospitals with Jeep PowerWheels™ toy cars through its Toy Car Program, and issues grants to qualifying hospitals through its Rural Health Outreach Grant Program.

### **About MultiPlan**

MultiPlan is the industry’s most comprehensive provider of healthcare cost management solutions. The company provides over 2,300 clients with a single gateway to a host of primary, complementary and out-of-network strategies for managing the financial risks associated with healthcare claims. Clients include large and mid-sized insurers, third party administrators, self-funded plans, HMOs and other entities that pay claims on behalf of health plans. Well over 600,000 providers participate with MultiPlan through these networks. Incorporated in 1980, MultiPlan is owned by a group of investors led by The Carlyle Group. For more information, visit [www.multiplan.com](http://www.multiplan.com).

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