



## **MultiPlan Spreads Holiday Cheer in October Online Voting Opens Monday, October 12 for Annual Holiday Card Program**

*New York, NY, October 8, 2009* – MultiPlan, Inc., the nation’s oldest and largest independent PPO network, today announced that voting will open for its annual Holiday Card Program on Monday, October 12. Voting is open to the public on the MultiPlan website at: <http://www.multiplan.com/holiday> from October 12 through October 23, 2009. Winners will be posted on the site the week of October 26, 2009.

Now in its 14th year, MultiPlan’s Holiday Card Program collects drawings from pediatric patients at hospitals participating in MultiPlan’s PHCS, MultiPlan, or HealthEOS Networks and posts the images on the company’s website for a public vote to determine the five favorite drawings. The winning drawings are featured on MultiPlan’s corporate holiday card. The hospitals whose patients submitted the top five drawings receive a supply of cards, courtesy of MultiPlan, for use in fundraising and to sell in their gift shops. In addition, MultiPlan sponsors parties for children at the hospitals from which the top drawings were selected.

“We get tremendous enjoyment from this program,” says Paul Goldstein, Chief Medical Officer for MultiPlan. “It gives pediatric patients a fun, creative outlet during their hospital stay, and continues MultiPlan’s longstanding tradition of supporting the community relations objectives of our participating hospitals.”

In addition to the Holiday Card Program, MultiPlan provides participating hospitals with Jeep PowerWheels™ toy cars through its Toy Car Program, and awards annual 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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