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MOVEMENT TO ADVANCE CARE IN THE HOME GROWING

Diverse group continues to add innovators who want to integrate the home as a site of clinical care

WASHINGTON, April 9, 2021 – Moving Health Home, a coalition of pioneering health care organizations with a bold vision to change the way policymakers think about the home as a site of clinical service, officially launched only a few weeks ago. Founding members, *Amazon Care, Landmark Health, Signify Health, Dispatch Health, Elara Caring, Intermountain Healthcare, Home Instead, Ascension, and Amwell* coalesced around a shared belief that patients should have access to care in the home. Now, the movement is growing with seven additional members – *Compassus, UPMC, U.S. Medical Management, the Visiting Nurse Service of New York (VNSNY), Advocate Aurora Health, Contessa Health, and Vituity*.

Today's announcement reinforces the idea that the COVID-19 pandemic has demonstrated both the value and potential of home-based clinical care, and the desire to provide Americans the flexibility to choose their home as a site of care. The movement to advance care in the home is not new but is rapidly gaining momentum. Each of the new members brings deep experience delivering quality, innovative home-based care to patients from all backgrounds. *Compassus, UPMC, U.S. Medical Management, VNSNY, Advocate Aurora Health, Contessa Health, and Vituity* will be instrumental in advocacy efforts to integrate the home as a site of clinical care utilizing and sharing their firsthand knowledge and lessons learned providing home-based care during the COVID-19 pandemic, and in the years before that.

"The goals of Moving Health Home align with how Compassus is innovating home-based care delivery and transforming the future of health care," said Compassus CEO Jim Deal. "We know receiving care at home is the preference of most patients, results in higher quality and patient and family satisfaction, and lowers overall cost. Compassus is well positioned to continue expanding access to home-based care, and we look forward to working with other coalition members to shape federal and state policy related to care at home."

"For years, UPMC has provided home health and supportive services right in our patients' homes, whether post-hospitalization or part of maintaining ongoing independence. We also provide extensive, high quality skilled nursing and senior living services, and have long-been advocates for seniors in our community. We are pleased to join a coalition that will advocate to expand the options available to our patients and members, to provide home-based alternatives, enabled by technology and new financing models so more of our patients can experience the quality and convenience of in-home care," said Deborah Brodine, MBA, MHA, President, UPMC Senior Services.

"For over 25 years, U.S. Medical Management (USMM) has been a leading provider of home-based care for seniors and other individuals with complex health issues. We continue to innovate our physician-led care model to ensure patients receive the care they need in the home and community setting," said Rajiv Patel, MD, CEO of USMM. "Our care delivery model has been supported by strong continuity-based

relationships with our Provider partners, our clinical discipline and a deep respect for the dignity and value of seniors in their respective communities. We are eager to join with the Moving Health Home Alliance in their efforts."

"Home and community-based care is essential. Patients of all types depend on this care, whether it is delivered in-person or through telehealth services," said VNSNY CEO Dan Savitt. "The Visiting Nurse Service of New York is one of the nation's largest non-profit home and community-based health care organizations, and we are proud to join the Moving Health Home coalition."

"Advocate Aurora Health's longstanding focus on value-based care has driven innovative care delivery models that help patients remain in their homes," says Denise Keefe, President, Continuing Health. "Our recognition that home is a key clinical site has led to transformational programs and services and aligns with Moving Health Home's mission and commitment. We are pleased to join with MHH in advancing efforts to educate our policymakers."

"Contessa is built on the belief that patients heal better, and faster, at home and these care models can be scaled rapidly with health system partners. The continued increase in demand for appropriately shifting high-acuity care to the home has accelerated the thought process of health systems related to their current models of care delivery," said Contessa CEO Travis Messina. "We are honored to join forces with the most respected names in home care delivery and the Moving Health Home coalition to increase awareness for the necessary policy changes."

"For nearly fifty years, Vituity has been a national leader in urgent, acute, and post-acute care. Over the last decade, we have led efforts to expand care delivery to the home and have had the honor of caring for millions of patients via telehealth, hospital at home, and care coordination initiatives," said Vituity Chief Transformation Officer, Dr. Rick Newell. "We are driven to deliver and enable care in the context that patients need it, whether that be in a hospital, urgent care, skilled nursing facility, or in their own home. We are excited to join the Moving Health Home alliance to create a care delivery system that is truly centered around the patient."

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