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**NABIP Urges Resolution in Nebraska Medicare Advantage Dispute**

Washington, D.C. – Jessica Brooks-Woods, CEO of the National Association of Benefits and Insurance Professionals (NABIP), which represents more than 100,000 licensed health insurance agents, brokers, consultants and benefits professionals nationwide, today issued the following statement:

“Recent disputes between Medicare Advantage carriers and Nebraska hospitals have left several hospitals in the state no longer accepting Medicare Advantage patients. These disruptions place seniors, particularly those with complex medical needs, in a vulnerable position, creating uncertainty and gaps in care for Medicare beneficiaries who rely on Medicare Advantage coverage.

“NABIP urges all parties to come together in good faith to negotiate a solution that places the needs of seniors at the forefront. Seniors cannot afford to have their access to healthcare interrupted, and it is imperative that this issue is resolved in a way that prioritizes their needs and ensures continuity of care.

“The well-being of Nebraska seniors is at stake. NABIP and our members, who work tirelessly to help seniors navigate their healthcare options, urge all parties to act quickly and collaboratively to protect access to vital healthcare services.

“While these disputes have come to a head in Nebraska, they reflect a growing trend occurring in other states as well. Across the nation, similar disagreements between Medicare Advantage carriers and providers are creating barriers to care for seniors. NABIP is committed to advocating for solutions that protect seniors’ access to healthcare and will continue to monitor and address these issues wherever they arise.”

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