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SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

FORM 10-Q

(Mark One)

QUARTERLY REPORT PURSUANT TO SECTION 13 OR 15(d) OF THE SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934

For the quarterly period ended September 30, 2014

or

TRANSITION REPORT PURSUANT TO SECTION 13 OR 15(d) OF THE SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934

For the transition period from \_\_\_\_\_ to \_\_\_\_\_

Commission file number: 001-32209

WELLCARE HEALTH PLANS, INC.

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Delaware

47-0937650

(State or other jurisdiction of incorporation or organization)

(I.R.S. Employer Identification No.)

8725 Henderson Road, Renaissance One  
Tampa, Florida

33634

(Zip Code)

(813) 290-6200

(Registrant's telephone number, including area code)

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant: (1) has filed all reports required to be filed by Section 13 or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 during the preceding 12 months (or for such shorter period that the registrant was required to file such reports), and (2) has been subject to such filing requirements for the past 90 days. Yes  No

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant has submitted electronically and posted on its corporate Web site, if any, every Interactive Data File required to be submitted and posted pursuant to Rule 405 of Regulation S-T during the preceding 12 months (or for such shorter period that the registrant was required to submit and post such files). Yes  No

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant is a large accelerated filer, an accelerated filer, a non-accelerated filer or a smaller reporting company. See the definitions of "large accelerated filer," "accelerated filer" and "smaller reporting company" in Rule 12b-2 of the Exchange Act.

Large accelerated filer  Accelerated filer  Non-accelerated filer  Smaller reporting company   
(Do not check if a smaller reporting company)

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant is a shell company (as defined in Rule 12b-2 of the Exchange Act). Yes  No

As of November 4, 2014, there were 43,905,611 shares of the registrant's common stock, par value \$.01 per share, outstanding.



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## Part I — FINANCIAL INFORMATION

## Item 1. Financial Statements.

## WELLCARE HEALTH PLANS, INC.

## CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF COMPREHENSIVE INCOME

(Unaudited, in millions, except per share and share data)

	For the Three Months Ended September 30,		For the Nine Months Ended September 30,		
	2014	2013	2014	2013	
<b>Revenues:</b>					
Premium	\$3,396.3	\$2,495.6	\$9,511.0	\$7,075.3	
Investment and other income	11.2	4.8	34.1	13.9	
Total revenues	3,407.5	2,500.4	9,545.1	7,089.2	
<b>Expenses:</b>					
Medical benefits	2,996.6	2,144.7	8,460.8	6,147.9	
Selling, general and administrative	261.5	218.8	735.7	637.6	
ACA industry fee	34.7	—	103.3	—	
Medicaid premium taxes	21.3	17.0	57.0	59.2	
Depreciation and amortization	14.4	11.0	44.0	31.8	
Impairment and other charges	—	—	24.1	—	
Interest	9.5	2.1	28.0	5.9	
Total expenses	3,338.0	2,393.6	9,452.9	6,882.4	
Income from operations	69.5	106.8	92.2	206.8	
Bargain purchase gain	(7.8	) —	31.6	—	
Income before income taxes	61.7	106.8	123.8	206.8	
Income tax expense	42.4	42.8	67.9	74.4	
Net income	19.3	64.0	55.9	132.4	
<b>Other comprehensive (loss) income, before tax:</b>					
Change in net unrealized gains and losses on available-for-sale securities	(0.2	) —	1.0	(1.0	)
Income tax expense (benefit) related to other comprehensive income (loss)	(0.2	) —	—	(0.4	)
Other comprehensive income (loss), net of tax	—	—	1.0	(0.6	)
Comprehensive income	\$19.3	\$64.0	\$56.9	\$131.8	
<b>Net income per common share:</b>					
Basic	\$0.44	\$1.47	\$1.27	\$3.05	
Diluted	\$0.44	\$1.45	\$1.27	\$3.01	
<b>Weighted average common shares outstanding:</b>					
Basic	43,885,779	43,608,626	43,851,759	43,470,758	
Diluted	44,186,034	44,037,922	44,144,045	43,972,446	

See notes to unaudited condensed consolidated financial statements.



WELLCARE HEALTH PLANS, INC.  
 CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED BALANCE SHEETS  
 (Unaudited, in millions, except share data)

	September 30, 2014	December 31, 2013
Assets		
Current Assets:		
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 1,550.5	\$1,482.5
Investments	192.0	314.7
Premiums receivable, net	588.6	490.7
Pharmacy rebates receivable, net	323.4	165.5
Receivables from government partners	82.0	—
Funds receivable for the benefit of members	548.3	93.5
Deferred ACA industry fee	34.4	—
Income taxes receivable	15.6	7.1
Prepaid expenses and other current assets, net	187.8	115.0
Deferred income tax asset	27.6	23.7
Total current assets	3,550.2	2,692.7
Property, equipment and capitalized software, net	162.2	147.4
Goodwill	263.2	236.8
Other intangible assets, net	104.1	66.5
Long-term investments	214.9	80.4
Restricted investments	150.6	82.5
Other assets	10.5	144.4
Total Assets	\$ 4,455.7	\$3,450.7
Liabilities and Stockholders' Equity		
Current Liabilities:		
Medical benefits payable	\$ 1,471.1	\$953.4
Unearned premiums	4.7	0.2
Accounts payable	24.7	22.3
Other accrued expenses and liabilities	357.5	187.7
Current portion of amount payable related to investigation resolution	34.9	36.2
Other payables to government partners	21.2	37.3
Total current liabilities	1,914.1	1,237.1
Deferred income tax liability	45.4	55.4
Amount payable related to investigation resolution	—	34.1
Long-term debt	900.0	600.0
Other liabilities	14.1	6.2
Total liabilities	2,873.6	1,932.8
Commitments and contingencies (see Note 11)	—	—

WELLCARE HEALTH PLANS, INC.  
 CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED BALANCE SHEETS  
 (Unaudited, in millions, except share data) - Continued

	September 30, 2014	December 31, 2013
Stockholders' Equity:		
Preferred stock, \$0.01 par value (20,000,000 authorized, no shares issued or outstanding)	—	—
Common stock, \$0.01 par value (100,000,000 authorized, 43,886,382 and 43,766,645 shares issued and outstanding at September 30, 2014 and December 31, 2013, respectively)	0.4	0.4
Paid-in capital	496.7	489.4
Retained earnings	1,085.3	1,029.4
Accumulated other comprehensive loss	(0.3	) (1.3
Total stockholders' equity	1,582.1	1,517.9
Total Liabilities and Stockholders' Equity	\$ 4,455.7	\$3,450.7

See notes to unaudited condensed consolidated financial statements.

## WELLCARE HEALTH PLANS, INC.

## CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY

(Unaudited, in millions, except share data)

	Common Stock		Paid in Capital	Retained Earnings	Accumulated Other Comprehensive Loss	Total Stockholders' Equity
	Shares	Amount				
Balance at January 1, 2014	43,766,645	\$0.4	\$489.4	\$1,029.4	\$ (1.3 )	\$1,517.9
Common stock issued for exercised stock options	12,567	—	0.2	—	—	0.2
Common stock issued for vested restricted stock, restricted stock units and performance stock units	147,927	—	—	—	—	—
Repurchase and retirement of shares to satisfy tax withholding requirements	(40,757 )	—	(2.4 )	—	—	(2.4 )
Equity-based compensation expense, net of forfeitures	—	—	9.2	—	—	9.2
Incremental tax benefit from equity-based compensation	—	—	0.3	—	—	0.3
Comprehensive income	—	—	—	55.9	1.0	56.9
Balance at September 30, 2014	43,886,382	\$0.4	\$496.7	\$1,085.3	\$ (0.3 )	\$1,582.1

See notes to unaudited condensed consolidated financial statements.



WELLCARE HEALTH PLANS, INC.  
 CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF CASH FLOWS  
 (Unaudited, in millions)

	For the Nine Months Ended September 30,	
	2014	2013
Cash provided by operating activities:		
Net income	\$55.9	\$132.4
Adjustments to reconcile net income to net cash provided by operating activities:		
Depreciation and amortization	44.0	31.8
Equity-based compensation expense	9.2	12.4
Bargain purchase gain	(31.6)	) —
Asset impairment and other charges	24.1	9.0
Deferred ACA industry fee amortization	103.3	—
Incremental tax benefit from equity-based compensation	(0.3)	) (3.0)
Deferred taxes, net	(1.4)	) 9.1
Provision for doubtful receivables	11.2	7.0
Changes in operating accounts, net of effects from acquisitions:		
Premiums receivable, net	(21.8)	) (32.9)
Pharmacy rebates receivable, net	(125.7)	) (18.3)
Prepaid expenses and other current assets, net	(49.1)	) (10.6)
Medical benefits payable	406.8	160.4
Unearned premiums	0.2	—
Accounts payable and other accrued expenses	(114.6)	) (55.0)
Other payables to government partners	(98.1)	) (22.9)
Amount payable related to investigation resolution	(35.4)	) (35.7)
Income taxes receivable/payable, net	(8.2)	) 45.8
Other, net	10.9	0.2
Net cash provided by operating activities	179.4	229.7
Cash provided by (used in) investing activities:		
Acquisitions, net of cash acquired	117.0	(40.5)
Purchases of investments	(290.4)	) (354.6)
Proceeds from sale and maturities of investments	326.6	304.0
Purchases of restricted investments	(68.8)	) (41.7)
Proceeds from maturities of restricted investments	7.0	28.4
Additions to property, equipment and capitalized software, net	(46.4)	) (48.9)
Net cash provided by (used in) investing activities	45.0	(153.3)
Cash (used in) provided by financing activities:		
Proceeds from issuance of debt, net of financing costs paid	298.6	228.5
Proceeds from exercises of stock options	0.2	8.6
Incremental tax benefit from equity-based compensation	0.3	3.0
Repurchase and retirement of shares to satisfy tax withholding requirements	(2.4)	) (4.1)
Payments on debt	—	(28.5)
Payments on capital leases	(1.1)	) (1.0)
Funds receivable for the benefit of members, net	(452.0)	) 7.2

Net cash (used in) provided by financing activities (156.4 ) 213.7

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WELLCARE HEALTH PLANS, INC.  
 CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF CASH FLOWS  
 (Unaudited, in millions) - Continued

	For the Nine Months Ended September 30,	
	2014	2013
Increase in cash and cash equivalents	68.0	290.1
Balance at beginning of period	1,482.5	1,100.5
Balance at end of period	\$1,550.5	\$1,390.6
<b>SUPPLEMENTAL DISCLOSURES OF CASH FLOW INFORMATION:</b>		
Cash paid for taxes	\$68.2	\$22.3
Cash paid for interest	\$18.1	\$5.3
<b>SUPPLEMENTAL DISCLOSURES OF NON-CASH TRANSACTIONS:</b>		
Non-cash additions to property, equipment, and capitalized software	\$2.3	\$2.4

See notes to unaudited condensed consolidated financial statements.

WELLCARE HEALTH PLANS, INC.

NOTES TO CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

(Unaudited, in millions, except member, per share and share data)

1. ORGANIZATION, BASIS OF PRESENTATION AND SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

WellCare Health Plans, Inc. (the "Company," "we," "us," or "our"), provides managed care services for government-sponsored health care coverage with a focus on Medicaid and Medicare programs. The Company was formed as a Delaware limited liability company in May 2002 to acquire our Florida, New York and Connecticut health plans. We completed the acquisition of the health plans through two concurrent transactions in July 2002. In July 2004, immediately prior to the closing of our initial public offering, we merged the limited liability company into a Delaware corporation and changed our name to WellCare Health Plans, Inc.

As of September 30, 2014, we served approximately 4.0 million members. During the nine months ended September 30, 2014, we operated Medicaid health plans in Florida, Georgia, Hawaii, Illinois, Kentucky, Missouri, New Jersey, New York and South Carolina. In connection with our acquisitions of Medicaid plans in South Carolina and Missouri (see Note 2), our Medicaid operations in those states began in February 2013 and April 2013, respectively.

Our Medicaid contract in Ohio expired on June 30, 2012. We were not awarded a Medicaid contract in Ohio for the 2013 fiscal year; however, the state contracted with us to provide services to Ohio Medicaid beneficiaries through the transition period, which ended June 30, 2013. As of July 1, 2013, we no longer provided Medicaid services in Ohio. The Ohio Medicaid contract accounted for approximately \$127.0 million, or 1.8%, of our consolidated premium revenue for the nine months ended September 30, 2013.

As of September 30, 2014, we also operated Medicare Advantage ("MA") coordinated care plans ("CCPs") in Arizona, Arkansas, California, Connecticut, Florida, Georgia, Hawaii, Illinois, Kentucky, Louisiana, Mississippi, Missouri, New Jersey, New York, Ohio, South Carolina, Tennessee and Texas, as well as stand-alone Medicare prescription drug plans ("PDP") in 49 states and the District of Columbia. Our MA plans in Arkansas, Mississippi, South Carolina and Tennessee are attributable to our acquisition of Windsor Health Group, Inc. ("Windsor") and our MA operations in those states began on January 1, 2014, as discussed below.

Acquisitions

On January 1, 2014, we acquired all of the outstanding stock of Windsor from Munich Health North America, Inc., a part of Munich Re Group. Through its subsidiaries, Windsor serves Medicare beneficiaries with MA, PDP and Medicare Supplement products. As of September 30, 2014, Windsor offered MA plans in 192 counties in the states of Arkansas, Mississippi, South Carolina and Tennessee, through which it served 37,000 members. In addition, one of Windsor's subsidiaries offers Medicare Supplement insurance policies through which it served 45,000 members in 39 states as of September 30, 2014. Windsor also offers PDPs in 11 of the 34 CMS regions, through which it served approximately 105,000 beneficiaries as of September 30, 2014. We included the results of Windsor's operations from the date of acquisition in our condensed consolidated financial statements.

Effective January 1, 2014, we began offering Medicaid managed care in Essex, Hudson, Middlesex, Passaic and Union counties in New Jersey. In addition, effective July 1, 2014, our New Jersey subsidiary completed the acquisition of Medicaid assets from Healthfirst Health Plans of New Jersey, Inc., ("Healthfirst NJ"). The acquired assets primarily relate to approximately 42,000 Healthfirst NJ Medicaid members who were transferred to our Medicaid plan in New Jersey, as well as to certain provider agreements which transferred to us. As a result, effective July 1, 2014, we offer Medicaid managed care in 10 counties in New Jersey.

Basis of Presentation and Use of Estimates

The accompanying unaudited condensed consolidated balance sheets and statements of comprehensive income, changes in stockholders' equity, and cash flows include the accounts of the Company and all of its majority-owned subsidiaries. We eliminated all intercompany accounts and transactions.

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The accompanying unaudited condensed consolidated interim financial statements have been prepared in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America ("GAAP") and with the instructions to Form 10-Q and Article 10 of Regulation S-X. Accordingly, certain information and footnote disclosures normally included in financial statements prepared in accordance with GAAP have been condensed or omitted. The accompanying unaudited condensed consolidated interim financial statements should be read in conjunction with the consolidated financial statements and notes thereto for the fiscal year ended December 31, 2013 included in our Annual Report on Form 10-K, filed with the U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission in February 2014. Results for the interim periods presented are not necessarily indicative of results that may be expected for the entire year or any other interim period.

In the opinion of management, the interim financial statements reflect all normal recurring adjustments that we consider necessary for the fair presentation of our financial position, results of operations and cash flows for the interim periods presented. In accordance with GAAP, we make certain estimates and assumptions that affect the amounts reported in the condensed consolidated interim financial statements and accompanying notes. We base these estimates on our knowledge of current events and anticipated future events and evaluate and update our assumptions and estimates on an ongoing basis; however, actual results may differ from our estimates. We evaluated all material events subsequent to the date of these condensed consolidated interim financial statements.

#### Significant Accounting Policies

##### Revenue Recognition

We earn premium revenue through our participation in Medicaid, Medicaid-related and Medicare programs.

State governments individually operate and implement and, together with the federal government's Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services ("CMS"), fund and regulate the Medicaid program. We provide benefits to low-income and disabled persons under the Medicaid program and are paid premiums based on contracts with government agencies in the states in which we operate health plans. Our Medicaid contracts are generally multi-year contracts subject to annual renewal provisions. Rate changes are typically made at the commencement of each new contract renewal period. In some instances, our fixed Medicaid premiums are subject to risk score adjustments based on the acuity of our membership. State agencies analyze encounter submissions of processed claims data to determine the acuity of our membership relative to the entire state's Medicaid membership.

We operate our MA plans under the Medicare Part C program and provide our eligible members with benefits comparable to those available under Medicare Parts A and B. Most of our MA plans and all of our PDPs offer prescription drug benefits to eligible members under the Medicare Part D program. Premiums for each MA member are based on our annual bids, although the rates vary according to a combination of factors, including upper payment limits established by CMS, the member's geographic location, age, gender, medical history or condition, or the services rendered to the member. Our MA contracts with CMS generally have terms of one year and expire at the end of each calendar year. PDP premiums are also based upon contracts with CMS that have a term of one year and expire at the end of each calendar year. We provide annual written bids to CMS for our PDPs, which reflect the estimated costs of providing prescription drug benefits over the plan year. Changes in MA and PDP members' health status also impact monthly premiums as described under "Risk-Adjusted Medicare Premiums" below. CMS pays all of the premium for Medicare Part C and substantially all of the premium for Medicare Part D coverage. We bill the remaining Medicare Part D premium to PDP and MA members with Part D benefits based on the plan year bid submitted to CMS. For qualifying low-income subsidy ("LIS") members, CMS pays for some or all of the LIS members' monthly premium. The CMS payment is dependent upon the member's income level as determined by the Social Security Administration.

We receive premiums from CMS and state agencies on a per member per month ("PMPM") basis for the members that are assigned to, or have selected, us to provide health care services under our Medicare and Medicaid contracts. We recognize premium revenue in the period in which we are obligated to provide services to our members. CMS and state agencies generally pay us in the month in which we provide services. We record premiums earned, but not received, as premiums receivable and record premiums received in advance of the period of service as unearned premiums in the condensed consolidated balance sheets. Unearned premiums are recognized as revenue when we provide the related services. On a monthly basis, we bill members for any premiums for which they are responsible according to their respective plan. Member premiums are recognized as revenue in the period of service. We reduce recorded premium revenue and member premiums receivable by the amount we estimate may not be collectible, based on our evaluation of historical trends. We also routinely monitor the collectability of premiums receivable from CMS and state agencies, including Medicaid receivables for obstetric deliveries and newborns and net receivables for member retroactivity. We reduce revenue and premiums receivable by the amounts we estimate may not be collectible. We report premiums receivable, net of an allowance for uncollectible premiums

receivable, which was \$22.2 million and \$15.8 million, at September 30, 2014 and December 31, 2013, respectively. Historically, the allowance for member premiums receivable has not been material relative to consolidated premium revenue.

We record retroactive adjustments to revenues based on changes in the number and eligibility status of our members subsequent to when we recorded revenue related to those members and months of service. We receive premium payments based upon eligibility lists produced by CMS and state agencies. We verify these lists to determine whether we have been paid for the correct premium category and program. From time to time, CMS and state agencies require us to reimburse them for premiums that we received for individuals who were subsequently determined by us, or by CMS or state agencies, to be ineligible for any government-sponsored program or to belong to a plan other than ours. We receive additional premiums from CMS and state agencies for individuals who were subsequently determined to belong to our plan for periods in which we received no premium for those members. We estimate the amount of outstanding retroactivity adjustments and adjust premium revenue based on historical trends, premiums billed, the volume of member and contract renewal activity and other information. We record amounts receivable or payable in premiums receivable, net and other accrued expenses and liabilities in the condensed consolidated balance sheets.

#### Supplemental Medicaid Premiums

We earn, or earned, supplemental premium payments for eligible obstetric deliveries and newborns of our Medicaid members in Georgia, Illinois, Kentucky, Missouri, New York, South Carolina and, until June 30, 2013, in Ohio. Each state Medicaid contract specifies how and when these supplemental payments are earned and paid. Upon delivery of a newborn, we notify the state agency according to the contract terms. We also earn supplemental Medicaid premium payments in some states for high cost drugs and certain services such as early childhood prevention screenings. We recognize supplemental premium revenue in the period we provide related services to our members.

#### Risk-Adjusted Medicare Premiums

CMS employs a risk-adjustment model to determine the premium amount it pays for each MA and PDP member. This model apportions premiums paid to all plans according to the health status of each beneficiary enrolled, resulting in higher scores for members with predictably higher costs. The model uses diagnosis data from inpatient and ambulatory treatment settings to calculate each risk score. We collect claims and encounter data for our MA members and submit the necessary diagnosis data to CMS within prescribed deadlines. After reviewing the respective submissions, CMS establishes the premium payments to MA plans at the beginning of the plan year, and then adjusts premium levels on a retroactive basis. The first retroactive adjustment for a given plan year generally occurs during the third quarter of that year and represents the update of risk scores for the current plan year based on the severity of claims incurred in the prior plan year. CMS then issues a final retroactive risk-adjusted premium settlement for that plan year in the following year.

We develop our estimates for risk-adjusted premiums utilizing historical experience and predictive models as sufficient member risk score data becomes available over the course of each CMS plan year. We populate our models with available risk score data on our members and base risk premium adjustments on risk score data from the previous year. We are not privy to risk score data for members new to our plans in the current plan year; therefore we include assumptions regarding these members' risk scores. We periodically revise our estimates of risk-adjusted premiums as additional diagnosis code information is reported to CMS and adjust our estimates to actual amounts when the ultimate adjustment settlements are either received from CMS or we receive notification from CMS of such settlement amounts. As a result of the variability of factors that determine our estimates for risk-adjusted premiums, the actual amount of the CMS retroactive payment could be materially more or less than our estimates and could have a material effect on our results of operations, financial position and cash flows. We record any changes in estimates in current operations as adjustments to premium revenue. Historically, we have not experienced significant differences between our estimates and amounts ultimately received. However, in the third quarter of 2013, we recognized risk adjusted



premium received as part of the 2012 final settlement that was higher than our original estimates, mainly related to members in our California MA plan that were new to Medicare in 2012. The data provided to CMS to determine members' risk scores is subject to audit by CMS even after the annual settlements occur. An audit may result in the refund of premiums to CMS. While our experience to date has not resulted in a material refund, future refunds could materially reduce premium revenue in the year in which CMS determines a refund is required and could be material to our results of operations, financial position and cash flows. Premiums receivable in the accompanying condensed consolidated balance sheets include risk-adjusted premiums receivable of \$134.7 million and \$107.2 million as of September 30, 2014 and December 31, 2013, respectively.

## Minimum Medical Expense and Risk Corridor Provisions

We may be required to refund certain premium revenue to CMS and state government agencies under various contractual and plan arrangements. We estimate the impact of the following arrangements on a monthly basis and reflect any adjustments to premium revenues in current operations. We report the estimated net amounts due to CMS and state agencies in other payables to government partners in the condensed consolidated balance sheets.

Certain of our Medicaid contracts require us to expend a minimum percentage of premiums on eligible medical benefits expense. To the extent that we expend less than the minimum percentage of the premiums on eligible medical benefits, we are required to refund to the state all or some portion of the difference between the minimum and our actual allowable medical benefits expense. We estimate the amounts due to the state agencies as a return of premium based on the terms of our contracts with the applicable state agency.

Our MA and PDP prescription drug plan premiums are subject to risk sharing through the CMS Medicare Part D risk corridor provisions. The risk corridor calculation compares our actual experience to the target amount of prescription drug costs, limited to costs under the standard coverage as defined by CMS, less rebates included in our submitted plan year bid. We receive additional premium from CMS if our actual experience is more than 5% above the target amount. We refund premiums to CMS if our actual experience is more than 5% below the target amount. After the close of the annual plan year, CMS performs the risk corridor calculation and any differences are settled between CMS and our plans. We have not historically experienced material differences between the subsequent CMS settlement amount and our estimates.

Beginning in 2014, the Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act, as amended by the Health Care and Education Reconciliation Act of 2010 (collectively, the "ACA"), requires the establishment of a minimum medical loss ratio ("MLR") for MA plans and Part D plans, requiring them to spend not less than 85% of premiums on medical benefits. The rules implementing the minimum MLR impose financial and other penalties for failing to achieve the minimum MLR, including requirements to refund to CMS shortfalls in amounts spent on medical benefits and termination of a plan's MA contract for prolonged failure to achieve the minimum MLR. MLR is determined by adding a plan's spending for clinical services, prescription drugs and other direct patient benefits, plus its total spending on quality improvement activities and dividing the total by earned premiums (after subtracting specific identified taxes and other fees). We do not expect these provisions to have a material impact to our results of operations in 2014.

## Medicare Part D Settlements

We receive certain Part D prospective subsidy payments from CMS for our MA and PDP members based on the estimated costs of providing prescription drug benefits over the plan year, as reflected in our bids. After the close of the annual plan year, CMS reconciles our actual experience to the prospective payments we received and any differences are settled between CMS and our plans. As such, these subsidies represent funding from CMS for which we assume no risk. We do not recognize the receipt of these subsidies as premium revenue and we do not recognize the payments of related prescription drug benefits as medical benefits expense. We report the subsidies received and benefits paid on a net basis as funds receivable (held) for the benefit of members in the condensed consolidated balance sheets. We also report the net receipts and payments as a financing activity in our condensed consolidated statements of cash flows. CMS pays the following subsidies prospectively as a fixed PMPM amount based upon the plan year bid submitted by us:

**Low-Income Cost Sharing Subsidy**—CMS reimburses us for all or a portion of qualifying LIS members' deductible, coinsurance and co-payment amounts above the out-of-pocket threshold.

**Catastrophic Reinsurance Subsidy**—CMS reimburses us for 80% of the drug costs after a member reaches his or her out-of-pocket catastrophic threshold through a catastrophic reinsurance subsidy.

Coverage Gap Discount Subsidy—We advance the pharmaceutical manufacturers gap coverage discounts at the point of sale. On a periodic basis, CMS bills pharmaceutical manufacturers for discounts advanced by us. Pharmaceutical manufacturers remit payments for invoiced amounts directly to us. CMS reduces subsequent prospective payments made to us by the discount amounts billed to manufacturers.

CMS generally performs the Part D payment reconciliation in the fourth quarter of the following plan year based on prescription drug event data we submit to CMS within prescribed deadlines. After the Part D payment reconciliation for coverage gap discount subsidies, we may continue to report discounts to CMS for 37 months following the end of the plan year. CMS will invoice manufacturers for these discounts and we will be paid through the quarterly manufacturer payments. Historically, we have not experienced material adjustments related to the CMS annual reconciliation of prior plan year low-income cost sharing, catastrophic reinsurance, and coverage gap discount subsidies.

#### Medical Benefits and Medical Benefits Payable

We recognize the cost of medical benefits in the period in which services are provided, including an estimate of the cost of medical benefits incurred but not reported ("IBNR"). Medical benefits expense includes direct medical expenses and certain medically-related administrative costs.

Direct medical expenses include amounts paid or payable to hospitals, physicians and providers of ancillary services, such as laboratories and pharmacies. We also record direct medical expenses for estimated referral claims related to health care providers under contract with us who are financially troubled or insolvent and who may not be able to honor their obligations for the costs of medical services provided by others. In these instances, we may be required to honor these obligations for legal or business reasons. Based on our current assessment of providers under contract with us, such losses have not been, and are not expected to be, significant. We record direct medical expense for our estimates of provider settlement due to clarification of contract terms, out-of-network reimbursement, claims payment differences and amounts due to contracted providers under risk-sharing arrangements. We estimate pharmacy rebates earned based on historical utilization of specific pharmaceuticals, current utilization and contract terms and record amounts as a reduction of recorded direct medical expenses.

Consistent with the criteria specified and defined in guidance issued by the Department of Health and Human Services ("HHS") for costs that qualify to be reported as medical benefits under the minimum medical loss ratio provision of the ACA, we record certain medically-related administrative costs such as preventive health and wellness, care management, and other quality improvement costs, as medical benefits expense. All other medically-related administrative costs, such as utilization review services, network and provider credentialing and claims handling costs, are recorded in selling, general, and administrative expense.

Medical benefits payable represents amounts for claims fully adjudicated but not yet paid and estimates for IBNR. Our estimate of IBNR is the most significant estimate included in our condensed consolidated financial statements. We determine our best estimate of the base liability for IBNR utilizing consistent standard actuarial methodologies based upon key assumptions which vary by business segment. Our assumptions include current payment experience, trend factors and completion factors. Trend factors in our standard actuarial methodologies include contractual requirements, historic utilization trends, the interval between the date services are rendered and the date claims are paid, denied claims activity, disputed claims activity, benefit changes, expected health care cost inflation, seasonality patterns, maturity of lines of business, changes in membership and other factors.

After determining an estimate of the base liability for IBNR, we make an additional estimate, also using standard actuarial techniques, to account for adverse conditions that may cause actual claims to be higher than the estimated base reserve. We refer to this additional liability as the provision for moderately adverse conditions. Our estimate of the provision for moderately adverse conditions captures the potential adverse development from factors such as:

- our entry into new geographical markets;
- our provision of services related to new programs or populations such as the aged, blind and disabled;
- variations in utilization of benefits and increasing medical costs, including high cost drugs;
- changes in provider reimbursement arrangements;

variations in claims processing speed and patterns, claims payment and the severity of claims; and health epidemics or outbreaks of disease such as the flu or enterovirus.

We consider the base actuarial model liability and the provision for moderately adverse conditions as part of our overall assessment of our IBNR estimate to properly reflect the complexity of our business, the number of states in which we operate, and the need to account for different health care benefit packages among those states. We evaluate our estimates of medical benefits payable as we obtain more complete claims information and medical expense trend data over time. Volatility in members' needs for medical services, provider claims submissions and our payment processes result in identifiable patterns emerging several months after the causes of deviations from our assumed trends occur. Changes in our estimates of medical benefits payable cannot typically be explained by any single factor, but are the result of a number of interrelated variables, all of which influence the resulting medical cost trend. We record differences between actual experience and estimates used to

establish the liability, which we refer to as favorable and unfavorable prior period reserve developments, as increases or decreases to medical benefits expense in the period we identify the differences. The cumulative effect of prior period reserve development in 2013 was a favorable \$3.0 million; however, we recognized unfavorable prior period reserve development in three of four quarters in 2013, and in the first and second quarters of 2014. Based on the unfavorable prior period reserve development experience in these quarters, we have refined certain of these assumptions, resulting in increased current period medical benefits costs incurred.

Favorable prior period reserve development amounted to \$16.6 million for the three months ended September 30, 2014, which includes \$15.4 million of favorable development related to prior fiscal years and \$1.2 million of favorable development related to the first and second quarters of 2014. For the three months ended September 30, 2013, unfavorable prior period reserve development impacted medical benefits expense by approximately \$47.5 million, which includes \$16.3 million of unfavorable development related to prior fiscal years and \$31.2 million of unfavorable development related to the first and second quarters of 2013. The favorable development recognized in the three months ended September 30, 2014 was due mainly to lower than projected medical costs, mainly in our Medicaid Health Plans segment. For the nine months ended September 30, 2014, unfavorable development related to prior fiscal years impacted medical benefits expense by approximately \$46.2 million, mainly related to the Medicaid Health Plans and Medicare Health Plans segments, compared to unfavorable development of \$7.1 million recognized during the corresponding period in 2013.

#### Reinsurance

We cede certain premiums and medical benefits to other insurance companies under various reinsurance agreements in order to increase our capacity to write larger risks and maintain our exposure to loss within our capital resources. We are contingently liable in the event the reinsurance companies do not meet their contractual obligations. We evaluate the financial condition of the reinsurance companies on a regular basis and only contract with well-known, well-established reinsurance companies that are supported by strong financial ratings. We account for reinsurance premiums and medical expense recoveries according to the terms of the underlying reinsurance contracts.

#### ACA Industry Fee

The ACA imposes an annual premium-based health insurance industry assessment (the "ACA industry fee") on health insurers beginning in 2014. The total ACA industry fee levied on the health insurance industry is \$8 billion in 2014, with increasing annual amounts thereafter and growing to \$14.3 billion by 2018. After 2018, the ACA industry fee increases according to an index based on net premium growth. The assessment is being levied on certain health insurers that provide insurance in the assessment year, and is allocated to health insurers based on each health insurer's share of net premiums for all U.S. health insurers in the year preceding the assessment. The ACA industry fee is not deductible for income tax purposes, which has significantly increased our effective income tax rate. We paid our total \$137.7 million obligation for such fees to the Internal Revenue Services ("IRS") in September 2014, which is consistent with our previous estimate. The initial estimated liability of \$129.0 million was accrued as of January 1, 2014, with an additional \$8.2 million and \$0.5 million recorded at June 30, 2014 and September 30, 2014, respectively, with a corresponding deferred expense asset that is being amortized to expense on a straight line basis. We have recognized approximately \$34.7 million and \$103.3 million of such amortization as ACA industry fee expense in the three and nine months ended September 30, 2014, respectively. The deferred expense asset amounted to \$34.4 million at September 30, 2014 and is reported as 'Deferred ACA industry fee' on the condensed consolidated balance sheet.

We have received amendments, written agreements or other documentation from all our Medicaid state customers, that commit them to reimburse us for the portion of the ACA industry fee attributable to the Medicaid programs in these states, including the related state and federal income tax gross-ups. Consequently, we recognized \$37.1 million and \$93.9 million of reimbursement for the ACA industry fee as premium revenue in the three and nine months ended

September 30, 2014, respectively. MA and PDP premiums will not be adjusted to offset the impact of the ACA industry fee.

## Equity-Based Employee Compensation

During the second quarter of 2013, our stockholders approved the WellCare Health Plans, Inc. 2013 Incentive Compensation Plan (the "2013 Plan"). Upon approval of the 2013 Plan, a total of 2,500,000 shares of our common stock were available for issuance pursuant to the 2013 Plan, minus any shares subject to outstanding awards granted on or after January 1, 2013 under our 2004 Equity Incentive Plan (the "Prior Plan"). In addition, shares subject to awards forfeited under the Prior Plan will become available for issuance under the 2013 Plan. No further awards are permitted to be granted under our Prior Plan. The Compensation Committee of our Board of Directors (the "Compensation Committee") awards certain equity-based compensation under our stock plans, including stock options, restricted stock, restricted stock units ("RSUs"), performance stock units ("PSUs") and market stock units ("MSUs"). We estimate equity-based compensation expense based on awards ultimately expected to vest. We make assumptions of forfeiture rates at the time of grant and continuously reassess our assumptions based on actual forfeiture experience.

We estimate compensation cost for stock options, restricted stock, RSUs and MSUs based on the fair value at the time of grant and recognize expense over the vesting period of the award. For stock options, the grant date fair value is measured using the Black-Scholes options-pricing model. For restricted stock and RSUs, the grant date fair value is based on the closing price of our common stock on the grant date. For MSUs, the fair value at the grant date is measured using a Monte Carlo simulation approach, which estimates the fair value of awards based on randomly generated simulated stock-price paths through a lattice-type structure. MSUs expected to vest are recognized as expense on a straight-line basis over the vesting period, which is generally three years. The number of shares of common stock earned upon vesting is determined based on the ratio of the Company's common stock price during the last 30 market trading days of the calendar year immediately preceding the vesting date to the comparable common stock price as of the grant date, applied to the base units granted. The performance ratio is capped at 150% or 200%, depending on the grant date. If our common stock price declines by more than 50% over the performance period, no shares are earned by the recipient.

At its sole discretion, the Compensation Committee sets certain financial and quality-based performance goals and a target award amount for each award of PSUs. PSUs generally cliff-vest three years from the grant date based on the achievement of the performance goals and are conditioned on the employee's continued service through the vesting date. The actual number of common stock shares earned upon vesting will range from zero shares up to 100%, 150% or 200% of the target award, depending on the award date. PSUs do not have a grant date or grant date fair value for accounting purposes as the subjective nature of the terms of the PSUs precludes a mutual understanding of the key terms and conditions. We recognize expense for PSUs ultimately expected to vest over the requisite service period based on our estimates of progress made towards the achievement of the predetermined performance measures and changes in the market price of our common stock.

## Medicaid Premium Taxes

Premium rates established in the Medicaid contracts with Georgia, Hawaii, New Jersey and New York, and, until June 30, 2013, Ohio, include, or included, an assessment or tax on Medicaid premiums. We recognize the premium tax assessment as expense in the period during which we earn the related premium revenue and remit the taxes back to the state agencies on a periodic basis.

## Property, Equipment and Capitalized Software, net

Property, equipment and capitalized software are stated at historical cost, net of accumulated depreciation. We capitalize certain costs incurred in the development of internal-use software, including external direct costs of materials and services and payroll costs of employees devoted to specific software development. We expense other software development costs, such as training and data conversion costs, as incurred. We capitalize the costs of



improvements that extend the useful lives of the related assets.

We record depreciation expense using the straight-line method over the estimated useful lives of the related assets, which ranges from three to ten years for leasehold improvements, five years for furniture and equipment, and three to five years for computer equipment and software. We include amortization of equipment under capital leases in depreciation expense. We record maintenance and repair costs as selling, general and administrative expense when incurred.

On an ongoing basis, we review events or changes in circumstances that may indicate that the carrying value of an asset may not be recoverable. If the carrying value of an asset exceeds the sum of estimated undiscounted future cash flows, we recognize an impairment loss in the current period for the difference between estimated fair value and carrying value. If assets are determined to be recoverable but the useful lives are shorter than we originally estimated, we depreciate the remaining net book value of the asset over the newly determined remaining useful lives.

## Goodwill and Other Intangible Assets

Our acquisitions have resulted in goodwill, which represents the excess of the acquisition cost over the fair value of net assets acquired. Goodwill is assigned to reporting units, which we determined to be the same as our operating segments. Goodwill recorded at September 30, 2014 was \$263.2 million, which consisted of \$152.8 million and \$110.4 million attributable to our Medicaid and Medicare Advantage Health Plans reporting units, respectively. Goodwill recorded at December 31, 2013 was \$236.8 million, which consisted of \$126.8 million and \$110.0 million attributable to our Medicaid and Medicare Advantage Health Plans reporting units, respectively.

We test goodwill for impairment at the reporting unit level at least annually, or more frequently if events or circumstances indicate that it would be more likely than not that the fair value of a reporting unit is below its carrying value. Such events or circumstances could include a significant adverse change in business climate, an adverse action or assessment by a regulator, unanticipated competition and the testing for recoverability of a significant asset group within a reporting unit, among others. To determine whether goodwill is impaired, we compare an estimate of the fair value of the applicable reporting unit to its carrying value, including goodwill. If the carrying value exceeds the estimated fair value, we compare the implied fair value of the applicable goodwill to its carrying value to measure the amount of goodwill impairment, if any. We perform our annual goodwill impairment test based on our financial position and results of operations as of June 30 of each year, which generally coincides with the finalization of federal and state contract negotiations and our initial budgeting and planning process. The annual impairment tests are based on an evaluation of estimated future discounted cash flows. The estimated discounted cash flows are based on the best information available to us at the time, including supportable assumptions and projections we believe are reasonable. Our discounted cash flow estimates use discount rates that correspond to a weighted-average cost of capital consistent with a market-participant view. The discount rates are consistent with those used for investment decisions and take into account the operating plans and strategies of our operating segments. Certain other key assumptions utilized, including changes in membership, premium, health care costs, operating expenses, fees, assessments and taxes and effective tax rates, are based on estimates consistent with those utilized in our annual budgeting and planning process that we believe are reasonable. However, if we do not achieve the results reflected in the assumptions and estimates, our goodwill impairment evaluations could be adversely affected, and we may impair a portion of our goodwill, which would adversely affect our operating results in the period of impairment. Impairments, if any, would be classified as an operating expense. Based on the results of our annual impairment testing in 2014, we determined that the fair value of each reporting unit substantially exceeded its carrying value and no goodwill impairment losses were recognized.

Other intangible assets resulting from our previous acquisitions include provider networks, broker networks, trademarks, state contracts, non-compete agreements, licenses and permits. We amortize other intangible assets over their estimated useful lives ranging from approximately one to 15 years. These assets are allocated to reporting segments for impairment testing purposes. We review our other intangible assets for impairment when events or changes in circumstances occur, which may potentially affect the estimated useful life or recoverability of the remaining balances of our intangible assets. Such events and changes in circumstances would include significant changes in membership, state funding, federal and state government contracts and provider networks. Upon such an occurrence, recoverability of assets to be held and used is measured by comparing the carrying amount of an asset to current forecasts of undiscounted future net cash flows expected to be generated by the assets. Identifiable cash flows are measured at the lowest level for which they are largely independent of the cash flows of other groups of assets and liabilities. If these assets are determined to be impaired, the amount of impairment recognized is measured by the amount by which the carrying amount of the assets exceeds their fair value.

During the second quarter of 2014, we recognized approximately \$24.1 million in impairment and other charges, approximately \$18.0 million of which related to the partial impairment of certain intangible assets recorded in

connection with the 2012 acquisition of Easy Choice Health Plan, Inc. (“Easy Choice”). During the second quarter of 2014, our Easy Choice MA health plan continued to underperform, mainly reflecting an inability to improve the medical cost structure to the degree that was previously estimated, and the inability to achieve certain administrative cost savings. As a result, we performed an updated assessment of the recoverability of these intangible assets. The current projections of undiscounted future net cash flows expected to be generated by the Easy Choice health plan reflect a significant decline in the anticipated long-term profitability of this business relative to projections we completed in prior periods. The decline in projected profitability is resulting from the factors noted above, as well the continuing margin compression that is impacting the MA business as a whole. We compared the carrying value of the underlying intangible assets to the projected, undiscounted future net cash flows and determined that the undiscounted future net cash flows were insufficient to recover the carrying value of the assets. We measured the fair value of these assets at June 30, 2014 using an income-based valuation approach, and decreased the carrying value of the intangible assets to this estimated fair value, which resulted in an impairment charge of approximately \$18.0 million. We believe the assumptions used in the income approach, including the projected cash flows associated with the assets,

as well as other key factors and assumptions, including the selection of an appropriate discount rate, were consistent with those that likely marketplace participants would experience when operating in the same market, with the same membership. The remaining charges for the quarter also include a charge for the full impairment of intangible assets associated with the purchase of our Arizona MA plan after we concluded during the three months ended June 30, 2014, to exit the Arizona MA market in 2015, and charges resulting from the resolution of certain matters related to the purchase price of our 2013 acquisitions. We are no longer able to recognize such charges as adjustments to acquired assets, since we are beyond the measurement period established in the accounting rules for business combinations.

#### Income Taxes

We record income tax expense as incurred based on enacted tax rates, estimates of book-to-tax differences in income, and projections of income that will be earned in each taxing jurisdiction. We recognize deferred tax assets and liabilities for the estimated future tax consequences of differences between the carrying amounts of existing assets and liabilities and their respective tax basis. We measure deferred tax assets and liabilities using tax rates applicable to taxable income in the years in which we expect to recover or settle those temporary differences. We record a valuation allowance on deferred taxes if we determine it is more likely than not that we will not fully realize the future benefit of deferred tax assets. We file tax returns after the close of our fiscal year end and adjust our estimated tax receivable or liability to the actual tax receivable or due per the filed state and federal tax returns. Historically, we have not experienced significant differences between our estimates of income tax expense and actual amounts incurred.

State and federal taxing authorities may challenge the positions we take on our filed tax returns. We evaluate our tax positions and only recognize a tax benefit if it is more likely than not that a tax audit will sustain our conclusion. Based on our evaluation of tax positions, we believe that potential tax exposures have been recorded appropriately. State and federal taxing authorities may propose additional tax assessments based on periodic audits of our tax returns. We believe our tax positions comply with applicable tax law in all material aspects and we will vigorously defend our positions on audit. The ultimate resolution of these audits may materially impact our financial position, results of operations or cash flows. We have not experienced material adjustments to our condensed consolidated financial statements as a result of these audits.

We participate in the IRS Compliance Assurance Process ("CAP"). The objective of CAP is to reduce taxpayer burden and uncertainty by working with the IRS to ensure tax return accuracy prior to filing, thereby reducing or eliminating the need for post-filing examinations.

#### Pro Forma Financial Information

The results of operations and financial condition for our 2014 and 2013 acquisitions have been included in our condensed consolidated financial statements since the respective acquisition dates. The unaudited pro forma financial information presented below assumes that the acquisitions occurred as of January 1, 2013. The pro forma adjustments include the pro forma effect of the amortization of finite-lived intangible assets arising from the purchase price allocations, adjustments necessary to align the acquired companies' accounting policies to our accounting policies and the associated income tax effects of the pro forma adjustments. The following unaudited pro forma results have been prepared for comparative purposes only and do not purport to be indicative of the results of operations that would have occurred had the acquisitions been consummated at the beginning of the periods presented. Only pro forma results for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2013 have been presented, as Windsor was acquired on January 1, 2014, and its results of operations have been included in our condensed consolidated financial statements from that date.

	Pro forma - unaudited	
	For the Three Months	For the Nine
	Ended September 30,	Months Ended
(in millions, except per share data)		

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	2013	September 30, 2013
Premium revenue	\$2,768.5	\$7,960.1
Net earnings	\$80.1	\$147.9
Earnings per share:		
Basic	\$1.84	\$3.40
Diluted	\$1.82	\$3.36

## Recently Adopted Accounting Standards

In July 2013, the Financial Accounting Standards Board ("FASB") issued ASU 2013-11, "Income Taxes (Topic 740): Presentation of an Unrecognized Tax Benefit When a Net Operating Loss Carryforward, a Similar Tax Loss, or a Tax Credit Carryforward Exists." This update addresses the diversity in practice regarding financial statement presentation of an unrecognized tax benefit when a net operating loss carryforward, a similar tax loss, or a tax credit carryforward exists. The guidance requires an unrecognized tax benefit, or a portion thereof, to be presented in the financial statements as a reduction to a deferred tax asset for a net operating loss carryforward, a similar tax loss, or a tax credit carryforward. To the extent the deferred tax asset is not available at the reporting date to settle any additional income taxes that would result from the disallowance of a tax position, the unrecognized tax benefit should be presented in the financial statements as a liability and should not be combined with the deferred tax asset. The amendments in this standard are effective for reporting periods beginning after December 15, 2013, with early adoption permitted. We adopted this standard effective January 1, 2014, without any material impact on our consolidated financial position, results of operations or cash flows.

In February 2013, the FASB issued ASU 2013-04, "Liabilities (Topic 405): Obligations Resulting from Joint and Several Liability Arrangements for Which the Total Amount of the Obligation Is Fixed at the Reporting Date." This update provides guidance for the recognition, measurement and disclosure of obligations resulting from joint and several liability arrangements for which the total amount of the obligation within the scope of the guidance is fixed at the reporting date. The guidance in this update also requires the entity to disclose the nature and amount of the obligation, as well as other information about such obligations. The guidance is effective for fiscal years beginning after December 15, 2013, with early adoption permitted. We adopted this standard effective January 1, 2014, without any material impact on our consolidated financial position, results of operations or cash flows.

In July 2011, the FASB issued ASU 2011-06, "Other Expenses – Fees Paid to the Federal Government by Health Insurers." This update addresses accounting for the annual fees mandated by the ACA. The ACA imposes an annual fee on health insurers, payable to the U.S. government, calculated on net premiums and third-party administrative agreement fees. The updated standard requires that the liability for the fee be estimated and accrued in full once the entity provides qualifying health insurance in the applicable calendar year in which the fee is payable with a corresponding deferred cost that is amortized to expense. The fees are initiated for calendar years beginning January 1, 2014, and the amendments provided by this update become effective for calendar years beginning after December 31, 2013. We adopted this standard effective January 1, 2014. See additional discussion in 'ACA Industry Fee'.

## 2. ACQUISITIONS

### Healthfirst NJ

On July 1, 2014, our New Jersey subsidiary completed the acquisition of Medicaid assets from Healthfirst NJ. The acquired assets primarily relate to approximately 42,000 Healthfirst NJ Medicaid members who were transferred to our Medicaid plan in New Jersey, as well as certain provider agreements.

Based on the preliminary purchase price allocation, we allocated \$10.8 million of the purchase price to identified intangible assets and recorded the excess of purchase price over the aggregate fair values of \$16.2 million as goodwill. The recorded goodwill and other intangible assets related to the Healthfirst NJ acquisition are deductible for income tax purposes. It is possible that further adjustments could be made to the purchase price and allocations depending on the resolution of certain matters related to the purchase price, although we are unable to estimate the impact at this time.

### Windsor

On January 1, 2014, we acquired all of the outstanding stock of Windsor from Munich Health North America, Inc., a part of Munich Re Group. Through its subsidiaries, Windsor serves Medicare beneficiaries with MA, PDP and Medicare Supplement products. As of September 30, 2014, Windsor offered MA plans in 192 counties in the states of Arkansas, Mississippi, South Carolina and Tennessee, through which it served 37,000 members. In addition, one of Windsor's subsidiaries offers Medicare Supplement insurance policies through which it served 45,000 members in 39 states as of September 30, 2014. Windsor also offers PDPs in 11 of the 34 CMS regions, through which it served approximately 105,000 beneficiaries as of September 30, 2014. We included the results of Windsor's operations from the date of acquisition in our condensed consolidated financial statements. Windsor's operations contributed premium revenue of \$148.8 million and pre-tax income of \$4.6 million for the three months ended September 30, 2014 and premium revenue of \$477.3 million and a net pre-tax loss of \$5.7 million, incl

cluding certain one-time costs for severance and integration, for the nine months ended September 30, 2014. We included the results of Windsor's operations from the date of acquisition in our condensed consolidated financial statements.

The following table summarizes the preliminary estimated fair values of tangible and intangible assets acquired and liabilities assumed at the acquisition date.

Cash and cash equivalents	\$169.0	
Investments	47.1	
Premiums receivable, net	87.4	
Other intangible assets	54.3	
Pharmacy rebates receivable, net	32.2	
Other assets	34.0	
Deferred tax asset	32.9	
Total assets acquired	456.9	
Medical benefits payable	(110.9	)
Accrued expenses and other payables	(76.9	)
Deferred tax liability	(20.6	)
Total liabilities assumed	(208.4	)
Fair value of net assets acquired	\$248.5	

As a result of the Windsor acquisition, the estimated fair value of the net tangible and intangible assets that we acquired exceeded the total consideration payable to the seller by approximately \$31.6 million. When assessing this result from an accounting perspective, we considered:

the seller's decision to divest Windsor following a review of its business strategy in the U.S. and focus on other types of health businesses;

the value of net assets we acquired included the benefit of net operating losses and other tax benefits that the seller was not able to utilize given its tax position, and

a credit reflected in the purchase price for certain transition costs we expected to incur after the transaction closed.

After consideration of all relevant factors, including those cited above, and verifying that all assets acquired and liabilities assumed were identified, we concluded that the excess fair value of \$31.6 million constituted a bargain purchase gain in accordance with accounting rules related to business combinations. Approximately \$28.3 million of the gain was recorded during the first quarter of 2014. Subsequently, an \$11.1 million increase was recognized during the second quarter of 2014 reflecting refined estimates of the fair value of certain tax benefits acquired as part of the transaction, and a \$7.8 million decrease in the gain was recognized during the three months ended September 30, 2014 for additional changes in the estimate of tax benefits, as well as estimated additional purchase price settlements with the seller. It is possible that further adjustments could be made to the gain depending on the resolution of certain matters related to the purchase price, although we are unable to estimate the impact at this time.

As reflected in the table above, we recorded \$54.3 million for the preliminary valuation of identified other intangible assets, including MA and Medicare Supplement membership bases of \$20.1 million (15-year useful life), PDP membership bases of \$17.5 million (8-year useful life), provider networks of \$5.2 million (15-year useful life), broker networks of \$3.3 million (10-year useful life) and aggregated other identified intangible assets of \$8.2 million (9-year useful life). We valued the other intangible assets using a combination of income and cost approaches, where appropriate. Membership bases were valued based on the income approach using a discounted future cash flow analysis based on our consideration of historical financial results and expected industry and market trends. We discounted the future cash flows by a weighted-average cost of capital based on an analysis of the cost of capital for guideline companies within our industry. We amortize the intangible assets on a straight-line basis over the period we



expect these assets to contribute directly or indirectly to the future cash flows. The weighted average amortization period for these intangibles was 11.5 years. The allocation of the purchase price is based on certain preliminary data and could change when final information is obtained.

#### WellCare of South Carolina

On January 31, 2013, we acquired all outstanding stock of WellCare of South Carolina, Inc. ("WCSC"), formerly UnitedHealthcare of South Carolina, Inc., a South Carolina Medicaid subsidiary of UnitedHealth Group Incorporated. We included the results of WCSC's operations from the date of acquisition in our condensed consolidated financial statements.

We completed certain aspects of the accounting for the WCSC acquisition during the first quarter of 2014, and based on the final purchase price allocation, we allocated \$24.7 million of the purchase price to identified tangible net assets and \$9.5 million of the purchase price to identified intangible assets. We recorded the excess of purchase price over the aggregate fair values of \$12.7 million as goodwill. The recorded goodwill and other intangible assets related to the WCSC acquisition are deductible for tax purposes.

#### Missouri Care

On March 31, 2013, we acquired all outstanding stock of Missouri Care, Incorporated, a subsidiary of Aetna Inc. ("Missouri Care"), which participates in the Missouri HealthNet Medicaid program. We began serving Missouri Care members effective April 1, 2013 and we included the results of Missouri Care's operations from the date of acquisition in our condensed consolidated financial statements. As of September 30, 2014, Missouri Care membership approximated 101,000.

We completed certain aspects of the accounting for the Missouri Care acquisition during the first quarter of 2014, and based on the final purchase price allocation, we allocated \$10.2 million of the purchase price to identified tangible net assets and \$7.1 million of the purchase price to identified intangible assets. We recorded the excess of purchase price over the aggregate fair values of \$10.7 million as goodwill, which reflects a \$7.7 million increase recognized during the first quarter of 2014. The recorded goodwill and other intangible assets related to the Missouri Care acquisition are deductible for income tax purposes.

### 3. SEGMENT REPORTING

On a regular basis, we evaluate discrete financial information and assess the performance of our three reportable segments, Medicaid Health Plans, Medicare Health Plans and Medicare PDPs, to determine the most appropriate use and allocation of Company resources. Prior to the Windsor acquisition on January 1, 2014, we identified three operating segments for our company: Medicaid, MA and PDP. In conjunction with the Windsor acquisition, we began offering Medicare Supplement products and we reassessed our segment reporting practices and made revisions to reflect our current method of managing performance and determining resource allocation, which includes reviewing the results of Medicare Supplement and MA operations acquired as part of the Windsor acquisition together with our legacy MA plans. Accordingly, we include results for Medicare Supplement operations together with MA and renamed the segment as Medicare Health Plans. Similarly, we include the PDP operations acquired as part of the Windsor acquisition together with WellCare's PDPs and renamed the segment as Medicare PDPs. In addition, we renamed the Medicaid segment Medicaid Health Plans; however, there were no changes to the composition of this segment.

## Medicaid Health Plans

Our Medicaid Health Plans segment includes plans for beneficiaries of Temporary Assistance for Needy Families ("TANF"), Supplemental Security Income ("SSI"), Aged Blind and Disabled ("ABD") and other state-based programs that are not part of the Medicaid program, such as Children's Health Insurance Program ("CHIP"), Family Health Plus ("FHP"), and Managed Long-Term Care ("MLTC") programs. TANF generally provides assistance to low-income families with children. ABD and SSI generally provide assistance to low-income aged, blind or disabled individuals. CHIP and FHP programs provide assistance to qualifying families who are not eligible for Medicaid because their income exceeds the applicable income thresholds. The MLTC program is designed to help people with chronic illnesses or who have disabilities and need health and long-term care services, such as home care or adult day care, to enable them to stay in their homes and communities as long as possible.

Our Medicaid operations in certain states individually account for 10% or more of our consolidated premium revenue. Those states, and the respective Medicaid premium revenue as a percentage of total consolidated premium revenue, are as follows:

	For the Three Months Ended		For the Nine Months Ended	
	September 30,		September 30,	
	2014	2013	2014	2013
Kentucky	18%	15%	18%	14%
Georgia	13%	17%	13%	16%
Florida	15%	12%	13%	12%

Our primary Kentucky contract commenced in July 2011 and has an initial three-year term and provides for four additional one-year option terms, exercisable upon mutual agreement of the parties, which potentially extends the total term until July 2018. The first option term, through June 30, 2015, has been exercised.

In March 2014, the Georgia Department of Community Health ("Georgia DCH") amended our Georgia Medicaid contract to include two additional one-year renewal options, exercisable by the Georgia DCH, which could potentially extend the contract term to June 30, 2016. The Georgia DCH exercised its option in June 2014 to extend the term of our Georgia Medicaid contract until June 30, 2015.

In February 2014, we executed a contract with the Florida Agency for Health Care Administration ("AHCA") to provide managed care services to Medicaid recipients in eight out of the state's 11 regions under the new program. The program commenced on May 1, 2014, with the implementation of three regions. Three additional regions were implemented in June, one in July and one in August.

## Medicare Health Plans

Our Medicare Health Plans reportable segment includes the combined operations of both the MA and Medicare Supplement operating segments. Medicare is a federal program that provides eligible persons age 65 and over and some disabled persons with a variety of hospital, medical and prescription drug benefits. MA is Medicare's managed care alternative to the original Medicare program, which provides individuals standard Medicare benefits directly through CMS. Our MA CCPs generally require members to seek health care services and select a primary care physician from a network of health care providers. In addition, we offer coverage of prescription drug benefits under the Medicare Part D program as a component of most of our MA plans. We also offer Medicare Supplement policies in certain states.

## Medicare PDPs

We offer stand-alone Medicare Part D coverage to Medicare-eligible beneficiaries in our Medicare PDPs segment. The Medicare Part D prescription drug benefit is supported by risk sharing with the federal government through risk corridors designed to limit the losses and gains of the participating drug plans and by reinsurance for catastrophic drug costs. The government subsidy is based on the national weighted average monthly bid for this coverage, adjusted for risk factor payments. Additional subsidies are provided for dually-eligible beneficiaries and specified low-income beneficiaries. The Part D program offers national in-network prescription drug coverage that is subject to limitations in certain circumstances.

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We allocate goodwill and other intangible assets to our reportable operating segments. We do not allocate any other assets and liabilities, investment and other income, or selling, general and administrative, depreciation and amortization, or interest expense to our reportable operating segments, with the exception of the ACA industry fee. The Company's decision-makers primarily use premium revenue, medical benefits expense and gross margin to evaluate the performance of our reportable operating segments. A summary of financial information for our reportable operating segments through the gross margin level and a reconciliation to income before income taxes is presented in the tables below.

	For the Three Months Ended		For the Nine Months Ended	
	September 30,		September 30,	
	2014	2013	2014	2013
Premium revenue:	(in millions)			
Medicaid Health Plans	\$2,127.9	\$1,492.4	\$5,631.2	\$4,184.8
Medicare Health Plans	1,012.2	807.3	2,953.5	2,286.2
Medicare PDPs	256.2	195.9	926.3	604.3
Total premium revenue	3,396.3	2,495.6	9,511.0	7,075.3
Medical benefits expense:				
Medicaid Health Plans	1,849.0	1,314.6	4,933.5	3,636.3
Medicare Health Plans	918.0	685.7	2,633.5	1,968.6
Medicare PDPs	229.6	144.4	893.8	543.0
Total medical benefits expense	2,996.6	2,144.7	8,460.8	6,147.9
ACA industry fee expense:				
Medicaid Health Plans	20.4	—	60.6	—
Medicare Health Plans	11.4	—	34.0	—
Medicare PDPs	2.9	—	8.7	—
Total ACA industry fee expense	34.7	—	103.3	—
Gross margin				
Medicaid Health Plans	258.5	177.8	637.1	548.5
Medicare Health Plans	82.8	121.6	286.0	317.6
Medicare PDPs	23.7	51.5	23.8	61.3
Total gross margin	365.0	350.9	946.9	927.4
Investment and other income	11.2	4.8	34.1	13.9
Other expenses	(306.7	) (248.9	) (888.8	) (734.5
Income from operations	\$69.5	\$106.8	\$92.2	\$206.8

#### 4. NET INCOME PER COMMON SHARE

We compute basic net income per common share on the basis of the weighted-average number of unrestricted common shares outstanding. We compute diluted net income per common share on the basis of the weighted-average number of unrestricted common shares outstanding plus the dilutive effect of outstanding stock options, restricted stock, RSUs, MSUs and PSUs using the treasury stock method.

The calculation of the weighted-average common shares outstanding — diluted is as follows:

	For the Three Months Ended September 30,		For the Nine Months Ended September 30,	
	2014	2013	2014	2013
Weighted-average common shares outstanding — basic	43,885,779	43,608,626	43,851,759	43,470,758
Dilutive effect of:				
Unvested restricted stock, restricted stock units, market stock and performance stock units	293,316	330,283	282,535	352,161
Stock options	6,939	99,013	9,751	149,527
Weighted-average common shares outstanding — diluted	44,186,034	44,037,922	44,144,045	43,972,446
Anti-dilutive stock options, restricted stock and performance based awards excluded from computation	12,951	64,862	38,703	102,988

## 5. INVESTMENTS

The Company considers all of its investments as available-for-sale securities. The amortized cost, gross unrealized gains or losses and estimated fair value of short-term and long term investments by security type are summarized in the following tables.

	Amortized Cost	Gross Unrealized Gains	Gross Unrealized Losses	Estimated Fair Value
September 30, 2014				
Auction rate securities	\$34.1	\$—	\$(1.8)	) \$32.3
Certificates of deposit	0.5	—	—	0.5
Corporate debt and other securities	112.7	0.2	(0.3)	) 112.6
Money market funds	41.4	—	—	41.4
Municipal securities	84.0	0.5	—	84.5
Variable rate bond fund	110.1	0.3	—	110.4
U.S. government securities	25.2	0.1	(0.1)	) 25.2
	\$408.0	\$1.1	\$(2.2)	) \$406.9
December 31, 2013				
Auction rate securities	\$34.2	\$—	\$(2.4)	) \$31.8
Certificates of deposit	1.6	—	—	1.6
Corporate debt and other securities	104.5	0.1	(0.1)	) 104.5
Money market funds	43.4	—	—	43.4
Municipal securities	108.9	—	—	108.9
Variable rate bond fund	84.9	0.4	—	85.3
U.S. government securities	19.5	0.1	—	19.6
	\$397.0	\$0.6	\$(2.5)	) \$395.1

Realized gains and losses on sales and redemptions of investments were not material for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2014 and 2013.



Contractual maturities of available-for-sale investments at September 30, 2014 are as follows:

	Total	Within 1 Year	1 Through 5 Years	5 Through 10 Years	Thereafter
Auction rate securities	\$32.3	\$—	\$—	\$—	\$32.3
Certificates of deposit	0.5	0.5	—	—	—
Corporate debt and other securities	112.6	12.9	94.3	4.5	0.9
Money market funds	41.4	41.4	—	—	—
Municipal securities	84.5	23.7	54.0	6.8	—
Variable rate bond fund	110.4	110.4	—	—	—
U.S. government securities	25.2	3.1	22.0	—	0.1
	\$406.9	\$192.0	\$170.3	\$11.3	\$33.3

Actual maturities may differ from contractual maturities due to the exercise of pre-payment options.

Excluding investments in U.S. government securities, we are not exposed to any significant concentration of credit risk in our fixed maturities portfolio. Our long-term investments include \$32.3 million estimated fair value of municipal note securities with an auction reset feature ("auction rate securities"), which were issued by various state and local municipal entities for the purpose of financing student loans, public projects and other activities. Liquidity for these auction rate securities is typically provided by an auction process, which allows holders to sell their notes and resets the applicable interest rate at pre-determined intervals, usually every seven or 35 days. We consider our auction rate securities to be in an inactive market as auctions have continued to fail in 2014. Our auction rate securities have been in an unrealized loss position for more than twelve months. Two auction rate securities with an aggregate par value of \$22.5 million have investment grade security credit ratings and one auction rate security with a par value of \$11.6 million has a credit rating below investment grade. Our auction rate securities are covered by government guarantees or municipal bond insurance and we have the ability and intent to hold these securities until maturity or market stability is restored. Accordingly, we do not believe our auction rate securities are impaired and have not recorded any other-than-temporary impairment as of September 30, 2014.

There were no material redemptions or sales of our auction rate securities during the three and nine months ended September 30, 2014 and September 30, 2013, and accordingly, gains and losses associated with our auction rate securities were not material during any of those periods.

## 6. RESTRICTED INVESTMENTS

The amortized cost, gross unrealized gains, gross unrealized losses and fair value of our restricted investment securities are as follows:

	Amortized Cost	Gross Unrealized Gains	Gross Unrealized Losses	Estimated Fair Value
September 30, 2014				
Cash	\$54.4	\$—	\$—	\$54.4
Certificates of deposit	1.0	—	—	1.0
Money market funds	66.0	—	—	66.0
U.S. government securities	29.2	0.1	(0.1)	29.2
	\$150.6	\$0.1	\$(0.1)	\$150.6
December 31, 2013				
Cash	\$40.2	\$—	\$—	\$40.2



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Certificates of deposit	1.4	—	—	1.4
Money market funds	19.0	—	—	19.0
U.S. government securities	22.0	—	(0.1	) 21.9
	\$82.6	\$—	\$(0.1	) \$82.5

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Realized gains and losses on restricted investments were immaterial for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2014 and September 30, 2013.

## 7. EQUITY-BASED COMPENSATION

Compensation expense related to our equity-based compensation awards was \$3.0 million and \$5.4 million for the three months ended September 30, 2014 and September 30, 2013, respectively, and \$9.2 million and \$12.4 million for the nine months ended September 30, 2014 and September 30, 2013, respectively. As of September 30, 2014, there was \$28.4 million of unrecognized compensation cost related to non-vested equity-based compensation arrangements that is expected to be recognized over a weighted-average period of 1.9 years. The unrecognized compensation cost for our PSUs, which are subject to variable accounting, was determined based on the closing common stock price of \$60.34 as of September 30, 2014 and amounted to approximately \$9.8 million of the total unrecognized compensation. Due to the nature of the accounting for these awards, future compensation cost will fluctuate based on changes in our common stock price.

A summary of stock option activity for the nine months ended September 30, 2014, and the aggregate intrinsic value and weighted average remaining contractual term for stock options as of September 30, 2014, is presented in the table below.

	Shares	Weighted Average Exercise Price	Aggregate Intrinsic Value	Weighted Average Remaining Contractual Term (Years)
Outstanding as of January 1, 2014	31,381	\$29.47		
Granted	—	—		
Exercised	(13,896)	) 21.47		
Forfeited and expired	(1,407)	) 14.49		
Outstanding as of September 30, 2014 <sup>(1)</sup>	16,078	\$37.70	\$0.4	1.1

(1) All of the Company's outstanding stock options were vested and exercisable as of September 30, 2014.

A summary of RSU activity for the nine months ended September 30, 2014 is presented in the table below.

	RSUs	Weighted Average Grant-Date Fair Value
Outstanding as of January 1, 2014	259,836	\$56.51
Granted	316,815	64.79
Vested	(85,287)	) 54.42
Forfeited and expired	(44,488)	) 59.76
Outstanding as of September 30, 2014	446,876	62.46

A summary of our MSU activity for the nine months ended September 30, 2014 is presented in the table below.

MSUs	Weighted Average Grant-Date
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		Fair Value
Outstanding as of January 1, 2014	83,889	\$79.38
Granted	69,704	71.74
Vested	—	—
Forfeited and expired	(28,161	) 77.89
Outstanding as of September 30, 2014	125,432	75.47

A summary of the activity for our PSU awards, which are subject to variable accounting, for the nine months ended September 30, 2014 is presented in the table below.

	PSUs	Weighted Average Grant-Date Fair Value
Outstanding as of January 1, 2014	288,487	\$55.30
Granted	258,679	62.58
Vested	(62,640	) 40.57
Forfeited and expired	(67,821	) 60.72
Outstanding as of September 30, 2014	416,705	61.16

## 8. DEBT

### Credit Agreement

In September 2014, we amended and restated our existing credit agreement (as amended and restated, the "Credit Agreement") to provide for a \$300.0 million term loan (the "Term Loan") in addition to the previously-existing senior unsecured revolving loan facility (the "Revolving Credit Facility") of up to \$300.0 million, which may be used for general corporate purposes of the Company and its subsidiaries. The Revolving Credit Facility provides that up to \$75.0 million may be used for letters of credit. The Credit Agreement also provides that we may, at our option, increase the aggregate amount of the Revolving Credit Facility and/or obtain incremental term loans in an amount up to \$75.0 million without the consent of any lenders not participating in such increase, subject to certain customary conditions and lenders committing to provide the increase in funding. The Term Loan matures in September 2016, with no amortization payments or prepayment penalties. We are not able to re-borrow amounts repaid under the Term Loan. The commitments under the Revolving Credit Facility expire on November 14, 2018 and any amounts outstanding under the facility will be payable in full at that time. Borrowings under the Credit Agreement bear interest at a rate of LIBOR plus a spread between 1.50% and 2.625%, or a rate equal to the Prime Rate plus a spread between 0.50% to 1.625%, depending upon our cash flow leverage ratio (which is defined as the ratio of our total debt to total consolidated EBITDA.) Unutilized commitments under the Credit Agreement are subject to a fee of 0.25% to 0.45% depending upon our cash flow leverage ratio.

The Credit Agreement contains negative and financial covenants that limit certain activities of our company and its subsidiaries, including (i) restrictions on our ability to incur additional indebtedness; and (ii) financial covenants that require (a) the cash flow leverage ratio not to exceed a maximum; (b) a minimum interest expense and principal payment coverage ratio; and (c) a minimum level of statutory net worth for our health maintenance organization and insurance subsidiaries. The Credit Agreement also contains customary representations and warranties that must be accurate in order for us to borrow under the Revolving Credit Facility. In addition, the Credit Agreement contains customary events of default. If an event of default occurs and is continuing, we may be required immediately to repay all amounts outstanding under the Credit Agreement. Lenders holding at least 50% of the loans and commitments under the Credit Agreement may elect to accelerate the maturity of the loans and/or terminate the commitments under the Credit Agreement upon the occurrence and during the continuation of an event of default.

We received net proceeds of \$298.6 million in connection with the funding of the Term Loan and closing of the Credit Agreement in September 2014. The Term Loan is classified as long-term debt in the Company's condensed consolidated balance sheet at September 30, 2014 based on its September 2016 maturity date. The interest rate on the Term Loan was 2.44% as of September 30, 2014.

As of September 30, 2014 and as of the date of this filing, we have not drawn upon the Revolving Credit Facility and we remain in compliance with all covenants under both the Credit Agreement and the Senior Notes (defined below).

Senior Notes due 2020

In November 2013, we completed the offering and sale of \$600.0 million aggregate principal amount of 5.75% unsecured senior notes due 2020 (the "Senior Notes"). The aggregate net proceeds from the issuance of the Senior Notes were used to repay the full outstanding balance under our 2011 credit agreement, and the remaining net proceeds are being used for general corporate purposes, including organic growth opportunities and potential acquisitions. The Senior Notes will mature on

November 15, 2020, and bear interest at a rate of 5.75% per annum. Interest is computed on the basis of a 360-day year comprised of twelve 30-day months. Interest on the Senior Notes is payable semi-annually on May 15 and November 15 of each year and commenced on May 15, 2014.

The Senior Notes were issued under an indenture, dated as of November 14, 2013 (the “Base Indenture”), as supplemented by the First Supplemental Indenture, dated as of November 14, 2013 (together with the Base Indenture, the “Indenture”) each between us and The Bank of New York Mellon Trust Company, N.A., as trustee. The Indenture under which the notes were issued contains covenants that, among other things, limit our ability and the ability of our restricted subsidiaries to:

- incur additional indebtedness and issue preferred stock;
- pay dividends or make other distributions;
- make other restricted payments and investments;
- sell assets, including capital stock of restricted subsidiaries;
- create certain liens;
- incur restrictions on the ability of restricted subsidiaries to pay dividends or make other payments, and in the case of the our subsidiaries, guarantee indebtedness;
- engage in transactions with affiliates;
- create unrestricted subsidiaries; and
- merge or consolidate with other entities.

#### Ranking and Optional Redemption

The Senior Notes are senior obligations of our company and rank equally in right of payment with all of our other existing and future unsecured and unsubordinated indebtedness. In addition, the Senior Notes are structurally subordinated to all indebtedness and other liabilities of our subsidiaries (unless our subsidiaries become guarantors of the Senior Notes). We may redeem up to 40% of the aggregate principal amount of the Senior Notes at any time prior to November 15, 2016, at a redemption price equal to 105.75% of the principal amount of the Senior Notes redeemed, plus accrued and unpaid interest.

On or after November 15, 2016, we may on any one or more occasions redeem all or part of the Senior Notes, at the redemption prices (expressed as percentages of principal amount) set forth below, if redeemed during the twelve-month period beginning on November 15 of the years indicated below, subject to the rights of holders of Senior Notes on the relevant record date to receive interest due on the relevant interest payment date:

Period	Redemption Price	
2016	102.875	%
2017	101.438	%
2018 and thereafter	100	%

The Senior Notes are classified as long-term debt in the Company’s condensed consolidated balance sheets at September 30, 2014 and December 31, 2013, respectively, based on their November 2020 maturity date.

#### 9. FAIR VALUE MEASUREMENTS

Our condensed consolidated balance sheets include the following financial instruments: cash and cash equivalents, investments, receivables, accounts payable, medical benefits payable, long-term debt and other liabilities. We consider the carrying amounts of cash and cash equivalents, receivables, other current assets and current liabilities to approximate their fair value due to the short period of time between the origination of these instruments and the

expected realization or payment.

## Recurring Fair Value Measurements

Assets and liabilities measured at fair value on a recurring basis at September 30, 2014 are as follows:

	Carrying Value	Fair Value Measurements Using Quoted Prices in Active Markets for Identical Assets (Level 1)	Significant Other Observable Inputs (Level 2)	Significant Unobservable Inputs (Level 3)
<b>Investments:</b>				
Asset backed securities	\$21.6	\$—	\$21.6	\$—
Auction rate securities	32.3	—	—	32.3
Certificates of deposit	0.5	—	0.5	—
Corporate debt securities	91.0	—	91.0	—
Money market funds	41.4	41.4	—	—
Municipal securities	84.5	—	84.5	—
U.S. government and agency obligations	25.2	19.8	5.4	—
Variable rate bond fund	110.4	110.4	—	—
Total investments	\$406.9	\$171.6	\$203.0	\$32.3
<b>Restricted investments:</b>				
Cash	54.4	54.4	—	—
Certificates of deposit	1.0	—	1.0	—
Money market funds	66.0	66.0	—	—
U.S. government and agency obligations	29.2	29.2	—	—
Total restricted investments	\$150.6	\$149.6	\$1.0	\$—
Amounts accrued related to investigation resolution	\$34.9	\$—	\$34.9	\$—



Assets and liabilities measured at fair value on a recurring basis at December 31, 2013 are as follows:

	Carrying Value	Fair Value Measurements Using		
		Quoted Prices in Active Markets for Identical Assets (Level 1)	Significant Other Observable Inputs (Level 2)	Significant Unobservable Inputs (Level 3)
<b>Investments:</b>				
Asset backed securities	\$1.6	\$—	\$1.6	\$—
Auction rate securities	31.8	—	—	31.8
Certificates of deposit	1.6	—	1.6	—
Corporate debt securities	102.9	—	102.9	—
Money market funds	43.4	43.4	—	—
Municipal securities	108.9	—	108.9	—
U.S. government securities	19.6	19.6	—	—
Variable rate bond fund	85.3	85.3	—	—
Total investments	\$395.1	\$148.3	\$215.0	\$31.8
<b>Restricted investments:</b>				
Cash	\$40.2	\$40.2	\$—	\$—
Certificates of deposit	1.4	—	1.4	—
Money market funds	19.0	19.0	—	—
U.S. government securities	21.9	21.9	—	—
Total restricted investments	\$82.5	\$81.1	\$1.4	\$—
Amounts accrued related to investigation resolution	\$70.3	\$—	\$70.3	\$—

The following table presents the carrying value and fair value of our Senior Notes and Term Loan as of September 30, 2014, and our senior notes as of December 31, 2013:

	September 30, 2014	December 31, 2013
Long term debt	\$900.0	\$600.0
Approximate fair value of our long-term debt	907.7	615.0

The fair value of our Senior Notes was determined based on quoted market prices at September 30, 2014 and December 31, 2013, respectively, and therefore would be classified within Level 1 of the fair value hierarchy. The fair value of our Term Loan at September 30, 2014 was determined based on a discounted cash flow analysis, and would therefore be classified within Level 2 of the fair value hierarchy.

The following table presents the changes in the fair value of our Level 3 auction rate securities for the nine months ended September 30, 2014.

Balance as of January 1, 2014	\$31.8
Realized gains (losses) in earnings	—
Unrealized gains (losses) in other comprehensive income	0.5
Purchases, sales and redemptions	—
Net transfers in or (out) of Level 3	—
Balance as of September 30, 2014	\$32.3



## 10. INCOME TAXES

Our effective income tax rate for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2014 was 68.7% and 54.8%, respectively, compared to 40.1% and 36.0% for the corresponding periods in 2013. The higher 2014 effective rates reflect the impact of the non-deductible ACA industry fee, partially offset by the favorable impact of the Windsor bargain purchase gain. The effective tax rate was also lower in 2013 due to an issue resolution agreement reached with the IRS regarding the tax treatment of the investigation-related litigation and other resolution costs, resulting in approximately \$7.6 million in additional tax benefit over what was recorded in prior periods.

In September 2014, the IRS issued final regulations on the ACA's \$0.5 million limit on the deduction for compensation for health insurance providers under Code section 162(m)(6). As a result, we no longer believe the deduction limitations apply to WellCare, and we reversed \$9.3 million of previously recorded tax expense from prior periods during the three months ended September 30, 2014. However, we are not able to conclude at this time that our tax position is more likely than not to be sustained upon IRS CAP review. Therefore, we recognized a liability for unrecognized tax benefits amounting to \$9.3 million at September 30, 2014. The unrecognized tax benefit, if recognized, would reduce the effective tax rate.

## 11. COMMITMENTS AND CONTINGENCIES

### Government Investigations

Under the terms of settlement agreements entered into on April 26, 2011, and finalized on March 23, 2012, to resolve matters under investigation by the Civil Division of the U.S. Department of Justice ("Civil Division") and certain other federal and state enforcement agencies (the "Settlement"), we agreed to pay the Civil Division a total of \$137.5 million in four annual installments of \$34.4 million over 36 months, plus interest accrued at 3.125%. The estimated fair value of the discounted remaining liability, and related interest, was \$34.9 million at September 30, 2014, all of which has been included in the current amounts payable related to the investigation resolution in the accompanying condensed consolidated balance sheet as of September 30, 2014.

The Settlement also provides for a contingent payment of an additional \$35.0 million in the event that we are acquired or otherwise experience a change in control on or before April 30, 2015, provided that the change in control transaction exceeds certain minimum transaction value thresholds as specified in the Settlement.

### Securities Class Action Complaint

In December 2010, we entered into a Stipulation and Agreement of Settlement (the "Stipulation Agreement") with the lead plaintiffs in the consolidated securities class action Eastwood Enterprises, L.L.C. v. Farha, et al., Case No. 8:07-cv-1940-VMC-EAJ. The Stipulation Agreement requires us to pay to the class 25% of any sums we recover from Todd Farha, Paul Behrens and/or Thaddeus Bereday related to the same facts and circumstances that gave rise to the consolidated securities class action. Messrs. Farha, Behrens and Bereday are three former executives that were implicated in the government investigations of the Company that commenced in 2007.

### Corporate Integrity Agreement

We operate under a Corporate Integrity Agreement (the "Corporate Integrity Agreement") with the Office of Inspector General of the United States Department of Health and Human Services ("OIG-HHS"). The Corporate Integrity Agreement has a term of five years from its effective date of April 26, 2011 and mandates various ethics and compliance programs designed to help ensure our ongoing compliance with federal health care program requirements.

The terms of the Corporate Integrity Agreement include certain organizational structure requirements, internal monitoring requirements, compliance training, screening processes for employees, reporting requirements to OIG-HHS, and the engagement of an independent review organization to review and prepare written reports regarding, among other things, our reporting practices and bid submissions to federal health care programs. If we do not comply with the terms of the Corporate Integrity Agreement, we may be subject to penalties or exclusion from participation in federal health care programs.

## Indemnification Obligations

Under Delaware law, our charter and bylaws and certain indemnification agreements to which we are a party, we are obligated to indemnify, or we have otherwise agreed to indemnify, certain of our current and former directors, officers and associates with respect to current and future investigations and litigation, including the matters discussed in this footnote. The indemnification agreements for our directors and executive officers with respect to events occurring prior to May 2009 require us to indemnify an indemnitee to the fullest extent permitted by law if the indemnitee was or is or becomes a party to or witness or other participant in any proceeding by reason of any event or occurrence related to the indemnitee's status as a director, officer, employee, agent or fiduciary of the Company or any of our subsidiaries and all expenses, including attorney's fees, judgments, fines, settlement amounts and interest and other charges, and any taxes as a result of the receipt of payments under the indemnification agreement. We will not indemnify the indemnitee if not permitted under applicable law. We are required to advance all expenses incurred by the indemnitee. We are entitled to reimbursement by an indemnitee of expenses advanced if the indemnitee is not permitted to be reimbursed under applicable law after a final judicial determination is made and all rights of appeal have been exhausted or lapsed.

We amended and restated our indemnification agreements in May 2009. The revised agreements apply to our officers and directors with respect to events occurring after that time. Pursuant to the 2009 indemnification agreements, we will indemnify the indemnitee against all expenses, including attorney's fees, judgments, penalties, fines, settlement amounts and any taxes imposed as a result of payments made under the indemnification agreement incurred in connection with any proceedings that relate to the indemnitee's status as a director, officer or employee of the Company or any of our subsidiaries or any other enterprise that the indemnitee was serving at our request. We will also indemnify for expenses incurred by the indemnitee if an indemnitee, by reason of his or her corporate status, is a witness in any proceeding. Further, we are required to indemnify for expenses incurred by an indemnitee in defense of a proceeding to the extent the indemnitee has been successful on the merits or otherwise. Finally, if the indemnitee is involved in certain proceedings as a result of the indemnitee's corporate status, we are required to advance the indemnitee's reasonable expenses incurred in connection with such proceeding, subject to the requirement that the indemnitee repay the expenses if it is ultimately determined that the indemnitee is not entitled to be indemnified. We are not obligated to indemnify an indemnitee for losses incurred in connection with any proceeding if a determination has not been made by the Board of Directors, a committee of disinterested directors or independent legal counsel in the specific case that the indemnitee has satisfied any standards of conduct required as a condition to indemnification under Section 145 of the Delaware General Corporation Law.

Pursuant to our obligations, we have advanced, and will continue to advance, legal fees and related expenses to three former officers and two former associates who were criminally indicted in connection with the government investigations of the Company that commenced in 2007 related to federal criminal health care fraud charges including conspiracy to defraud the United States, false statements relating to health care matters, and health care fraud in connection with their defense of criminal charges. In June 2013, the jury in the criminal trial reached guilty verdicts on multiple charges for the four individuals that were tried in 2013. In May 2014, the individuals were sentenced and our request for restitution was denied. All four individuals have filed notices of appeal and the government has filed notices of cross appeal. The fifth individual is expected to be tried in 2015.

We have also previously advanced legal fees and related expenses to these five individuals regarding disputes in Delaware Chancery Court related to whether we were legally obligated to advance fees or indemnify certain of these executives; the class actions titled *Eastwood Enterprises, L.L.C. v. Farha, et al.* and *Hutton v. WellCare Health Plans, Inc. et al.* filed in federal court; six stockholder derivative actions filed in federal and state courts between October 2007 and January 2008; an investigation by the United States Securities & Exchange Commission (the "Commission"); and an action by the Commission filed in January 2012 against Messrs. Farha, Behrens and Bereday. The Delaware Chancery Court cases have concluded. We settled the class actions in May 2011. In 2010, we settled the

stockholder derivative actions and we were realigned as the plaintiff to pursue our claims against Messrs. Farha, Behrens and Bereday. These actions, as well as the action by the Commission are currently stayed.

In connection with these matters, we have advanced, to the five individuals, cumulative legal fees and related expenses of approximately \$179.4 million from the inception of the investigations to September 30, 2014. We incurred \$8.6 million and \$23.5 million of these legal fees and related expenses during the three and nine months ended September 30, 2014, respectively, and \$5.7 million and \$39.1 million for the same periods in 2013. We expense these costs as incurred and classify the costs as selling, general and administrative expense incurred in connection with the investigations and related matters.

We expect the continuing cost of our obligations to the five individuals in connection with their defense and appeal of criminal charges and related litigation to be significant and to continue for a number of years. We have exhausted our insurance policies related to reimbursement of our advancement of fees related to these matters. We are unable to estimate the total amount of these costs or a range of possible loss. Accordingly, we continue to expense these costs as incurred. Even if it is

eventually determined that we are entitled to reimbursement of the advanced expenses, it is possible that we may not be able to recover all or any portion of our damages or advances. Our indemnification obligations and requirements to advance legal fees and expenses may continue to have a material adverse effect on our financial condition, results of operations and cash flows.

#### Other Lawsuits and Claims

Based on the nature of our business, we are subject to regulatory reviews or other investigations by various state insurance and health care regulatory authorities and other state and federal regulatory authorities. These authorities regularly scrutinize the business practices of health insurance and benefits companies and their reviews focus on numerous facets of our business, including claims payment practices, provider contracting, competitive practices, commission payments, privacy issues and utilization management practices, among others. Some of these reviews have historically resulted in fines imposed on us and some have required changes to our business practices. We continue to be subject to such reviews, which may result in additional fines and/or sanctions being imposed, premium refunds or additional changes in our business practices.

Separate and apart from the legal matters described above, we are also involved in other legal actions in the normal course of our business, including, without limitation, wage and hour claims and other employment claims and provider disputes regarding payment of claims. Some of these actions seek monetary damages including claims for liquidated or punitive damages, which are not covered by insurance. We review relevant information with respect to litigation matters and we update our estimates of reasonably possible losses and related disclosures. We accrue an estimate for contingent liabilities, including attorney's fees related to these matters, if a loss is probable and estimable. Currently, we do not expect that the resolution of any currently pending actions, either individually or in the aggregate, will differ materially from our current estimates or have a material adverse effect on our results of operations, financial condition and cash flows. However, the outcome of any legal actions cannot be predicted, and therefore, actual results may differ from those estimates.

#### Item 2. Management's Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations.

##### Forward-Looking Statements

Statements contained in this Form 10-Q for the quarterly period ended September 30, 2014 ("2014 Form 10-Q") which are not historical fact may be forward-looking statements within the meaning of the Private Securities Litigation Reform Act of 1995 and Section 21E of the Exchange Act, and we intend such statements to be covered by the safe harbor provisions for forward-looking statements contained therein. Such statements, which may address, among other things, our financial outlook, the reimbursement of the Affordable Care Act ("ACA") industry fee by state Medicaid programs, the timing of the launch of new programs, rate changes, market acceptance of our products and services, our ability to finance growth opportunities, our ability to respond to changes in laws and government regulations, implementation of our growth strategies, projected capital expenditures, liquidity and the availability of additional funding sources may be found in the sections of this 2014 Form 10-Q entitled "Management's Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations" and elsewhere in this report generally. In some cases, you can identify forward-looking statements by terminology such as "may," "will," "should," "expects," "plans," "anticipates," "believes," "estimates," "targets," "predicts," "potential," "continues" or the negative of such terms or other comparable terminology. You are cautioned that forward-looking statements involve risks and uncertainties, including economic, regulatory, competitive and other factors that may affect our business. Please refer to the Risk Factors in Part I, Item 1A of our Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2013 ("2013 Form 10-K"), and in Part II, Item 1A of this 2014 Form 10-Q for a discussion of certain risks which could materially affect our business, financial condition, cash flows, results of operations and stock price. These forward-looking statements are inherently susceptible to uncertainty and changes in circumstances, as they are based on management's

expectations and beliefs about future events and circumstances. Given the risks and uncertainties inherent in forward-looking statements, any of WellCare's forward-looking statements could be incorrect and investors are cautioned not to place undue reliance on any of our forward-looking statements. Subsequent events and developments may cause actual results to differ, perhaps materially, from WellCare's forward-looking statements. We undertake no obligation beyond that required by law to update publicly any forward-looking statements for any reason, even if new information becomes available or other events occur in the future.

Our actual results may differ materially from those indicated by forward-looking statements as a result of various important factors including the expiration, cancellation, suspension or amendment of our state and federal contracts. In addition, our results of operations and estimates of future earnings depend, in large part, on accurately estimating and effectively managing health benefits and other operating expenses. A variety of factors, including competition, changes in health care practices, changes in the demographics of our members, higher than expected utilization of health care services by our members, changes in federal or state laws and regulations or their interpretations, inflation, provider contract changes, changes in or suspensions or terminations of our contracts with government agencies, new technologies, such as new, expensive hepatitis C medications, potential reductions in Medicaid and Medicare revenue, including due to sequestration, our ability to negotiate with our state Medicaid customers regarding reimbursement of the ACA industry fee, government-imposed surcharges, taxes or assessments, changes to how provider payments are made by governmental payors, the ability of state customers to launch new programs on their announced timeline, major epidemics, disasters and numerous other factors affecting the delivery and cost of health care, such as major health care providers' inability to maintain their operations and our ability to implement medical expense initiatives may affect our premium revenue, ability to control our medical costs and other operating expenses. Governmental action or inaction could result in premium revenues not increasing to offset any increase in medical costs, the ACA industry fee or other operating expenses. Once set, premiums are generally fixed for one-year periods and, accordingly, unanticipated costs during such periods generally cannot be recovered through higher premiums. Furthermore, if we are unable to estimate accurately incurred but not reported medical costs in the current period, our future profitability may be affected. Due to these factors and risks, we cannot provide any assurance regarding our future premium levels or our ability to control our future medical costs.

In addition, the risks and uncertainties include, but are not limited to, our progress on top priorities such as improving health care quality and access, ensuring a competitive cost position, delivering prudent, profitable growth, and achieving service excellence, our ability to effectively estimate and manage growth, our ability to address operational challenges relating to new business, our ability to effectively execute and integrate acquisitions and the performance of our acquisitions once acquired. Due to these factors and risks, we may be required to write down or take further impairment charges of assets associated with acquisitions. Furthermore, at both the federal and state government levels, legislative and regulatory proposals have been made related to, or potentially affecting, the health care industry, including, but not limited to, limitations on managed care organizations, including changes to membership eligibility, benefit mandates, and reform of the Medicaid and Medicare programs. Any such legislative or regulatory action, including benefit mandates or reform of the Medicaid and Medicare programs, could have the effect of reducing the premiums paid to us by governmental programs, increasing our medical and administrative costs or requiring us to materially alter the manner in which we operate. We are unable to predict



the specific content of any future legislation, action or regulation that may be enacted or when any such future legislation or regulation will be adopted. Therefore, we cannot predict accurately the effect or ramifications of such future legislation, action or regulation on our business. We also may be unable to comply with the terms of our Corporate Integrity Agreement, which could result in monetary penalties or exclusion from participating in federal health care programs.

## OVERVIEW

### Introduction

We are a leading managed care company for government-sponsored health care coverage with a focus on Medicaid and Medicare programs. Headquartered in Tampa, Florida, we offer a variety of managed care health plans for families, individuals, children, and the aged, blind and disabled, as well as prescription drug plans. As of September 30, 2014, we served approximately 4.0 million members in 49 states and the District of Columbia. We believe that our broad range of experience and government focus allows us to effectively serve our members, partner with our providers and government clients, and efficiently manage our ongoing operations.

### Summary of Consolidated Financial Results

Summarized below are the key highlights for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2014. For additional information, refer to the "Results of Operations" section which discusses both consolidated and segment results in more detail.

Membership at September 30, 2014 increased by 1.2 million, or 42% and 43% , compared to December 31, 2013 and September 30, 2013, respectively, mainly driven by organic membership growth across all of our segments, primarily in our Medicare PDPs and Medicaid segments, and also from the acquisition of Windsor Health Group, Inc. ("Windsor"), which was completed on January 1, 2014. The Windsor acquisition accounted for increases of 82,000 and 105,000, in our Medicare and PDP segments, respectively. Excluding Windsor, membership at September 30, 2014 increased 36% year over year and 35% compared to December 31, 2013.

Premiums increased 36% and 34% respectively for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2014, driven mainly by the increases in membership discussed above. The Windsor acquisition accounted for combined increases in Medicare and PDP segment revenue of \$148.8 million and \$477.3 million for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2014, respectively. Additionally, the increase was also driven by the favorable net impact of ACA industry fee reimbursement from our Medicaid state customers, Medicaid membership mix changes, partially offset by rate decreases in our Medicare segment and a lower rate in our PDP segment, consistent with our 2014 bids.

Net Income for the three months ended September 30, 2014 declined 70% compared to the same period in 2013, resulting primarily from an increase in the medical benefit ratios for all three of our segments, the unreimbursed portion of the ACA industry fee, a \$7.8 million decrease in the bargain purchase gain resulting from the Windsor acquisition, and higher interest expense. These factors were partially offset by higher revenues and lower administrative expenses as a percentage of total revenues. Results for the nine months ended September 30, 2014 declined 58% compared to the same period in 2013 due mainly to an increase in the medical benefit ratios for all three of our segments, the unreimbursed portion of the ACA industry fee, the recognition of \$24.1 million in impairment and other charges, primarily related to Easy Choice Health Plan Inc. ("Easy Choice"), partially offset by \$31.6 million from the Windsor bargain purchase gain.

### Key Developments and Accomplishments

Presented below are key developments and accomplishments relating to progress on our strategic business priorities that have impacted, or are expected to impact, our 2014 results:

In February 2014, we executed a contract with the Florida Agency for Health Care Administration ("AHCA") to provide managed care services to Medicaid recipients in eight of the state's 11 regions as part of the state's Managed Medical Assistance ("MMA") program. The program commenced on May 1, 2014, with the implementation of three regions. Three additional regions were implemented in June, one in July and one in August. We are serving over 600,000 members in these regions as of September 30, 2014, compared to 394,000 members that we served in December 2013 under the prior Florida Medicaid program.

Effective January 1, 2014, we began offering Medicaid managed care in Essex, Hudson, Middlesex, Passaic and Union counties in New Jersey. In addition, effective July 1, 2014, our New Jersey subsidiary completed the acquisition of Medicaid assets from Healthfirst Health Plan of New Jersey, Inc. ("Healthfirst NJ"), which primarily relate to approximately 42,000 Healthfirst Medicaid members who were transferred to our Medicaid plan in New Jersey, as well as certain provider agreements. As a result, effective July 1, 2014, we offer Medicaid managed care in 10 counties in New Jersey.

In January 2014, we acquired all of the outstanding stock of Windsor from Munich Health North America, Inc., a part of Munich Re Group. Through its subsidiaries, Windsor serves Medicare beneficiaries with MA, PDP and Medicare Supplement products. As of September 30, 2014, Windsor offered MA plans to 37,000 members in 192 counties in the states of Arkansas, Mississippi, South Carolina and Tennessee. In addition, one of Windsor's subsidiaries offers Medicare Supplement insurance policies through which it serves approximately 45,000 members in 39 states as of September 30, 2014. Windsor also offers PDPs in 11 of the 34 CMS regions to 105,000 members as of September 30, 2014. As a result, in 2014, we are offering MA plans in a total of 402 counties in 18 states.

We have received amendments, written agreements or other documentation from all our state Medicaid customers, that commit them to reimburse us for the portion of the ACA industry fee attributable to the Medicaid programs in these states, including the related state and federal income tax gross-ups. Consequently, we recognized \$37.1 million and \$93.9 million of reimbursement for the ACA industry fee as premium revenue in the three and nine months ended September 30, 2014, respectively.

In the 2014 plan year, we offer MA plans in a total of 210 counties in 14 states, excluding Windsor. In most of these counties, we offer dual special needs plans ("D-SNPs") for those who are dually-eligible for Medicare and Medicaid.

In the 2015 plan year, we intend to offer MA plans in 376 counties in 15 states, including Windsor. We will no longer offer MA plans in the states of Arizona, Missouri and Ohio, which represent 23 counties and approximately 9,000 members as of September 30, 2014. In addition, this includes the departure from one county in Illinois and two counties in California in 2015.

Our 2015 PDP bids resulted in one of our basic plans being below the benchmarks in 13 of the 33 CMS regions for which we submitted bids, and within the de minimis range in nine other regions. For 2014, our basic plan is below the benchmarks in 30 regions, of the 33 regions bid, and within the de minimis range in two other regions.

In October 2014, WellCare received NCQA Quality Accreditation for its Medicaid and Medicare health plans in Georgia, Kentucky and Missouri. As of September 30, 2014, WellCare serves approximately 613,000 Medicaid and PeachCare for Kids® plan members, 30,000 Medicare Advantage plan members and 55,000 Medicare Prescription Drug Plan members in Georgia; approximately 408,000 Medicaid members, 5,000 Medicare Advantage plan members and 20,000 Medicare Prescription Drug Plan members in Kentucky; and approximately 101,000 MO Healthnet Managed Care members, 3,000 Medicare Advantage plan members and 28,000 Medicare Prescription Drug Plan members in Missouri.

The Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services ("CMS") recently announced 2015 Medicare Advantage and PDP quality ratings, known as star ratings, which reflected improvement for several of WellCare's plans. The star rating for our Florida plan, which serves approximately 27% of our September 2014 Medicare Advantage membership, maintained its rating of 3.5 stars for 2015. Our California plan, which serves approximately 17% of our September 2014 Medicare Advantage membership, improved its star rating from 3 to 3.5.

Political and Regulatory Developments

Political Developments Impacting our Business

On April 1, 2014, the President signed the Protecting Access to Medicare Act of 2014. This Act delayed until March 2015 the 24% reduction in Medicare payment rates that was supposed to take effect on April 1, 2014, as a result of the sustainable growth rate formula and replaced it with a 0.5% increase in payments through December 31, 2014. Unless further Congressional action is taken, the sustainable growth rate formula will reduce Medicare payment rates by 24% beginning April 1, 2015. The Act also delayed the implementation of the 10th revision of the International Statistical Classification of Diseases and Related Health Problems (ICD-10) prohibiting the Secretary of Health and Human Services from adopting the ICD-10 code sets prior to October 1, 2015.

## Medicaid Health Plans

A number of states are evaluating new strategies for their Medicaid programs. Given ongoing fiscal challenges, economic conditions, and the success of Medicaid managed care programs over the long run, states continue to recognize the value of collaborating with managed care plans to deliver quality, cost-effective health care solutions.

Of the states in which we currently operate Medicaid plans, in 2014 Hawaii, Illinois, Kentucky, New Jersey and New York expanded Medicaid eligibility under the ACA, while Florida, Georgia, Missouri and South Carolina have stated their intention not to move forward with an expansion in 2015. If any of these states ultimately implement the Medicaid expansion, and depending on the mechanism by which they choose to implement the expansion, our membership could increase or decrease. At this time, we are unable to predict the ultimate impact to our Medicaid membership.

In Kentucky, we have received approximately 104,000 new members through September 30, 2014 as a result of the expansion of Medicaid eligibility. In addition, for coverage beginning July 1, 2014, members are able to choose among five statewide plans, instead of the previous two; however, our members are not being passively reassigned. Medicare Health Plans

In April 2014, CMS stated that it would terminate those MA contracts that scored either a Part C or Part D star rating of less than three stars in each of the most recent three consecutive rating periods. Stand-alone PDP sponsor contracts would have been terminated if those contracts scored less than three stars in each of the most recent three consecutive rating periods. In September 2014, CMS announced that it would not terminate the MA and PDP contracts for plans rated below three stars for three consecutive years for the plan year 2015. However, CMS could still exercise its authority and terminate those plans for the plan year 2016. Our MA plans in Louisiana and our Windsor MA plans, representing approximately 45,000 members as of September 30, 2014, could be terminated effective December 31, 2015 if their Part C and Part D star ratings are not at least three stars for the plan year 2016.

On April 7, 2014, CMS revised their proposed 2015 rates, which we estimate will result in a rate decrease in the low single digit percentage compared with our 2014 rates.

In 2015, CMS will continue to tier payments based on the quality ratings of MA plans, paying less to plans scoring less than 5 stars on the CMS star quality rating scale. On average, our MA plans in 2013 were 3 stars. CMS has also confirmed the end of the quality bonus demonstration effective December 31, 2014. This means bonus payments to plans like WellCare, which achieve less than 4 stars on CMS's 5 star scale, will no longer be made beginning in 2015.

Beginning in 2014, the ACA requires the establishment of a minimum medical loss ratio ("MLR") for MA plans and Part D plans, requiring them to spend not less than 85% of premiums on medical benefits. The rules implementing the minimum MLR impose financial and other penalties for failing to achieve the minimum MLR, including requirements to refund to CMS shortfalls in amounts spent on medical benefits and termination of a plan's MA contract for prolonged failure to achieve the minimum MLR. MLR is determined by adding a plan's total reimbursement for clinical services plus its total spending on quality improvement activities and dividing the total by earned premiums (after subtracting specific identified taxes and other fees). We do not expect these provisions to have a material impact to our results of operations in 2014.

## PDP

In April 2014, CMS also announced changes for PDPs relating to applicable beneficiary and plan dispensing/vaccine administration fees for drug claims that straddle the coverage gap for the 2015 plan year. In addition, CMS increased

the Part D deductible, the initial coverage limit, and the out-of-pocket threshold for the catastrophic benefit. We are still evaluating the effect these changes will have on our 2015 PDP operations.

#### Dual Eligibles

Individuals qualifying for both Medicare and Medicaid are referred to as "dual-eligibles". For dual-eligibles, if a service is covered by Medicare and Medicaid, Medicare is the primary payer. The ACA created a federal Medicare-Medicaid Coordination Office to serve dual eligibles. This Medicare-Medicaid Coordination Office has initiated a series of state Duals Demonstration Programs intended to provide better coordination and integration of care between Medicare and Medicaid on a capitated or fee for service basis. Each state demonstration is required to produce cost savings.

Thirteen states have been selected by CMS to implement a capitated Duals Demonstration Program; an additional four are implementing a Duals Demonstration Program on a fee-for-service basis and one state is doing both. Of the states that have signed agreements with CMS to implement a capitated Duals Demonstration Program, we operate D-SNPs in eight.

We have received preliminary approval to participate in the Duals Demonstration Programs in New York beginning January 1, 2015. Other states in which we operate, including Florida and Tennessee, are working toward greater integration of their Medicare and Medicaid programs outside of a demonstration program.

For those states in which we offer a D-SNP that have a Duals Demonstration Program in which we do not participate, the membership in our MA or PDPs could be reduced, depending on the program design, eligible populations and state implementation time frame.

Per CMS guidance, Part D auto assignments to another PDP will be limited to January 1, 2014, and January 1, 2015, for 2013 and 2014 demonstration states, respectively.

#### Health Insurance Exchanges

We plan to participate in the health insurance exchanges in 2015 in Kentucky and New York.

## RESULTS OF OPERATIONS

### Consolidated Financial Results

The following tables set forth condensed consolidated statements of operations data, as well as other key data used in our results of operations discussion for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2014 compared to the same periods in 2013. These historical results are not necessarily indicative of results to be expected for any future period.

	For the Three Months Ended September 30,		Change Percentage	For the Nine Months Ended September 30,		Change Percentage		
	2014	2013		2014	2013			
(Dollars in millions)								
Revenues:								
Premium	\$3,396.3	\$2,495.6	36.1	%	\$9,511.0	\$7,075.3	34.4	%
Investment and other income	11.2	4.8	133.3	%	34.1	13.9	145.3	%
Total revenues	3,407.5	2,500.4	36.3	%	9,545.1	7,089.2	34.6	%
Expenses:								
Medical benefits	2,996.6	2,144.7	39.7	%	8,460.8	6,147.9	37.6	%
Selling, general and administrative	261.5	218.8	19.5	%	735.7	637.6	15.4	%
ACA industry fee	34.7	—	NMF		103.3	—	NMF	
Medicaid premium taxes	21.3	17.0	25.3	%	57.0	59.2	(3.7)	)%
Depreciation and amortization	14.4	11.0	30.9	%	44.0	31.8	38.4	%
Interest	9.5	2.1	352.4	%	28.0	5.9	374.6	%
Impairment and other charges	—	—	—	%	24.1	—	NMF	
Total expenses	3,338.0	2,393.6	39.5	%	9,452.9	6,882.4	37.3	%
Income from operations	69.5	106.8	(34.9)	)%	92.2	206.8	(55.4)	)%
Bargain purchase gain	(7.8	)	—	NMF	31.6	—	NMF	
Income before income taxes	61.7	106.8	(42.2)	)%	123.8	206.8	(40.1)	)%
Income tax expense	42.4	42.8	(0.9)	)%	67.9	74.4	(8.7)	)%

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Net income	\$19.3	\$64.0	(69.8	)%	\$55.9	\$132.4	(57.8	)%
Effective tax rate	68.7	% 40.1	% 28.6	% 54.8	% 36.0	% 18.8	%	

NMF - Not meaningful

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## Membership

Segment	September 30, 2014		December 31, 2013		September 30, 2013	
	Membership	Percentage of Total	Membership	Percentage of Total	Membership	Percentage of Total
Medicaid Health Plans	2,252,000	55.8 %	1,759,000	61.8 %	1,757,000	62.1 %
Medicare Health Plans	416,000	10.3 %	290,000	10.2 %	283,000	10.0 %
Medicare PDPs	1,369,000	33.9 %	797,000	28.0 %	784,000	27.8 %
Total	4,037,000	100.0 %	2,846,000	100.0 %	2,824,000	99.9 %

As of September 30, 2014, we served approximately 4,037,000 members, an increase of approximately 1,191,000 members, or 42%, compared to December 31, 2013, and an increase of approximately 1,213,000 members, or 43%, compared to September 30, 2013. The growth in 2014 was mainly driven by organic membership growth across all of our segments, primarily in our Medicaid and Medicare PDPs segments, and the Windsor acquisition. Membership discussion by segment follows:

**Medicaid Health Plans.** Medicaid Health Plans segment membership increased by 495,000, or 28% year over year, to 2.3 million members as of September 30, 2014. The increase resulted mainly from organic growth in the Florida, Kentucky, and Georgia programs. Florida membership increased mainly due to our participation in the MMA program, which commenced implementation on May 1, 2014, while Kentucky membership increased mainly due to Kentucky's participation in the 2014 Medicaid expansion. Additionally, 42,000 members were transferred to our Medicaid plan in New Jersey as a result of the Healthfirst acquisition.

**Medicare Health Plans.** Segment membership as of September 30, 2014 increased by 133,000 year over year, or 47%, to 416,000 members. MA plans membership as of September 30, 2014 was 371,000, an increase of 88,000 members, or 31%. Membership increased primarily from the Windsor acquisition, which contributed approximately 37,000 MA and 45,000 Medicare Supplement program members as of September 30, 2014, as well as an increase resulting from the 2014 annual election period due to our continued focus on dual-eligible beneficiaries and expansion into new counties.

**Medicare PDPs.** Membership as of September 30, 2014 increased 585,000 year over year, or 75%, to 1.4 million members. The increase primarily was due to the outcome of the 2014 bids, as well as the inclusion of membership from the Windsor acquisition, which accounted for 105,000 of the increase.

## Net Income

For the three months ended September 30, 2014, net income decreased \$44.7 million, or 70%, compared to the same period in 2013. The decline is mainly attributable to higher medical benefits ratios in all of our segments, the unreimbursed portion of ACA industry fees imposed on the health insurers effective January 1, 2014, a reduction to the bargain purchase gain related to the Windsor acquisition, and higher interest expense. These factors were partially offset by an increase in premiums stemming from organic membership growth and acquisitions, and lower administrative expenses as a percentage of total revenues.

For the nine months ended September 30, 2014, net income decreased \$76.5 million, or 58%, compared to the prior year mainly due to higher medical benefits ratios in all of our segments, including the recognition of higher unfavorable prior period reserve development that mainly impacted our Medicaid segment, the unreimbursed portion

of ACA industry fees, as well as the recognition of \$24.1 million in impairment and other charges, which mainly related to the partial impairment of certain intangible assets recorded in the 2012 acquisition of Easy Choice Health Plan, Inc. ("Easy Choice"). These decreases were partially offset by the increase in premiums from organic membership growth and acquisitions, lower administrative expenses as a percentage of total revenues and the Windsor bargain purchase gain, which amounts to \$31.6 million for the nine months ended September 30, 2014.

#### Outlook

We expect our net income for the year ended December 31, 2014 to be substantially lower than net income in the prior year due mainly to increases in the 2014 medical benefits ratios for all of our segments and impairment and other charges, partially offset by the Windsor bargain purchase gain. In addition, we are expecting additional selling, general and administrative ("SG&A") expense due to greater membership, growth initiatives, and quality, service and productivity infrastructure investments, partially offset by productivity gains. Our results will also be impacted by the unreimbursed portion of the new ACA industry fee expense and increased

interest expense due to the issuance of \$600.0 million in senior notes in November 2013 and a \$300.0 million term loan in September 2014.

#### Premium Revenue

Premium revenue increased by approximately \$900.7 million for the three months ended September 30, 2014, or 36%, compared to the same period in 2013. The increase mainly reflects the impact of organic membership growth across all of our segments and the Windsor acquisition. The Windsor acquisition accounted for combined increases in Medicare and PDP segment revenue of \$148.8 million for the three months ended September 30, 2014. Additionally, the increases were due to the impact of ACA industry fee reimbursement from our Medicaid state customers, as well as the favorable net impact of Medicaid membership mix changes, partially offset by rate decreases in our Medicare segment and a lower rate in our PDP segment, consistent with our 2014 bids.

Premium revenue increased \$2.4 billion for the nine months ended September 30, 2014, or 34% compared to the same period in 2013, due mainly to the impact of organic membership growth and the Windsor acquisition, which accounted for combined increases in Medicare and PDP segment revenue of \$477.3 million for the nine months ended September 30, 2014. In addition to the factors impacting the increase for the three-month period, the increase for the nine-month period is also due to the benefit of a full nine months of premiums for our South Carolina and Missouri Medicaid plans that were acquired in the first quarter of 2013.

#### Outlook

We now expect our consolidated premium revenue, not including premium taxes or Medicaid state ACA industry fee reimbursement, in 2014 to be between \$12.7 and \$12.8 billion. The Company previously anticipated premium revenue to be between \$12.3 and \$12.4 billion. The increase results mainly from increased growth outlooks for all of our segments.

#### Medical Benefits Expense

Medical benefits expense increased 40% and 38% for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2014, respectively, due primarily to increased membership across all our segments, and higher current period medical and pharmacy costs, including higher medical costs associated with the Florida MMA program, which is currently operating at an MBR that is higher than our 2013 performance in the state. For the three months ended September 30, 2014, prior period reserve development amounted to a favorable \$16.6 million, mainly associated with the Medicaid segment, compared to unfavorable development of \$47.5 million for the same period in 2013. For the nine months ended September 30, 2014, prior period reserve development amounted to an unfavorable \$46.2 million, mainly related to the Medicaid and Medicare Health Plans segments, compared to an unfavorable amount of \$7.1 million for the 2013 period.

Favorable prior period reserve development for the three months ended September 30, 2014 includes approximately \$15.4 million of favorable development related to prior fiscal years, as well as \$1.2 million of favorable development related to the first and second quarters of 2014. Unfavorable development for the three months ended September 30, 2013 included approximately \$16.3 million of unfavorable development related to prior fiscal years and \$31.2 million of unfavorable development related to the first half of 2013. The favorable development recognized in the three months ended September 30, 2014 was due mainly to lower than projected medical costs, mainly in our Medicaid Health Plans segment. Unfavorable development for the nine months ended September 30, 2014 mainly related to the Medicaid Health Plans and Medicare Health Plans segments.

#### Selling, General and Administrative Expense

SG&A expense includes aggregate costs related to the resolution of the previously disclosed governmental investigations and related litigation, such as settlement accruals and related fair value accretion, legal fees and other similar costs. Refer to Note 11 within the condensed consolidated Financial Statements for additional discussion of investigation-related litigation and other resolution costs. We believe it is appropriate to evaluate SG&A expense exclusive of these investigation-related litigation and other resolution costs because we do not consider them to be indicative of long-term business operations.

The reconciliation of SG&A expense, including and excluding such costs, is as follows:

	For the Three Months Ended September 30,		For the Nine Months Ended September 30,	
	2014	2013	2014	2013
SG&A expense	\$261.5	\$218.8	\$735.7	\$637.6
Adjustments:				
Investigation-related litigation and other resolution costs	(0.3 )	(0.5 )	(1.1 )	(1.9 )
Investigation-related administrative costs	(10.4 )	(6.8 )	(28.2 )	(46.6 )
Total investigation-related litigation and other resolution costs	(10.7 )	(7.3 )	(29.3 )	(48.5 )
SG&A expense, excluding investigation-related litigation and other resolution costs	\$250.8	\$211.5	\$706.4	\$589.1
SG&A ratio <sup>(1)</sup>	7.7	% 8.8	% 7.7	% 9.0
Adjusted SG&A ratio <sup>(2)</sup>	7.5	% 8.5	% 7.5	% 8.4

(1) SG&A expense, as a percentage of total premium revenue.

(2) SG&A expense, as a percentage of total premium revenue, excluding premium taxes, Medicaid state ACA industry fee reimbursements and investigation-related litigation and other resolution costs.

Excluding total investigation-related litigation and other resolution costs, our SG&A expense for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2014 increased approximately \$39.3 million, or 19%, and \$117.3 million, or 20%, respectively, compared to the same periods in 2013. SG&A expense increased mainly due to the growth in membership, investments in technology and infrastructure, including costs necessary to meet regulatory changes, investments related to our medical cost initiatives, increased spending related to the integration of recent acquisitions and our other growth and service initiatives. These cost increases were partially offset by improvements in operating efficiency. Our SG&A ratio was 7.7% for both the three and nine month periods ended September 30, 2014 compared to 8.8% and 9.0% for the same periods in 2013. Our adjusted SG&A ratio, which is adjusted for premium taxes, Medicaid state ACA industry fee reimbursements and investigation-related litigation and other resolution costs, for both the three and nine months ended September 30, 2014 was 7.5%, compared to 8.5% and 8.4% for the three and nine months ended September 30 2013, respectively. The decrease in the 2014 ratio compared to 2013 resulted from improved operating leverage, productivity gains and lower compensation expense related to reduced management incentive compensation, offset in part by investments in operational infrastructure and growth initiatives.

## Outlook

We expect that our adjusted SG&A ratio for the full year 2014 will be between approximately 7.7% to 7.8%. The decrease compared to our prior expectation is a result of improved operating leverage and productivity gains, due to the increased premium growth, our information technology expenditures costing less than anticipated, delays in our ability to hire additional medical management personnel and a reduced compensation expense related to bonuses as a result of our lower than anticipated projected net income for the year ended December 31, 2014. Our organic growth, expenditures for the Florida MMA implementation, desired quality, service and productivity improvements and the Windsor integration are driving a need for certain investments and expenditures. We are also making investments to meet the needs of our state and federal customers resulting from implementation of the ACA.

## ACA Industry Fee

For the three and nine months ended September 30, 2014, we recorded \$34.7 million and \$103.3 million, respectively, of non-deductible expense for the ACA industry fee, based on our estimated share of total 2013 health insurance industry premiums. We were assessed \$137.7 million of non-deductible expense for the ACA industry fee expense for

the year ended December 31, 2014, and we paid the total \$137.7 million obligation for such fees to the Internal Revenue Services ("IRS") in September 2014. As discussed in Key Developments and Accomplishments, we currently have received amendments, written agreements or other documentation from all of our state Medicaid customers that commit them to reimburse us for substantially all of the impact of the ACA industry fee attributable to our Medicaid plans, including its non-deductibility for income tax purposes for 2014.

Outlook

Due to the increase in the total fee to be levied on the health insurance industry from \$8 billion in 2014 to \$11.3 billion in 2015, and the expected increase in our share of total industry premiums, we expect our assessment for the ACA industry fee in 2015 will increase between 65% to 75% compared to 2014.

#### Medicaid Premium Taxes

Medicaid premium taxes incurred for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2014 were \$21.3 million and \$57.0 million, respectively, compared to \$17.0 million and \$59.2 million for the same periods in 2013. As of September 30, 2014, our Medicaid contracts with Georgia, Hawaii, New Jersey and New York included tax assessments on Medicaid premiums.

#### Depreciation and Amortization

Depreciation and amortization expense for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2014 was \$14.4 million and \$44.0 million, respectively, compared to \$11.0 million and \$31.8 million for the corresponding periods in 2013. The increase in the 2014 periods compared to 2013 is due primarily to incremental amortization related to the intangible assets acquired in conjunction with the Windsor acquisition, which was completed on January 1, 2014, and the Healthfirst NJ acquisition completed on July 1, 2014. Additionally, amortization for the nine months ended September 30, 2014 was impacted by a full nine months' of amortization related to the Missouri Care and WellCare of South Carolina, Inc. ("WCSC") acquisitions, which were completed during the first quarter of 2013.

#### Interest Expense

Interest expense for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2014 was \$9.5 million and \$28.0 million, respectively, compared to \$2.1 million and \$5.9 million for the same periods in 2013. The increase in the 2014 periods compared to 2013 was primarily driven by higher average debt levels during 2014, as we issued \$600 million of 5.75% senior notes in November 2013.

#### Impairment and Other Charges

During the second quarter of 2014, we recognized approximately \$24.1 million in impairment and other charges, \$18.0 million of which primarily relates to the partial impairment of certain intangible assets recorded in the 2012 acquisition of Easy Choice. The impairment resulted primarily from estimated fair values of the intangible assets that were below the book values of such assets. The estimated fair values of these assets were determined based on an income valuation approach using assumptions appropriate for likely market participants. The estimated fair values reflect a significant decline in anticipated long-term profitability, mainly resulting from an inability to improve the medical cost structure to the degree that was previously estimated and the inability to achieve certain administrative cost savings, as a result of certain developments during the quarter. The remaining charges for the quarter also include a charge for the full impairment of intangible assets associated with the purchase of our Arizona MA plan after we concluded during the three months ended June 30, 2014, to exit the Arizona MA market in 2015, and charges resulting from the resolution of certain matters related to the purchase price of our 2013 acquisitions. We are no longer able to recognize such charges as adjustments to acquired assets, since we are beyond the measurement period established in the accounting rules for business combinations.

#### Bargain Purchase Gain

As a result of the Windsor acquisition, the estimated fair value of the net tangible and intangible assets that we acquired has exceeded the total consideration payable to the seller by approximately \$31.6 million as of September 30, 2014. After consideration of all relevant factors, we concluded that the excess fair value constituted a bargain

purchase gain in accordance with accounting rules related to business combinations. Approximately \$28.3 million of the gain was recorded during the first quarter of 2014. Subsequently, an \$11.1 million increase was recognized during the second quarter of 2014 reflecting refined estimates of the fair value of certain tax benefits acquired as part of the transaction, and a \$7.8 million decrease in the gain was recognized during the three months ended September 30, 2014 for additional changes in the estimate of tax benefits acquired, as well as estimated additional purchase price settlements with the seller. It is possible that further adjustments could be made to the gain depending on the resolution of certain matters related to the purchase price, but we are unable to estimate the impact at this time.



## Income Tax Expense

Our effective income tax rate on pre-tax income was 69% and 55% for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2014, respectively, compared to 40% and 36% for the corresponding periods in 2013. The higher 2014 effective rates reflect the impact of the non-deductible ACA industry fee, partially offset by the favorable impact of the Windsor bargain purchase gain. The effective tax rate was also lower in 2013 due to an issue resolution agreement reached with the IRS regarding the tax treatment of the investigation-related litigation and other resolution costs, resulting in approximately \$7.6 million in additional tax benefit over what was recorded as of December 31, 2012.

## Segment Reporting

Reportable operating segments are defined as components of an enterprise for which discrete financial information is available and evaluated on a regular basis by the enterprise's decision-makers to determine how resources should be allocated to an individual segment and to assess performance of those segments. Accordingly, we have three reportable segments: Medicaid Health Plans, Medicare Health Plans and Medicare PDPs.

## Segment Financial Performance Measures

In conjunction with the Windsor acquisition, we reassessed our segment reporting practices during the three months ended March 31, 2014, and made revisions to reflect our current method of managing performance and determining resource allocation, which includes reviewing the results of Medicare Supplement and Medicare Advantage operations acquired as part of the Windsor acquisition together with MA. Accordingly, we include results for Medicare Supplement operations together with MA and renamed the segment Medicare Health Plans. Similarly, we include the PDP operations acquired as part of the Windsor acquisition together with WellCare's PDPs and renamed the segment Medicare PDPs. No changes were made to the composition of our Medicaid segment, but we renamed the segment Medicaid Health Plans.

Our primary tools for measuring profitability of our reportable operating segments are premium revenue, gross margin and MBR. Beginning in 2014, the ACA imposes an annual premium-based health insurance industry fees on health insurers. Since the timing of revenue recognition for state Medicaid reimbursement of the ACA industry fee has been delayed and has not matched the expense recognition of the fee, and MA and PDP rates will not be adjusted for the ACA industry fee, we have determined to include the ACA industry fee expense in measuring the profitability of our reportable operating segments. Accordingly, gross margin has been redefined as premium revenue less medical benefits expense, less ACA industry fees. MBR measures the ratio of medical benefits expense to premium revenue excluding Medicaid premium taxes and Medicaid state ACA industry fee reimbursement.

We use gross margin and MBR both to monitor our management of medical benefits and medical benefits expense and to make various business decisions, including which health care plans to offer, which geographic areas to enter or exit and which health care providers to include in our networks. Although gross margin and MBR play an important role in our business strategy, we may be willing to enter new geographical markets and/or enter into provider arrangements that might produce a less favorable gross margin and MBR if those arrangements, such as capitation or risk sharing, would likely lower our exposure to variability in medical costs or for other reasons.

Changes in gross margin and MBR from period to period depend in large part on our ability to, among other things, effectively price our medical and prescription drug plans, estimate and manage medical costs and changes in estimates related to incurred but not reported claims ("IBNR"), estimate and effectively manage medical benefits expense relative to the primarily fixed premiums we receive, negotiate competitive rates with our health care providers, and attract and retain members. In addition, factors such as changes in health care laws, regulations and practices, changes in Medicaid and Medicare funding, changes in the mix of membership, escalating health care costs, competition,

levels of use of health care services, general economic conditions, major epidemics, terrorism or bio-terrorism, new medical technologies, including the new, expensive hepatitis C drugs, and other external factors may affect our operations and may have a material adverse impact on our business, financial condition and results of operations.

For further information regarding premium revenues and medical benefits expense, please refer below to "Premium Revenue Recognition and Premiums Receivable", and "Medical Benefits Expense and Medical Benefits Payable" under "Critical Accounting Estimates."

## Reconciling Segment Results

The following table reconciles our reportable segment results to income from operations, as reported in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America ("GAAP").

	For the Three Months Ended September 30,		Change Percentage	For the Nine Months Ended September 30,		Change Percentage				
	2014	2013		2014	2013					
	(Dollars in millions)									
Gross Margin										
Medicaid Health Plans	\$258.5	\$177.8	45.4	%	\$637.1	\$548.5	16.2	%		
Medicare Health Plans	82.8	121.6	(31.9)	)%	286.0	317.6	(9.9)	)%		
Medicare PDPs	23.7	51.5	(54.0)	)%	23.8	61.3	(61.2)	)%		
Total gross margin	365.0	350.9	4.0	%	946.9	927.4	2.1	%		
Investment and other income	11.2	4.8	133.3	%	34.1	13.9	145.3	%		
Other expenses	(306.7	) (248.9	)	23.2	%	(888.8	) (734.5	)	21.0	%
Income from operations	\$69.5	\$106.8	(34.9)	)%	\$92.2	\$206.8	(55.4)	)%		

## Medicaid Health Plans

Our Medicaid segment includes plans for beneficiaries of Temporary Assistance for Needy Families ("TANF"), Supplemental Security Income ("SSI"), Aged Blind and Disabled ("ABD") and other state-based programs that are not part of the Medicaid program, such as Children's Health Insurance Program ("CHIP"), Family Health Plus ("FHP") and Managed Long-Term Care ("MLTC") programs. As of September 30, 2014, we operated Medicaid health plans in Florida, Georgia, Hawaii, Illinois, Kentucky, Missouri, New Jersey, New York and South Carolina. We began serving South Carolina members on February 1, 2013, Missouri Care members on April 1, 2013 and New Jersey members on January 1, 2014. As of July 1, 2013, we no longer provided Medicaid services in Ohio.

## Impacting Our Results

Effective May 1, 2014, we began providing managed care services to Medicaid recipients in three regions as part of Florida's MMA program. Three additional regions were implemented in June, one in July and one in August, completing the implementation in all eight regions we serve. As of September 30, 2014, we were serving over 600,000 members in these regions, compared to the 394,000 members that we served in December 2013. Our anticipated Florida MMA premium is higher than our historical experience to compensate us for the enhanced benefits and services required in the MMA program, however, we have also incurred higher medical expense compared to our previous expectations, reflecting slower than anticipated medical expense improvement during the initial months of this program. Consistent with past implementation of new programs, we are pursuing improvements to care management and expect to pursue increased reimbursement in order to enhance the financial performance of the MMA program. Care management improvements include improving reimbursement terms and collaboration models in certain of our provider contracts, terminating certain providers when we could not achieve an appropriate cost structure or an agreement to collaborate, adding clinical resources into the local health plan, and embedding nurses in some high volume facilities.

- Effective January 1, 2014, our Kentucky program began serving new members associated with Kentucky's 2014 ACA Medicaid expansion. Such membership totaled 104,000 as of September 30, 2014.

Effective January 1, 2014, we began offering Medicaid managed care in Essex, Hudson, Middlesex, Passaic and Union counties in New Jersey. In addition, effective July 1, 2014, our New Jersey subsidiary completed the

acquisition of Medicaid assets from Healthfirst NJ, which primarily relate to the approximate 42,000 Healthfirst Medicaid members who were transferred to our Medicaid plan in New Jersey, as well as to certain provider agreements that transferred to us. As a result, effective July 1, 2014, we offer Medicaid managed care in 10 counties in New Jersey.

We have received amendments, written agreements or other documentation from all our state Medicaid customers, that commit them to reimburse us for the portion of the ACA industry fee attributable to the Medicaid programs in these states,

including the related state and federal income tax gross-ups. Consequently, we recognized approximately \$37.1 million and \$93.9 million reimbursement as premium revenue in the three and nine months ended September 30, 2014, respectively.

The following table sets forth the summarized results of operations and other relevant performance measures for our Medicaid segment for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2014 and 2013:

	For the Three Months Ended September 30, 2014		Percentage Change	For the Nine Months Ended September 30, 2014		Percentage Change	For the Three Months Ended September 30, 2013		Percentage Change
	2014	2013		2014	2013				
	(Dollars in millions)								
Premium revenue (1)	2,069.5	1,475.4	40.3	%	5,480.3	4,125.6	32.8	%	
Medicaid premium taxes (1)	21.3	17.0	25.3	%	57.0	59.2	(3.7)	%	
Medicaid state ACA industry fee reimbursement (1)	37.1	—	NMF		93.9	—	NMF		
Total premiums	2,127.9	1,492.4	42.6	%	5,631.2	4,184.8	34.6	%	
Medical benefits expense	1,849.0	1,314.6	40.7	%	4,933.5	3,636.3	35.7	%	
ACA industry fee	20.4	—	NMF		60.6	—	NMF		
Gross margin	258.5	177.8	45.4	%	637.1	548.5	16.2	%	
Medicaid MBR, including premium taxes and Medicaid state ACA industry fee reimbursements	86.9	% 88.1	% (1.2)	%	87.6	% 86.9	% 0.7	%	
Impact of:									
Medicaid premium taxes	0.9	% 1.0	%		0.9	% 1.2	%		
Medicaid state ACA industry fee reimbursement	1.5	% —			1.5	% —			
Medicaid MBR (1)	89.3	% 89.1	% 0.2	%	90.0	% 88.1	% 1.9	%	
Medicaid membership at end of period:									
Florida	703,000	474,000	48.3	%					
Georgia	613,000	552,000	11.1	%					
Kentucky	408,000	291,000	40.2	%					
Other states	528,000	440,000	20.0	%					
Total Medicaid membership	2,252,000	1,757,000	28.2	%					

NMF - Not meaningful

MBR measures the ratio of our medical benefits expense to premium revenue excluding reimbursement for Medicaid premium taxes and Medicaid state ACA industry fee reimbursement revenue. Because reimbursements for Medicaid premium tax and ACA industry fee impacts are both included in the premium rates or reimbursement (1) established in certain of our Medicaid contracts and also recognized separately as a component of expense, we exclude these reimbursements from premium revenue when calculating key ratios as we believe that their impact is not indicative of operating performance. For GAAP reporting purposes, Medicaid premium taxes and Medicaid state ACA industry fee reimbursements are included in premium revenue.

Excluding Medicaid premium taxes and Medicaid state ACA industry fee reimbursements, Medicaid premium revenue for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2014 increased 40% and 33%, respectively, when compared to the same periods in 2013. The increase in premium revenues for both periods was driven mainly by

increased membership in Florida due to organic growth and participation in the Florida MMA program, which commenced implementation on May 1, 2014, and in Kentucky, primarily from participation in the ACA Medicaid expansion and the additional members received following a competitor's exit from the Kentucky program on July 6, 2013. Also contributing to the increase was the net favorable impact of changes in the geographic and demographic mix of members, higher per member per month ("PMPM") rates related to the Florida MMA membership and growth in New Jersey resulting from expansion and the Healthfirst acquisition. The increase for the nine months ended September 30, 2014 also reflect the benefit of a full nine months' membership from the South Carolina and Missouri Care Medicaid acquisitions completed during the first quarter of 2013. These increases were partially offset by our exit from the Ohio Medicaid program effective July 1, 2013.

Medical benefits expense for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2014 increased by approximately 41% and 36%, respectively, when compared to the same periods in 2013, mainly driven by the increase in membership, higher current period medical and pharmacy costs, and higher medical costs associated with for the Florida MMA program, which is currently operating at an MBR that is higher than our 2013 performance in the state. The increase for the nine months ended September 30, 2014 also reflects recognition of unfavorable prior period reserve development and a full nine months' membership from the South Carolina and Missouri Medicaid acquisitions completed during the first quarter of 2013. Increases for the three months ended September 30, 2014 were partially offset by the recognition of favorable prior period reserve development in 2014 compared to unfavorable prior period reserve development in 2013. Our Medicaid Health Plan segment MBR, excluding the impact of premium taxes and ACA industry fee reimbursement, increased by 20 basis points and 190 basis points for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2014, respectively, compared to the same periods in 2013, due to the impact of higher current period medical and pharmacy costs and higher cost associated with Florida MMA program. Pharmacy costs include increased spending on hepatitis C drugs as a result of the new, expensive drugs that recently came to market as well as other pharmacy cost increases. Partially offsetting the increases in the MBR for the three months ended September 30, 2014 was the favorable prior period reserve development recognized in 2014 compared to the unfavorable prior period reserve development in 2013. The increase in year-to-date MBR was due in part to unfavorable prior period reserve development.

#### Outlook

We expect the Medicaid Health Plans segment MBR in 2014 to be in the range of approximately 90.00% to 90.50%, compared to 88.2% percent in 2013. The expected increase in MBR in 2014 is principally due to unfavorable prior period reserve development recognized in the first nine months of 2014 and the implementation of the Florida MMA program, which is currently operating at an MBR that is higher than our 2013 performance in the state.

#### Medicare Health Plans

We contract with CMS under the Medicare program to provide a comprehensive array of Part C and Part D benefits to Medicare eligible persons, provided through our MA plans. Our MA plans are comprised of coordinated care plans ("CCPs"), which are administered through HMOs and generally require members to seek health care services and select a primary care physician from a network of health care providers. In addition, we offer Medicare Part D coverage, which provides prescription drug benefits, as a component of most of our MA plans. As of September 30, 2014, we operated our MA CCPs in Arkansas, Arizona, California, Connecticut, Florida, Georgia, Hawaii, Illinois, Kentucky, Louisiana, Mississippi, Missouri, New Jersey, New York, Ohio, South Carolina, Tennessee and Texas. We also offer Medicare Supplement policies in 39 states.

#### Impacting Our Results

- Our MA business is being subjected to substantial margin compression in 2014. As a result of legislation passed in December 2013, the 2% Federal budget sequestration reduction to Medicare provider and plan payments is continuing in 2014 and will extend through 2023, and our results of operations are being and will continue to be negatively impacted. In addition, CMS implemented revised 2014 benchmark rates, which resulted in a rate decrease of approximately 2.0% to 4.0% from 2013 rates. CMS also made changes to the MA and PDP Medicare risk adjustment system involving a risk coding recalibration, which is being phased in over the 2014 and 2015 plan years. Also, CMS implemented an MA coding intensity reduction of 4.91% for payment year 2014. This new risk adjustment model included an adjustment to the calculation of health status cost risk based on each beneficiary's diagnosis codes that will reduce the positive adjustments for high-risk patients and increase the negative adjustments for low-risk patients. The change appears to most severely

affect our rates for those individuals with complex medical conditions, including many of our dual-eligible and lower income members. Our MA premium rates have not been adjusted to specifically offset the impact of the ACA industry fee.

For the 2014 plan year, we offer MA plans in a total of 210 counties in 14 states, excluding Windsor. We offer D-SNPs for those who are dually eligible for Medicare and Medicaid in most of the MA markets we serve.

As a result of the Windsor acquisition, we serve approximately 37,000 MA members in 192 counties in the states of Arkansas, Mississippi, South Carolina and Tennessee as of September 30, 2014. In addition, one of Windsor's subsidiaries offers Medicare Supplement insurance policies through which it serves approximately 45,000 members in 39 states as of September 30, 2014.

#### Medicare Health Plans Segment Results



The following table sets forth the summarized results of operations and other relevant performance measures for our Medicare segment for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2014 and 2013:

	For the Three Months Ended September 30, 2014		Percentage Change	For the Nine Months Ended September 30, 2014		Percentage Change
	2013	(Dollars in millions)		2013	(Dollars in millions)	
Medicare Health Plans:						
Premium revenue	\$1,012.2	\$807.3	25.4 %	\$2,953.5	\$2,286.2	29.2 %
Medical benefits expense	918.0	685.7	33.9 %	2,633.5	1,968.6	33.8 %
ACA industry fee	11.4	—	NMF	34.0	—	NMF
Gross margin	\$82.8	\$121.6	(31.9 )%	\$286.0	\$317.6	(9.9 )%
MBR	90.7 %	84.9 %	5.8 %	89.2 %	86.1 %	3.1 %
Membership	416,000	283,000	47.0 %			

Medicare premium revenue for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2014 increased 25% and 29%, respectively, when compared to the same periods in 2013. Slightly more than half of the increase resulted from organic membership growth in Florida, California, New York and Texas, while the Windsor acquisition drove most of the remaining increase in both the three and nine months ended September 30, 2014. Partially offsetting these increases was the impact of CMS premium rate decreases compared to 2013.

Medical benefits expense for both the three and nine months ended September 30, 2014 increased by approximately 34% when compared to the same periods in 2013. The increase in both periods was mainly driven by the increase in membership discussed above. The Medicare Health Plans segment MBR increased by 580 basis points and 310 basis points for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2014, respectively, resulting mainly from the impact of CMS rate decreases and the federal government's budget sequestration, which took effect in April 2013, partially offset by changes to plan benefit designs and cost sharing terms in 2014 compared with 2013, as well as our ongoing medical cost management initiatives.

## Outlook

We expect the Medicare Health Plans segment MBR to be in the range of approximately 88.75% and 89.25% in 2014 compared to 86.6% in 2013. The increase is due mainly to unfavorable prior period reserve development recognized during the first half of 2014 and utilization in the Windsor MA plans and certain other markets that is higher than we expected. We expect that the performance of our Windsor plans will improve relative to the first half of 2014, as certain planned medical management and expense initiatives take effect.

In 2015, we plan to serve Medicare eligibles in 376 counties in 15 states, compared to 402 counties in 18 states in 2014, including Windsor. We will no longer be offering an MA plan in the states of Arizona, Missouri or Ohio, which represent 23 of our current counties and 9,000 members as of September 30, 2014. In addition, this includes the departure from two counties in California and one county in Illinois.

## Medicare PDPs

We have contracted with CMS to serve as a plan sponsor offering stand-alone Medicare Part D PDPs to Medicare eligible beneficiaries through our Medicare PDPs segment. As of September 30, 2014, we offered PDPs in 49 states and the District of Columbia. The PDP benefit design generally results in our incurring a greater portion of the responsibility for total prescription drug costs in the early stages of a plan year, and less in the latter stages of a plan year, due to the members' share of cumulative out-of-pocket costs increasing throughout the plan year. As a result, the Medicare PDPs MBR generally decreases throughout the year. Also, the level and mix of members who are auto-assigned to us and those who actively choose our PDPs impact the segment MBR pattern across periods.

### Impacting Our Results

Our Medicare PDP business has been subject to substantial margin compression in 2014. As a result of legislation passed in December 2013, the 2% Federal budget sequestration reduction to Medicare provider and plan payments continued in 2014 and will extend through 2023, and so our results of operations have been, and will continue to be, negatively impacted. In addition, our PDP premium rates have not been adjusted to specifically offset the impact of the ACA industry fee.

Based on the outcome of our 2014 stand-alone PDP bids, our plans are below the benchmarks in 30 of the 34 CMS regions and within the de minimis range of the benchmark in two other CMS regions. Comparatively, in 2013, our plans were below the benchmark in 14 regions and within the de minimis range in five other regions. In 2014, we are being auto-assigned newly eligible members into our plans for the 30 regions that are below the benchmark. Membership has increased to approximately 1.4 million as of September 30, 2014, from 757,000 as of December 31, 2013. We expect membership to continue to grow organically during the remaining months of 2014.

### Medicare PDPs Segment Results

The following table sets forth the summarized results of operations and other relevant performance measures for our Medicare PDPs segment for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2014 and 2013:

	For the Three Months Ended September 30,		Percentage Change	For the Nine Months Ended September 30,		Percentage Change			
	2014	2013		2014	2013				
Medicare PDPs:	(Dollars in millions)								
Premium revenue	\$256.2	\$195.9	30.8	%	\$926.3	\$604.3	53.3	%	
Medical benefits expense	229.6	144.4	59.0	%	893.8	543.0	64.6	%	
ACA industry fee	2.9	—	NMF		8.7	—	NMF		
Gross margin	\$23.7	\$51.5	(54.0)	)%	\$23.8	\$61.3	(61.2)	)%	
MBR	89.6	% 73.7	%	15.9	%	96.5	% 89.9	% 6.6	%
Membership	1,369,000	784,000	74.6	%					

Medicare PDP premium revenue for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2014 increased 31% and 53%, respectively, compared to the same periods in 2013, primarily due to the increase in membership, which includes 105,000 members from the Windsor acquisition, and the outcome of our 2014 bids, which reflects a lower average premium per member. PDP MBR for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2014 increased 1,590 basis points and 660 basis points, respectively, compared to the same periods in 2013 mainly due to higher drug unit costs, increased utilization of branded and specialty medications and the outcome of our 2014 bids. PDP MBR for the nine months ended September 30, 2014 was also impacted by CMS rate decreases and the federal government's budget sequestration, which took effect in April 2013.

### Outlook

We currently anticipate our PDP segment MBR for 2014 will be in the range of approximately 92.00% to 93.00%, up from 86.5% in 2013. The expected year-over-year increase results mainly from higher drug unit costs and higher utilization of branded and specialty medications among members who enrolled in our plans in 2014, partially offset by the realignment of our benefit plans and cost structure, including the launch of our preferred pharmacy network.

Our 2015 PDP bids resulted in one of our basic plans being below the benchmarks in 13 of the 33 CMS regions for which we submitted bids, and within the de minimis range in nine other regions. We expect that our membership will decrease in 2015 compared to 2014 as those PDP members who were auto assigned to us in regions where our plans are not below or within the de minimis range will be assigned to other plans.

### LIQUIDITY AND CAPITAL RESOURCES

Each of our existing and anticipated sources of cash is impacted by operational and financial risks that influence the overall amount of cash generated and the capital available to us. Additionally, we operate as a holding company in a highly regulated industry. The parent and other non-regulated companies ("non-regulated subsidiaries") are dependent upon dividends and management fees from our regulated subsidiaries, most of which are subject to regulatory

restrictions. For a further discussion of risks that can affect our liquidity, see Part II– Item 1A – "Risk Factors" included in this 2014 Form 10-Q.

## Liquidity

The Company maintains liquidity at two levels: the regulated subsidiary level and the non-regulated parent and subsidiary level.

### Regulated subsidiaries

Our regulated HMO and insurance subsidiaries' primary liquidity requirements include:

- payment of medical claims and other health care services;
- management fees paid to our non-regulated administrator subsidiary under intercompany services agreements and
- direct administrative costs, which are not covered by an intercompany services agreement, such as selling expenses and legal costs; and
- federal tax payments to the parent company under an intercompany tax sharing agreement.

Our regulated subsidiaries meet their liquidity needs by:

- maintaining appropriate levels of cash, cash equivalents and short-term investments;
- generating cash flows from operating activities, mainly from premium revenue;
- cash flows from investing activities, including investment income and sales of investments; and
- capital contributions received from our non-regulated subsidiaries.

We refer collectively to the cash, cash equivalents and investment balances maintained by our regulated subsidiaries as "regulated cash and investments," respectively. Our regulated subsidiaries generally receive premiums in advance of payments of claims for medical and other health care services; however, regulated cash and cash equivalents can fluctuate significantly in a particular period depending on the timing of receipts for premiums from our government partners. Our unrestricted regulated cash and investments was \$1.5 billion as of September 30, 2014, which was a slight increase from \$1.4 billion at December 31, 2013. Year-to-date unrestricted regulated cash activity included the impact of cash provided by operations, cash acquired as part of the Windsor acquisition and \$72.0 million of contributions received from the Parent and non-regulated subsidiaries, partially offset by \$68.0 million of dividends paid to the unregulated subsidiaries.

Our regulated subsidiaries are each subject to applicable state regulations that, among other things, require the maintenance of minimum levels of capital and surplus. We continue to maintain significant levels of aggregate excess statutory capital and surplus in our regulated subsidiaries. See further discussion under Regulatory Capital and Dividend Restrictions below.

### Parent and non-regulated subsidiaries

Liquidity requirements at the non-regulated parent and subsidiary level generally consist of:

- payment of administrative costs not directly incurred by our regulated operations, including, but not limited to, staffing costs, business development, rent, branding and certain information technology services;
- capital contributions paid to our regulated subsidiaries;
- capital expenditures;
- debt service; and
- federal tax payments.

Our non-regulated parent and subsidiaries normally meet their liquidity requirements by:

- management fees earned by our non-regulated administrator subsidiary under intercompany services agreements;
- dividends received from our regulated subsidiaries;
- collecting federal tax payments from the regulated subsidiaries;
- proceeds from issuance of debt and equity securities; and
- cash flows from investing activities, including investment income and sales of investments.

Unregulated cash, cash equivalents and investments was approximately \$458.4 million as of September 30, 2014, a \$36.7 million decrease from a balance of \$495.1 million as of December 31, 2013. The decrease resulted mainly from funding required for various subsidies and other payments due to the Company from CMS associated with PDPs and MA plans, \$72.0 million of capital contributions made to certain regulated subsidiaries and payment of certain investigation resolution costs and other related costs. These decreases were partially offset by the \$298.6 million in net proceeds from the Term Loan received in September 2014 and \$68.0 million of dividends received from regulated subsidiaries. The CMS subsidies and payments include, among others, the catastrophic reinsurance subsidy and various premium and cost sharing subsidies for low income members, as well as the CMS risk corridor. Growth in our PDP and MA membership and high drug unit costs has resulted in higher subsidy payments compared with our bids and prior years, and our unregulated cash will continue to be used to fund these receivables until they are settled with CMS, which we expect to occur in October 2015.

#### Outlook

Our 2015 PDP and MA bids reflected significantly higher estimates for cash outflows for the government's responsibility of the Part D benefit plan design, particularly for the catastrophic reinsurance subsidy.

#### Auction Rate Securities

As of September 30, 2014, \$32.3 million of our long-term investments were comprised of municipal note securities with an auction reset feature ("auction rate securities"), which are issued by various state and local municipal entities for the purpose of financing student loans, public projects and other activities and carry investment grade credit ratings. Liquidity for these auction rate securities is typically provided by an auction process, which allows holders to sell their notes and resets the applicable interest rate at pre-determined intervals, usually every seven or 35 days. As of the date of this 2014 Form 10-Q, auctions have failed for our auction rate securities and there is no assurance that auctions will succeed in the future. An auction failure means that the parties wishing to sell their securities could not be matched with an adequate volume of buyers. In the event that there is a failed auction, the indenture governing the security requires the issuer to pay interest at a contractually defined rate that is generally above market rates for other types of similar instruments. The securities for which auctions have failed will continue to accrue interest at the contractual rate and be auctioned every seven or 35 days until the auction succeeds, the issuer calls the securities, or they mature. As a result, our ability to liquidate and fully recover the carrying value of our remaining auction rate securities in the near term may be limited or non-existent. In addition, while two of our auction rate securities currently carry investment grade ratings and one auction rate security has a credit rating below investment grade, if the issuers are unable to successfully close future auctions and their credit ratings deteriorate, we may be required to record an impairment charge on these investments in the future.

Although auctions continue to fail, we believe we will be able to liquidate these securities without significant loss. There are government guarantees or municipal bond insurance in place and we have the ability and the present intent to hold these securities until maturity or market stability is restored. Accordingly, we do not believe our auction rate securities are impaired and as a result, we have not recorded any impairment losses for our auction rate securities. However, it could take until the final maturity of the underlying securities to realize our investments' recorded value. The final maturity of the underlying securities could be as long as 23 years. The weighted-average life of the underlying securities for our auction rate securities portfolio is 19 years.

#### Cash Flow Activities

Our cash flows are summarized as follows:

	For the Nine Months Ended September 30,	
	2014	2013
	(In millions)	
Net cash provided by operating activities	\$179.4	\$229.7
Net cash provided by (used in) investing activities	45.0	(153.3 )
Net cash (used in) provided by financing activities	(156.4 )	213.7
Total net increase in cash and cash equivalents	\$68.0	\$290.1



### Net Cash Provided by Operating Activities

We generally receive premiums in advance of payments of claims for health care services; however, cash flows related to our operations can fluctuate significantly in a particular period depending on the timing of premium receipts from our government partners or payments related to the resolution of government investigations and related litigation.

The decrease in cash flow from operating activities for the nine months ended September 30, 2014, compared to the same period in 2013 mainly resulted from the \$137.7 million ACA industry fee payment remitted to the IRS during September 2014, as well as the timing of certain receipts and increased medical benefits costs, partially offset by the increase in premiums associated with the growth in membership. Operating cash flows for the nine months ended September 30, 2014 were negatively impacted by a \$36.5 million payment made to the Civil Division, compared to \$37.6 million in payments remitted to the Civil Division during the first half of 2013.

### Net Cash Provided by (Used In) Investing Activities

During the nine months ended September 30, 2014, cash provided by investing activities increased mainly due to \$117.0 million of net cash acquired from acquisitions, mainly relating to the Windsor acquisition. Cash acquired from the Windsor acquisition was partially offset by cash paid for the acquisition of Healthfirst NJ, as well as payments made to settle certain previous acquisitions. Excluding acquisitions, cash and investment activities primarily reflect our investment in marketable securities and restricted investments of approximately \$359.2 million and purchases of property and equipment of \$46.4 million, partially offset by \$333.6 million of proceeds from maturities of marketable securities and restricted investments.

During the nine months ended September 30, 2013, cash used in investing activities primarily reflects our investment in marketable securities and restricted investments of approximately \$396.3 million and purchases of property and equipment of \$48.9 million, partially offset by \$332.4 million of proceeds from maturities of marketable securities and restricted investments. Cash consideration paid for acquisitions, net of cash acquired, was \$40.5 million in 2013 related to the WCSC and Missouri Care acquisitions.

### Net Cash (Used In) Provided By Financing Activities

Net cash used in or provided by financing activities is mainly impacted by net funds received or paid for the benefit of members of our MA and PDP plans and debt related activity. Net funds paid for the benefit of members was approximately \$452.0 million for the nine months ended September 30, 2014, compared to funds received of \$7.2 million during the same period in 2013. These funds represent the net amounts of subsidies received from CMS, and the related prescription drug benefits we paid, in connection with the low-income cost sharing, catastrophic reinsurance and coverage gap discount components of the Medicare Part D program for which we assume no risk. The decrease in cash flow in 2014 is due mainly to funding for the benefit of MA and PDP plan members stemming from increased drug costs. Financing cash activity for 2014 also includes \$298.6 million in net proceeds from debt resulting from the \$300.0 million Term Loan issued during September 2014, while in 2013 we received net proceeds from additional borrowings under our senior secured credit agreement of \$228.5 million.

### Financial Impact of Government Investigation and Litigation

Under the terms of settlement agreements entered into by us on April 26, 2011, and finalized on March 23, 2012, to resolve matters under investigation by the Civil Division of the U.S. Department of Justice (the "Civil Division") and certain other federal and state enforcement agencies (the "Settlement"), WellCare agreed to pay the Civil Division a total of \$137.5 million in four equal annual principal payments, plus interest accrued at 3.125%. The estimated fair

value of the discounted remaining liability was \$34.9 million at September 30, 2014.

#### Capital Resources

#### Credit Agreement

In September 2014, we amended and restated our existing credit agreement (as amended and restated, the "Credit Agreement") to provide for a \$300.0 million term loan (the "Term Loan"), in addition to the previously-existing senior unsecured revolving loan facility (the "Revolving Credit Facility") of up to \$300.0 million, which may be used for general corporate purposes of the Company and its subsidiaries. The Revolving Credit Facility provides that up to \$75.0 million may be used for letters of credit. The Credit Agreement also provides that we may, at our option, increase the aggregate amount of the

Revolving Credit Facility and/or obtain incremental term loans in an amount up to \$75.0 million without the consent of any lenders not participating in such increase, subject to certain customary conditions and lenders committing to provide the increase in funding. The Term Loan matures in full in September 2016, with no amortization payments or prepayment penalties. We are not able to reborrow amounts repaid under the Term Loan. The commitments under the Revolving Credit Facility expire on November 14, 2018 and any amounts outstanding under the facility will be payable in full at that time. Borrowings under the Credit Agreement bear interest at a rate of LIBOR plus a spread of between 1.50% and 2.625%, or a rate equal to the Prime Rate plus a spread of between 0.50% to 1.625%, depending upon our cash flow leverage ratio (which is defined as the ratio of our total debt to total consolidated EBITDA.) Unutilized commitments under the Credit Agreement are subject to a fee of 0.25% to 0.45% depending upon our cash flow leverage ratio.

The Credit Agreement contains negative and financial covenants that limit certain activities of our company and its subsidiaries, including (i) restrictions on our ability to incur additional indebtedness; and (ii) financial covenants that require (a) the cash flow leverage ratio not to exceed a maximum; (b) a minimum interest expense and principal payment coverage ratio; and (c) a minimum level of statutory net worth for our health maintenance organization and insurance subsidiaries. The Credit Agreement also contains customary representations and warranties that must be accurate in order for us to borrow under the Revolving Credit Facility. In addition, the Credit Agreement contains customary events of default. If an event of default occurs and is continuing, we may be required immediately to repay all amounts outstanding under the Credit Agreement. Lenders holding at least 50% of the loans and commitments under the Credit Agreement may elect to accelerate the maturity of the loans and/or terminate the commitments under the Credit Agreement upon the occurrence and during the continuation of an event of default.

We received net proceeds of \$298.6 million in connection with the funding of the Term Loan and the closing of the Credit Agreement in September 2014. The Term Loan is classified as long-term debt in the Company's condensed consolidated balance sheet at September 30, 2014 based on its September 2016 maturity date. The interest rate on the Term Loan was 2.44% as of September 30, 2014.

Additionally, in November 2013, we terminated our 2011 credit agreement in connection with our entry into the Credit Agreement described above. All amounts outstanding under the 2011 credit agreement were paid in full on November 14, 2013.

As of September 30, 2014 and as of the date of this filing, we have not drawn upon the Revolving Credit Facility and we remain in compliance with all covenants under both the Credit Agreement and the Senior Notes (defined below).

#### Senior Notes

In November 2013, we completed the offer and sale of \$600.0 million in principal amount of 5.75% unsecured senior notes due 2020 (the "Senior Notes"). We received net proceeds of \$587.9 million upon issuance of the Senior Notes, after deduction of approximately \$12.1 million incurred in debt issuance costs. The Senior Notes will mature on November 15, 2020, with interest on the Senior Notes payable semi-annually on May 15 and November 15 of each year, which commenced on May 15, 2014. We used a portion of the net proceeds from the offering to repay the full \$336.5 million outstanding under our 2011 credit agreement, and the remaining net proceeds are being used for general corporate purposes, including organic growth opportunities and potential acquisitions.

The indenture under which the Senior Notes were issued contains covenants that, among other things, limit the ability of our company and its restricted subsidiaries to:

- incur additional indebtedness and issue preferred stock;
- pay dividends or make other distributions;

- make other restricted payments and investments;
- sell assets, including capital stock of restricted subsidiaries;
- create certain liens;
- incur restrictions on the ability of restricted subsidiaries to pay dividends or make other payments, and in the case of our subsidiaries, guarantee indebtedness;
- engage in transactions with affiliates;
- create unrestricted subsidiaries; and
- merge or consolidate with other entities.

For additional information on our long-term debt, see Note 8 – Debt to the Condensed Consolidated Financial Statements.

## Shelf Registration Statement

In August 2012, we filed a shelf registration statement on Form S-3 with the United States Securities & Exchange Commission (the "Commission") that became automatically effective covering the registration, issuance and sale of an indeterminate amount of our securities, including common stock, preferred stock, senior or subordinated debt securities, depository shares, securities purchase contracts, units or warrants. We may publicly offer securities in the future at prices and terms to be determined at the time of the offering.

## Initiatives to Increase Our Unregulated Cash

We may pursue alternatives to raise additional unregulated cash. Some of these initiatives may include, but are not limited to, obtaining dividends from certain of our regulated subsidiaries, provided sufficient capital in excess of regulatory requirements exists in these subsidiaries, and/or accessing the debt and equity capital markets. However, we cannot provide any assurances that we will obtain applicable state regulatory approvals for additional dividends to our non-regulated subsidiaries by our regulated subsidiaries or be successful in accessing the capital markets if we determine to do so. We believe that we have sufficient capital, or sufficient access to capital, including through the Revolving Credit Facility, to meet our capital needs for at least the next twelve months.

## Regulatory Capital and Dividend Restrictions

Each of our HMO and insurance subsidiaries must maintain a minimum amount of statutory capital determined by statute or regulation. The minimum statutory capital requirements differ by state and are generally based on a percentage of annualized premium revenue, a percentage of annualized health care costs, a percentage of certain liabilities, a statutory minimum, risk-based capital ("RBC") requirements or other financial ratios. The RBC requirements are based on guidelines established by the NAIC, and have been adopted by most states. As of September 30, 2014, our operating HMO and insurance company subsidiaries in all states except California, New York and Florida were subject to RBC requirements. The RBC requirements may be modified as each state legislature deems appropriate for that state. The RBC formula, based on asset risk, underwriting risk, credit risk, business risk and other factors, generates the authorized control level ("ACL"), which represents the amount of capital required to support the regulated entity's business. For states in which the RBC requirements have been adopted, the regulated entity typically must maintain a minimum of the greater of 200% of the required ACL or the minimum statutory net worth requirement calculated pursuant to pre-RBC guidelines. Our subsidiaries operating in Texas, Tennessee and Ohio are required to maintain statutory capital at RBC levels equal to 225%, 300% and 300%, respectively, of the applicable ACL. Failure to maintain these requirements would trigger regulatory action by the state. At September 30, 2014, our HMO and insurance subsidiaries were in compliance with these minimum capital requirements.

The statutory framework for our regulated subsidiaries' minimum capital requirements changes over time. For instance, RBC requirements may be adopted by more of the states in which we operate. These subsidiaries are also subject to their state regulators' overall oversight powers. For example, the State of New York adopted regulations that increase the reserve requirement annually until 2018. In addition, regulators could require our subsidiaries to maintain minimum levels of statutory net worth in excess of the amount required under the applicable state laws if the regulators determine that maintaining such additional statutory net worth is in the best interest of our members and other constituencies. Moreover, if we expand our plan offerings in a state or pursue new business opportunities, we may be required to make additional statutory capital contributions.

In addition to the foregoing requirements, our regulated subsidiaries are subject to restrictions on their ability to make dividend payments, loans and other transfers of cash. Dividend restrictions vary by state, but the maximum amount of dividends which can be paid without prior approval from the applicable state is subject to restrictions relating to statutory capital, surplus and net income for the previous year. Some states require prior approval of all dividends, regardless of amount. States may disapprove any dividend that, together with other dividends paid by a subsidiary in

the prior 12 months, exceeds the regulatory maximum as computed for the subsidiary based on its statutory surplus and net income. We received \$68.0 million in dividends from our regulated subsidiaries during the nine months ended September 30, 2014.

For additional information on regulatory requirements, see Note 16 – Regulatory Capital and Dividend Restrictions to the Condensed Consolidated Financial Statements included in our 2013 Form 10-K.

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## CRITICAL ACCOUNTING ESTIMATES

In the ordinary course of business, we make a number of estimates and assumptions relating to the reporting of our results of operations and financial condition in conformity with GAAP. We base our estimates on historical experience and on various other assumptions that we believe to be reasonable under the circumstances. Actual results could differ significantly from those estimates under different assumptions and conditions. We believe that our accounting estimates relating to premium revenue recognition, medical benefits expense and medical benefits payable, and goodwill and intangible assets, are those that are most important to the portrayal of our financial condition and results and require management's most difficult, subjective and complex judgments, often as a result of the need to make estimates about the effect of matters that are inherently uncertain. We have not changed our methodology in deriving these critical accounting estimates from those previously disclosed in our 2013 Form 10-K.

### Premium Revenue Recognition and Premiums Receivable

We earn premium revenue through our participation in Medicaid, Medicaid-related and Medicare programs.

State governments individually operate and implement and, together with the federal government's CMS, fund and regulate the Medicaid program. We provide benefits to low-income and disabled persons under the Medicaid program and are paid premiums based on contracts with government agencies in the states in which we operate health plans. Our Medicaid contracts are generally multi-year contracts subject to annual renewal provisions. Rate changes are typically made at the commencement of each new contract renewal period. In some instances, our fixed Medicaid premiums are subject to risk score adjustments based on the acuity of our membership. State agencies analyze encounter submissions of processed claims data to determine the acuity of our membership relative to the entire state's Medicaid membership.

We operate our MA plans under the Medicare Part C program and provide our eligible members with benefits comparable to those available under Medicare Parts A and B. Most of our MA plans and all of our PDPs offer prescription drug benefits to eligible members under the Medicare Part D program. Premiums for each MA member are established by contract, although the rates vary according to a combination of factors, including upper payment limits established by CMS, the member's geographic location, age, gender, medical history or condition, or the services rendered to the member. Our MA contracts with CMS generally have terms of one year and expire at the end of each calendar year. PDP premiums are also based upon contracts with CMS that have a term of one year and expire at the end of each calendar year. We provide annual written bids to CMS for our PDPs, which reflect the estimated costs of providing prescription drug benefits over the plan year. Changes in MA and PDP members' health status also impact monthly premiums as described under "Risk-Adjusted Medicare Premiums" below. CMS pays all premium for Medicare Part C and substantially all of the premium for Medicare Part D coverage. We bill the remaining Medicare Part D premium to PDP and MA members with Part D benefits based on the plan year bid submitted to CMS. For qualifying low-income subsidy ("LIS") members, CMS pays for some or all of the LIS member's monthly premium. The CMS payment is dependent upon the member's income level as determined by the Social Security Administration.

We receive premiums from CMS and state agencies on a PMPM basis for the members that are assigned to, or have selected, us to provide health care services under our Medicare and Medicaid contracts. We recognize premium revenue in the period in which we are obligated to provide services to our members. CMS and state agencies generally pay us in the month in which we provide services. We record premiums earned, but not received, as premiums receivable and record premiums received in advance of the period of service as unearned premiums in the condensed consolidated balance sheets. Unearned premiums are recognized as revenue when we provide the related services. On a monthly basis, we bill members for any premiums for which they are responsible according to their respective plan. Member premiums are recognized as revenue in the period of service. We reduce recorded premium revenue and

member premiums receivable by the amount we estimate may not be collectible, based on our evaluation of historical trends. We also routinely monitor the collectability of premiums receivable from CMS and state agencies, including Medicaid receivables for obstetric deliveries and newborns and net receivables for member retroactivity. We reduce revenue and premiums receivable by the amount we estimate may not be collectible. We report premiums receivable, net of an allowance for uncollectible premiums receivable, which was \$22.2 million and \$15.8 million, at September 30, 2014 and December 31, 2013, respectively. Historically, the allowance for member premiums receivable has not been material relative to consolidated premium revenue.



We record retroactive adjustments to revenues based on changes in the number and eligibility status of our members subsequent to when we recorded revenue related to those members and months of service. We receive premium payments based upon eligibility lists produced by CMS and state agencies. We verify these lists to determine whether we have been paid for the correct premium category and program. From time to time, CMS and state agencies require us to reimburse them for premiums that we received for individuals who were subsequently determined by us, or by CMS or state agencies, to be ineligible for any government-sponsored program or to belong to a plan other than ours. We receive additional premiums from CMS and state agencies for individuals who were subsequently determined to belong to our plan for periods in which we received no premium for those members. We estimate the amount of outstanding retroactivity adjustments and adjust premium revenue based on historical trends, premiums billed, the volume of member and contract renewal activity and other information. We record amounts receivable or payable in premiums receivable, net and other accrued expenses and liabilities in the condensed consolidated balance sheets.

#### Risk-Adjusted Medicare Premiums

CMS employs a risk-adjustment model to determine the premium amount it pays for each MA and PDP member. This model apportions premiums paid to all plans according to the health status of each beneficiary enrolled, resulting in higher scores for members with predictably higher costs. The model uses diagnosis data from inpatient and ambulatory treatment settings to calculate each risk score. We collect claims and encounter data for our MA members and submit the necessary diagnosis data to CMS within prescribed deadlines. After reviewing the respective submissions, CMS establishes the premium payments to MA plans at the beginning of the plan year, and then adjusts premium levels on a retroactive basis. The first retroactive adjustment for a given plan year generally occurs during the third quarter of that year and represents the update of risk scores for the current plan year based on the severity of claims incurred in the prior plan year. CMS then issues a final retroactive risk-adjusted premium settlement for that plan year in the following year.

We develop our estimates for risk-adjusted premiums utilizing historical experience and predictive models as sufficient member risk score data becomes available over the course of each CMS plan year. We populate our models with available risk score data on our members and base risk premium adjustments on risk score data from the previous year. We are not privy to risk score data for members new to our plans in the current plan year; therefore we include assumptions regarding these members' risk scores. We periodically revise our estimates of risk-adjusted premiums as additional diagnosis code information is reported to CMS and adjust our estimates to actual amounts when the ultimate adjustment settlements are either received from CMS or we receive notification from CMS of such settlement amounts. As a result of the variability of factors that determine our estimates for risk-adjusted premiums, the actual amount of the CMS retroactive payment could be materially more or less than our estimates and could have a material effect on our results of operations, financial position and cash flows. We record any changes in estimates in current operations as adjustments to premium revenue. Historically, we have not experienced significant differences between our estimates and amounts ultimately received. However, in the third quarter of 2013, we recognized risk-adjusted premium received as part of the 2012 final settlement that was higher than our original estimates, mainly related to members in our California MA plan that were new to Medicare in 2012. Additionally, the data provided to CMS to determine members' risk scores is subject to audit by CMS even after the annual settlements occur. An audit may result in the refund of premiums to CMS. While our experience to date has not resulted in a material refund, future refunds could materially reduce premium revenue in the year in which CMS determines a refund is required and could be material to our results of operations, financial position and cash flows. Premiums receivable in the accompanying condensed consolidated balance sheets include risk-adjusted premiums receivable of \$134.7 million and \$107.2 million as of September 30, 2014 and December 31, 2013, respectively.

#### Minimum Medical Expense and Risk Corridor Provisions

We may be required to refund certain premium revenue to CMS and state government agencies under various contractual and plan arrangements. We estimate the impact of the following arrangements on a monthly basis and reflect any adjustments to premium revenues in current operations. We report the estimated net amounts due to CMS and state agencies in other payables to government partners in the condensed consolidated balance sheets.

Certain of our Medicaid contracts require us to expend a minimum percentage of premiums on eligible medical benefits expense. To the extent that we expend less than the minimum percentage of the premiums on eligible medical benefits expense, we are required to refund to the state all or some portion of the difference between the minimum and our actual allowable medical benefits expense. We estimate the amounts due to the state agencies as a return of premium based on the terms of our contracts with the applicable state agency.

Our MA and PDP prescription drug plan premiums are subject to risk sharing through the CMS Medicare Part D risk corridor provisions. The risk corridor calculation compares our actual experience to the target amount of prescription drug costs, limited to costs under the standard coverage as defined by CMS, less rebates included in our submitted plan year bid. We receive additional premium from CMS if our actual experience is more than 5% above the target amount. We refund premiums to CMS if our actual experience is more than 5% below the target amount. After the close of the annual plan year, CMS performs the risk corridor calculation and any differences are settled between CMS and our plans. We have not historically experienced material differences between the subsequent CMS settlement amount and our estimates.

Beginning in 2014, the Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act, as amended by the Health Care and Education Reconciliation Act of 2010 (collectively, the "ACA"), requires the establishment of a minimum medical loss ratio ("MLR") for MA plans and Part D plans, requiring them to spend not less than 85% of premiums on medical benefits. The rules implementing the minimum MLR impose financial and other penalties for failing to achieve the minimum MLR, including requirements to refund to CMS shortfalls in amounts spent on medical benefits and termination of a plan's MA contract for prolonged failure to achieve the minimum MLR. MLR is determined by adding a plan's spending for clinical services, prescription drugs and other direct patient benefits, plus its total spending on quality improvement activities and dividing the total by earned premiums (after subtracting specific identified taxes and other fees). We do not expect these provisions to have a material impact to our results of operations in 2014.

#### Medicare Part D Settlements

We receive certain Part D prospective subsidy payments from CMS for our MA and PDP members based on the estimated costs of providing prescription drug benefits over the plan year. After the close of the annual plan year, CMS reconciles our actual experience to the prospective payments we received and any differences are settled between CMS and our plans. As such, these subsidies represent funding from CMS for which we assume no risk. We do not recognize the receipt of these subsidies as premium revenue and we do not recognize the payments of related prescription drug benefits as medical benefits expense. We report the subsidies received and benefits paid on a net basis as funds receivable (held) for the benefit of members in the condensed consolidated balance sheets. We also report the net receipts and payments as a financing activity in our condensed consolidated statements of cash flows. CMS pays the following subsidies prospectively as a fixed PMPM amount based upon the plan year bid submitted by us:

**Low-Income Cost Sharing Subsidy**—CMS reimburses us for all or a portion of qualifying LIS members' deductible, coinsurance and co-payment amounts above the out-of-pocket threshold.

**Catastrophic Reinsurance Subsidy**—CMS reimburses us for 80% of the drug costs after a member reaches his or her out-of-pocket catastrophic threshold through a catastrophic reinsurance subsidy.

**Coverage Gap Discount Subsidy**—We advance the pharmaceutical manufacturers gap coverage discounts at the point of sale. On a periodic basis, CMS bills pharmaceutical manufacturers for discounts advanced by us. Pharmaceutical manufacturers remit payments for invoiced amounts directly to us. CMS reduces subsequent prospective payments made to us by the discount amounts billed to manufacturers.

CMS generally performs the Part D payment reconciliation in the fourth quarter of the following plan year based on prescription drug event data we submit to CMS within prescribed deadlines. After the Part D payment reconciliation for coverage gap discount subsidies, we may continue to report discounts to CMS for 37 months following the end of the plan year. CMS will invoice manufacturers for these discounts and we will be paid through the quarterly manufacturer payments. Historically, we have not experienced material adjustments related to the CMS annual reconciliation of prior plan year low-income cost sharing, catastrophic reinsurance and coverage gap discount subsidies.

#### Medical Benefits Expense and Medical Benefits Payable

Medical benefits payable is the most significant estimate included in the condensed consolidated financial statements. We use a consistent methodology to record management's best estimate of medical benefits payable based on the experience and information available to us at the time. This estimate is determined utilizing standard actuarial methodologies based upon

historical experience and key assumptions consisting of trend factors and completion factors using an assumption of moderately adverse conditions, which vary by business segment. These standard actuarial methodologies include:

- contractual requirements;
- historic utilization trends;
- the interval between the date services are rendered and the date claims are paid;
- denied and disputed claims activity and changes in benefits;
- expected health care cost inflation;
- seasonality patterns;
- maturity of lines of business; and
- changes in membership.

Many aspects of the managed care business are not predictable. These aspects include incidences of illness or disease (such as congestive heart failure cases, cases of upper respiratory illness, the length and severity of the flu season, diabetes cases, the number of full-term versus premature births and the number of neonatal intensive care babies). Therefore, we must continually monitor our historical experience in determining our trend assumptions to reflect the ever-changing mix, needs and size of our membership. Among the factors considered by management are:

- changes in the level of benefits provided to members;
- seasonal variations in utilization;
- identified industry trends; and
- changes in provider reimbursement arrangements, including changes in the percentage of reimbursements made on a capitation as opposed to a fee-for-service basis.

The factors and assumptions described above that are used to develop our estimate of medical benefits expense and medical benefits payable inherently are subject to greater variability when there is more limited experience or information available to us. The ultimate claims payment amounts, patterns and trends for new products and geographic areas cannot be precisely predicted at their onset, since we, the providers and the members do not have experience in these products or geographic areas. Standard accepted actuarial methodologies, discussed above, would allow for this inherent variability. This can result in larger differences between the originally estimated medical benefits payable and the actual claims amounts paid. Conversely, during periods where our products and geographies are more stable and mature, we have more reliable claims payment patterns and trend experience. With more reliable data, we should be able to more closely estimate the ultimate claims payment amounts; therefore, we may experience smaller differences between our original estimate of medical benefits payable and the actual claim amounts paid.

In developing our estimates, we apply different estimation methods depending on the month for which incurred claims are being estimated. For the more recent months, which constitute the majority of the amount of the medical benefits payable, we estimate claims incurred by applying observed trend factors to the fixed fee PMPM costs for prior months, which costs have been estimated using completion factors, in order to estimate the PMPM costs for the most recent months. We validate our estimates of the most recent PMPM costs by comparing the most recent months' utilization levels to the utilization levels in prior months and actuarial techniques that incorporate a historical analysis of claim payments, including trends in cost of care provided, submission timeliness and claims' processing.

These considerations are reflected in the trends in our medical benefits expense. Other external factors such as government-mandated benefits or other regulatory changes, catastrophes and epidemics may impact medical cost trends. Other internal factors such as system conversions and claims processing interruptions may impact our ability to accurately estimate historical completion factors or medical cost trends. Medical cost trends potentially are more volatile than other segments of the economy. Management uses considerable judgment in determining medical benefits expense trends and other actuarial model inputs. The cumulative effect of prior period reserve development in

2013 was a favorable \$3.0 million; however, we recognized unfavorable prior period reserve development in three of four quarters in 2013, and in the first and second quarters of 2014. Based on the unfavorable prior period reserve development experience over these quarters, we have refined certain of these assumptions, resulting in increased current period medical benefits costs incurred. We believe that the amount of medical benefits payable as of September 30, 2014 is adequate to cover our ultimate liability for unpaid claims as of that date; however, actual payments may differ from established estimates. If the completion factors we used in estimating our IBNR for the quarter ended September 30, 2014 were decreased by 1%, our net income would decrease by approximately \$102.0 million. If the completion factors were increased by 1%, our net income would increase by approximately \$99.6 million.

Changes in medical benefits payable estimates are primarily the result of obtaining more complete claims information and medical expense trend data over time. Volatility in members' needs for medical services, provider claims submissions and our payment processes result in identifiable patterns emerging several months after the causes of deviations from assumed trends occur. Since our estimates are based upon PMPM claims experience, changes cannot typically be explained by any single factor, but are the result of a number of interrelated variables, all of which influence the resulting medical cost trend. Differences between actual experience and estimates used to establish the liability, which we refer to as prior period developments, are recorded in the period when such differences become known and have the effect of increasing or decreasing the reported medical benefits expense in such periods.

Because of the complexity of our business, the number of states in which we operate, and the need to account for different health care benefit packages among those states, we make an overall assessment of IBNR after considering the base actuarial model reserves and the provision for moderately adverse conditions. We consistently apply our IBNR estimation methodology from period to period. We review our overall estimates of IBNR on a monthly basis. As additional information becomes known to us, we adjust our assumptions accordingly to change our estimate of IBNR. Therefore, if moderately adverse conditions do not occur, evidenced by more complete claims information in the following period, then our prior period estimates will be revised downward, resulting in favorable development. However, when a portion of the development related to the prior year incurred claims is offset by an increase determined to address moderately adverse conditions for the current year incurred claims, we do not consider that development amount as having any impact on net income during the period. If moderately adverse conditions occur and are more than we estimated, then our prior period estimates will be revised upward, resulting in unfavorable development, which would decrease current period net income.

Favorable prior period reserve development amounted to \$16.6 million for the quarter ended September 30, 2014, which includes \$15.4 million of favorable development related to prior fiscal years and \$1.2 million of favorable development related to the first and second quarters of 2014. For the three months ended September 30, 2013, unfavorable development related to prior periods impacted medical benefits expense by approximately \$47.5 million, which includes \$16.3 million of unfavorable development related to prior fiscal years as well as \$31.2 million of unfavorable development related to the first and second quarters of 2013. The favorable development recognized in the three months ended September 30, 2014 was due mainly to lower than projected medical costs, mainly in our Medicaid Health Plans segment. For the nine months ended September 30, 2014, medical benefits expense was impacted by approximately \$46.2 million of unfavorable development related to prior periods, mainly related to the Medicaid Health Plans and Medicare Health Plans segments, compared to \$7.1 million of favorable development recognized during the same period in 2013.

See Note 1 – Organization, Basis of Presentation and Significant Accounting Policies, to the Condensed Consolidated Financial Statements for additional information regarding assumptions and methods used to estimate this liability.

#### Goodwill and Other Intangible Assets

Our acquisitions have resulted in goodwill, which represents the excess of the acquisition cost over the fair value of net assets acquired. Goodwill is assigned to reporting units, which we determined to be the same as our operating segments. Goodwill recorded at September 30, 2014 was \$263.2 million, which consisted of \$152.8 million and \$110.4 million attributable to our Medicaid and Medicare Advantage reporting units, respectively. Goodwill recorded at December 31, 2013 was \$236.8 million, which consisted of \$126.8 million and \$110.0 million attributable to our Medicaid and Medicare Advantage reporting units, respectively.

We test goodwill for impairment at the reporting unit level at least annually, or more frequently if events or circumstances indicate that it would be more likely than not that the fair value of a reporting unit is below its carrying value. Such events or circumstances could include a significant adverse change in business climate, an adverse action

or assessment by a regulator, unanticipated competition and the testing for recoverability of a significant asset group within a reporting unit, among others. To determine whether goodwill is impaired, we compare an estimate of the fair value of the applicable reporting unit to its carrying value, including goodwill. If the carrying value exceeds the estimated fair value, we compare the implied fair value of the applicable goodwill to its carrying value to measure the amount of goodwill impairment, if any. We perform our annual goodwill impairment test based on our financial position and results of operations as of June 30 of each year, which generally coincides with the finalization of federal and state contract negotiations and our initial budgeting and planning process. The annual impairment tests are based on an evaluation of estimated future discounted cash flows. The estimated discounted cash flows are based on the best information available to us at the time, including supportable assumptions and projections we believe are reasonable. Our discounted cash flow estimates use discount rates that correspond to a weighted-average cost of capital consistent with a market-participant view. The discount rates are consistent with those used for investment decisions and take into account the operating plans and strategies of our operating segments. Certain other key



assumptions utilized, including changes in membership, premium, health care costs, operating expenses, fees, assessments and taxes and effective tax rates, are based on estimates consistent with those utilized in our annual budgeting and planning process that we believe are reasonable. However, if we do not achieve the results reflected in the assumptions and estimates, our goodwill impairment evaluations could be adversely affected, and we may impair a portion of our goodwill, which would adversely affect our operating results in the period of impairment. Impairments, if any, would be classified as an operating expense. Based on the results of our annual impairment testing in 2014, we determined that the fair value of each reporting unit substantially exceeded its carrying value and no goodwill impairment losses were recognized.

Other intangible assets resulting from our previous acquisitions include provider networks, broker networks, trademarks, state contracts, non-compete agreements, licenses and permits. We amortize other intangible assets over their estimated useful lives ranging from approximately one to 15 years. These assets are allocated to reporting segments for impairment testing purposes. We review our other intangible assets for impairment when events or changes in circumstances occur, which may potentially affect the estimated useful life or recoverability of the remaining balances of our intangible assets. Such events and changes in circumstances would include significant changes in membership, state funding, federal and state government contracts and provider networks. Upon such an occurrence, recoverability of assets to be held and used is measured by comparing the carrying amount of an asset to current forecasts of undiscounted future net cash flows expected to be generated by the assets. Identifiable cash flows are measured at the lowest level for which they are largely independent of the cash flows of other groups of assets and liabilities. If these assets are determined to be impaired, the amount of impairment recognized is measured by the amount by which the carrying amount of the assets exceeds their fair value.

During the second quarter of 2014, we recognized approximately \$24.1 million in impairment and other charges, approximately \$18.0 million of which related to the partial impairment of certain intangible assets recorded in the 2012 acquisition of Easy Choice Health Plan, Inc. (“Easy Choice”). During the second quarter, our Easy Choice MA health plan continued to underperform, mainly reflecting an inability to improve the medical cost structure to the degree that was previously estimated, and the inability to achieve certain administrative cost savings. As a result, we performed an updated assessment of the recoverability of these intangible assets. The current projections of undiscounted future net cash flows expected to be generated by the Easy Choice health plan reflect a significant decline in the anticipated long-term profitability of this business relative to projections we completed in prior periods. The decline in projected profitability is resulting from the factors noted above, as well the continuing margin compression that is impacting the MA business as a whole. We compared the carrying values of the underlying intangible assets to the projected, undiscounted future net cash flows and determined that the undiscounted future net cash flows were insufficient to recover the carrying value of the assets. We measured the fair values of these assets at June 30, 2014 using an income-based valuation approach, and decreased the carrying values of the intangible assets to the estimated fair values, which resulted in an impairment charge of approximately \$18.0 million. We believe the assumptions used in the income approach, including the projected cash flows associated with the assets, as well as other key factors and assumptions, including the selection of an appropriate discount rate, were consistent with those that likely market place participants would experience when operating in the same market, with the same membership. The remaining charges for the quarter also include a charge for the full impairment of intangible assets associated the purchase of our Arizona MA plan after we concluded during the three months ended June 30, 2014, to exit the Arizona MA market in 2015, and charges resulting from the resolution of certain matters related to the purchase price of our 2013 acquisitions. We are no longer able to recognize the latter charges as adjustments to acquired assets, since we are beyond the measurement period established in the accounting rules for business combinations.

#### Commitments and Contingencies

Based on the nature of our business, we are subject to regulatory reviews or other investigations by various state insurance and health care regulatory authorities and other state and federal regulatory authorities. These authorities regularly scrutinize the business practices of health insurance and benefits companies and their reviews focus on numerous facets of our business, including claims payment practices, provider contracting, competitive practices, commission payments, privacy issues and utilization management practices, among others. Some of these reviews have historically resulted in fines imposed on us and some have required changes to our business practices. We continue to be subject to such reviews, which may result in additional fines and/or sanctions being imposed, premium refunds or additional changes in our business practices.

We are also involved in other legal actions in the normal course of our business, including, without limitation, wage and hour claims and other employment claims and provider disputes regarding payment of claims. Some of these actions seek monetary damages including claims for liquidated or punitive damages, which are not covered by insurance. We review relevant information with respect to litigation matters and we update our estimates of reasonably possible losses and related disclosures. We accrue an estimate for contingent liabilities, including attorney's fees related to these matters, if a loss is probable or estimable. Currently, we do not expect that the resolution of any currently pending actions, either individually or in the aggregate, will differ materially from our current estimates or have a material adverse effect on our results of operations, financial condition and cash flows. However, the outcome of any legal actions cannot be predicted, and therefore, actual results may differ from those estimates.

### Item 3. Quantitative and Qualitative Disclosures About Market Risk.

#### Investment Return Market Risk

As of September 30, 2014, we had cash and cash equivalents of \$1.6 billion, investments classified as current assets of \$192.0 million, long-term investments of \$214.9 million and restricted investments on deposit for licensure of \$150.6 million. The short-term investments classified as current assets consist of highly liquid securities with maturities between three and twelve months and longer-term bonds with floating interest rates that are considered available for sale. Restricted assets consist of cash and cash equivalents and U.S. Treasury instruments deposited or pledged to state agencies in accordance with state rules and regulations. These restricted assets are classified as long term regardless of the contractual maturity date due to the nature of the states' requirements. The investments classified as long term are subject to interest rate risk and will decrease in value if market rates increase. Because of their contractual maturity dates, however, we would not expect the value of these investments to decline significantly as a result of a sudden change in market interest rates. Assuming a hypothetical and immediate 1% increase in market interest rates at September 30, 2014, the fair value of our fixed income investments would decrease by approximately \$3.7 million. Similarly, a 1% decrease in market interest rates at September 30, 2014 would increase the fair value of our investments by approximately \$4.1 million.

Item 4. Controls and Procedures.

Evaluation of Disclosure Controls and Procedures

Our management carried out an evaluation required by Rule 13a-15 under the Exchange Act, under the leadership and with the participation of our Chief Executive Officer ("CEO") and Chief Financial Officer ("CFO"), of the effectiveness of our disclosure controls and procedures as defined in Rule 13a-15 under the Exchange Act ("Disclosure Controls"). Based on the evaluation, our CEO and CFO concluded that our Disclosure Controls were effective as of the end of the period covered by this 2014 Form 10-Q.

Changes in Internal Control over Financial Reporting

There has not been any change in our internal control over financial reporting (as defined in Rule 13a-15(f) of the Exchange Act) identified in connection with the evaluation required by Rule 13a-15(d) under the Exchange Act during the quarter ended September 30, 2014 that has materially affected, or is reasonably likely to materially affect, our internal control over financial reporting.

## Part II – OTHER INFORMATION

### Item 1. Legal Proceedings.

For information regarding legal proceedings, see Note 11 – Commitments and Contingencies, included in the Condensed Consolidated Financial Statements of this 2014 Form 10-Q.

### Item 1A. Risk Factors.

The following risk factors, together with all of the other information included in this report, should be carefully considered in evaluating our company and our business. If any of the following risks occurs, our business, cash flows, financial condition and results of operations could be materially and adversely affected, and the price of our stock could decline. The risks and uncertainties described below are those that we currently believe may materially affect our company. Additional risks and uncertainties not presently known to us or that we currently deem immaterial also may impair our business, cash flows, financial condition, results of operations or stock price. As such, this list should not be considered a complete statement of all potential risks or uncertainties. The following risk factors update and amend Part I – Item 1A – Risk Factors included in our 2013 Form 10-K.

#### Risks Related to Our Business

Failure to maintain satisfactory quality scores could negatively impact our premium rates, subject us to penalties, limit or reduce our membership, impede our ability to compete for new business in existing or new markets or result in the termination of our contracts, which would have a material adverse effect on our business, rate of growth and results of operations.

Quality scores are used by certain agencies to establish premium rates or, in the case of the Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (“CMS”), to pay bonuses to Medicare Advantage (“MA”) plans that enable high scoring plans to offer enhanced member health benefits which are attractive to members. Plan performance is judged on 11 elements, including quality scores. Plans judged to be low performing for three consecutive years risk contract termination. In 2014, our MA plans in Louisiana and the MA plans of Windsor Health Group, Inc. (“Windsor”) we acquired in January 2014, representing approximately 45,000 members as of September 30, 2014, each received at least one quality score, or “Star Rating”, of 2.5 for at least the third consecutive year. If these Star Ratings do not equal or exceed 3.0 by the 2015 Star Rating release date, these plans may be terminated by CMS as early as plan year 2016. Because we serve a larger percentage of dual eligible members than our competitors, and CMS’ quality measurement system largely does not account for member socio-economic factors, Star Ratings for certain of our plans may not improve sufficiently to meet or exceed a score of 3.0, which may also prevent us from receiving a quality bonus for those plans. In addition, plans with a low performance score participating in state Medicare-Medicaid dual-eligible demonstration programs are ineligible for passive enrollment, which is likely to result in lower market share in those programs.

In certain state Medicaid programs, plans that do not meet applicable quality measures can be required to refund premiums previously received, may not be able to earn quality bonuses, may be required to pay penalties, or may be subject to enrollment limitations, including suspension of auto assignment of members, or termination of the contract. In addition, if the state determines that a health plan has failed to meet the contractual requirements for quality measures, these contracts may be subject to termination, or other remedies, such as liquidated damages, at the discretion of the state. We are unable to predict what actions a state may take, if any, when assessing our contractual performance.

In addition, lower quality scores compared to our competitors may result in negative business development outcomes in new markets, our failing to obtain regulatory approval for acquisitions or expansions, and/or negative marketing outcomes in markets in which we already compete for membership on bases including quality scores. As a result,

lower quality scores compared to our competitors could have a material adverse effect on our business, rate of growth and results of operations.

If we are unable to estimate and manage medical benefits expense effectively, our profitability likely will be reduced or we could become unprofitable.

Our profitability depends, to a significant degree, on our ability to estimate and effectively manage our costs related to the provision of health care services. Relatively small changes in the ratio of our expenses related to health care services to the premiums we receive (the “medical benefits ratio” or “MBR”) can create significant changes in our financial results. Many aspects of the managed care business are not predictable, and estimating medical benefits expense is a continuous process, which depends on the information available to us and our ability to utilize such information. Factors that may cause medical benefits

expense to exceed our estimates include:

- the addition of new members, whether by acquisition, new enrollment, program startup or expansion (including geographic expansion), whose risk profiles are uncertain or unknown and for whom initiatives to manage their care take longer than expected;
- an increase in the cost of health care services and supplies, including pharmaceuticals, whether as a result of the introduction of new products or technologies, inflation or otherwise;
- higher-than-expected utilization of health care services;
- contractual provisions related to continuity of care for new members;
- periodic renegotiation of hospital, physician and other provider contracts;
- the occurrence of catastrophes, major epidemics, terrorism or bio-terrorism;
- changes in the demographics of our members and medical trends affecting them;
- challenges in implementing medical expense cost control initiatives, especially during the first year of a new Medicaid program; and
- new mandated benefits, increased mandated provider reimbursement rates or other changes in health care laws, regulations and/or practices.

The factors and assumptions that are used to develop our estimates of costs, including medical benefits expense, inherently are subject to greater variability when there is more limited experience or information available to us, such as when we commence operations in a new state or region or commence participation in a new program. In many cases, the degree of our ability to accurately estimate medical benefits expense may not be known until we have sufficient experience and more complete information. For example, levels of plan utilization and members' use of medical services, provider claims submissions, our payment processes and other factors can result in identifiable patterns emerging only following the passage of a significant period of time after the occurrence of the underlying causes of deviations from our assumptions. If our medical benefits expense increases and we are unable to manage these medical costs effectively in the future, our profits would likely be reduced or we may not remain profitable, which would also affect our liquidity, cash flows and our ability to comply with statutory requirements.

Most of our revenues are generated by premiums consisting of fixed monthly payments per member and supplemental payments for other services such as maternity deliveries, depending on the type of member in our plans. These payments are fixed by contract and we are obligated during the contract period, which is generally one to five years, to provide or arrange for the provision of health care services as established by states and the federal government. The payments are generally set based on an estimation of the medical costs using actuarial methods based on historical data. Actual experience, however, could differ from the assumptions used in the premium-setting process, which could result in premiums being insufficient to cover our medical benefits expense. For example, in the new Florida MMA program, our claims experience has been running significantly higher than we originally estimated. Because the new Florida MMA program has required its participating plans to have an open drug formulary, it is more difficult for us to manage the pharmaceutical costs. In addition, we have experienced unfavorable development of prior period reserve amounts in three of the four quarters in 2013, and in the first and second quarters of 2014, particularly in our Medicaid Health Plans segment. Our medical benefits expense may exceed our estimates or our regulators' actuarial pricing assumptions and we may be unable to adjust the premiums we receive under our current contracts, which could have a material adverse effect on our results of operations.

Our MA and PDP plans, as well as certain of our Medicaid plans, are subject to a minimum medical loss ratio ("MLR"), which requires health plans to spend not less than a certain percentage of premiums on medical benefits. If a minimum MLR is not met, then we could be required to refund premiums back to the state or CMS, as applicable.

In addition, there are sometimes wide variations in the established rates per member in both our Medicaid and Medicare lines of business. For instance, the rates we receive for a Supplemental Security Income ("SSI") member are generally significantly higher than for a non-SSI member who is otherwise similarly situated. As the composition of our membership base changes as the result of programmatic, competitive, regulatory, benefit design, economic or other changes, there is a corresponding change to our premium revenue, costs and margins, which may have a material adverse effect on our cash flow and results of operations.

Some provider contracts are directly tied to state Medicaid or Medicare fee schedules, which the state or CMS, respectively, may increase without granting a corresponding increase in premiums to us. For example, in connection with Florida's Medicaid reform initiative, the Florida Agency for Health Care Administration ("AHCA") implemented a new payment methodology for covered inpatient services under Florida Medicaid's fee-for-service program. As of July 1, 2013, AHCA is reimbursing providers for such services based on a diagnosis related group ("DRG") schedule. This change impacts the payments we make to our contracted providers whose contracts with us are tied to Florida Medicaid fee-for-service rates. In



addition, we are in the process of transitioning other contracted inpatient service providers in our Florida Medicaid network to this payment methodology. We have experienced similar types of adjustments in other states in which we operate. Unless such adjustments are mitigated by an increase in premiums, or if this were to occur in any more of the states in which we operate, our profitability will be negatively impacted.

Also, in some rural areas, it is difficult to maintain a provider network sufficient to meet regulatory requirements. In situations where we have a deficiency in our provider network, regulators require us to allow members to obtain care from out-of-network providers at no additional cost, which could have a material adverse effect on our ability to manage expenses. In some states, with respect to certain services, the amount that the health plan must pay to out-of-network providers for services provided to our members is defined by law or regulation, but in certain instances it is either not defined or it is established by a standard that is not clearly translatable into dollar terms. Out-of-network providers may believe they are underpaid for their services and may either litigate or arbitrate their dispute with the health plan. The uncertainty of the amount to pay and the possibility of subsequent adjustments of the payment could adversely affect our financial position, results of operations or cash flows.

Although we maintain reinsurance to protect us against certain severe or catastrophic medical claims, we cannot assure that such reinsurance coverage currently is or will be adequate or available to us in the future or that the cost of such reinsurance will not limit our ability to obtain it.

Difficulties in successfully estimating and managing growth may have a material adverse effect on our quality scores, results of operations, financial position and cash flows.

Our membership has grown substantially in the last three years due to acquisitions, geographic expansions and organic growth. This rapid growth has strained our operations, medical management and information technology resources.

We may not be successful in improving our infrastructure to support this growth, and delays in infrastructure improvements may have a material adverse effect on our quality scores, results of operations, financial position and cash flows. In addition, due to the substantial initial costs related to acquisitions and expansions, such growth could adversely impact our short-term profitability and liquidity.

As part of our growth strategy, we identify potential acquisition targets, bid and negotiate acquisition terms, work with regulators to receive regulatory approval for the acquisition and once the transaction is closed, we must integrate the acquisition into our operations. In 2012, we completed two acquisitions, Easy Choice Health Plan, Inc. in California and certain assets of Desert Canyon Community Care in Arizona, and in the first quarter of 2013, we completed our acquisition of UnitedHealth Group Incorporated's South Carolina Medicaid plan and Aetna, Inc.'s Missouri Medicaid plan. In January 2014, we completed our acquisition of Windsor from Munich Health North America, Inc., a part of Munich Re. Through its subsidiaries, Windsor serves Medicare beneficiaries with Medicare Advantage, Prescription Drug Plan and Medicare Supplement products. We are still integrating certain aspects of these acquisitions into our operations.

On June 30, 2014, we acquired certain Medicaid-related assets of Healthfirst Health Plan of New Jersey, Inc. ("Healthfirst NJ"), with the transfer of membership effective as of July 1, 2014. The acquired assets primarily relate to approximately 42,000 Healthfirst NJ Medicaid members who were transferred to our Medicaid plan in New Jersey, as well as certain provider agreements. As a result, effective July 1, 2014, we offer Medicaid managed care in 10 counties in New Jersey.

Once an attractive acquisition target is identified, we may not be successful in bidding against competitors. Other potential acquirers may have greater financial resources or different profitability criteria than we have. Depending on the transaction size, we may not be able to obtain appropriate financing, especially in light of the volatility in the capital markets over the past several years.

Even if we are successful in bidding against competitors, we may not be able to obtain the regulatory approval from federal and state agencies required to complete the acquisition. We may not be able to comply with the regulatory requirements necessary for approval of the acquisition or state regulators may give preference to competing offers made by locally-owned entities, competitors with higher quality scores or not-for-profit entities.

Once acquired, we may have difficulties integrating the businesses within our existing operations, due to: new associates who must become familiar with our operations and corporate culture;

acquired provider networks that operate on different terms than our existing networks and whose contracts may need to be renegotiated;

- existing members who decide to switch to another health care plan;
- disparate administrative and information technology systems; and

difficulties implementing our operations strategy to operate the acquired businesses profitably.

As a result, our acquired businesses may not perform as we anticipated, or in line with our existing businesses. In addition, if the expected future profitability of the acquired business declines, we may need to write down or incur impairment charges of the acquired assets. For example, during the nine months ended September 30, 2014, we have recorded a charge of \$18.0 million to reflect the impairment of certain intangible assets associated with the acquisition of Easy Choice in 2012, and fully impaired the assets we acquired from Desert Canyon Community Care in Arizona, due to our decision to exit the Arizona MA market. In the future, we may incur additional material expenses in connection with the integration and execution of acquisitions, expansions, and other significant transactions. Furthermore, we may incur significant transaction expenses in connection with a potential acquisition or expansion opportunity, which may not be successful. These expenses could impact our selling, general and administrative expense ratio. If we are unable to effectively execute our acquisition strategy or integrate acquired businesses, our future growth may suffer and our profitability may decrease.

Our rate of expansion into other geographic areas may also be inhibited by:

- the time and costs associated with obtaining the necessary licenses and approvals to operate;
- lower quality scores compared to our competitors;
- participation in fewer lines of business compared to our competitors;
- our inability to develop a network of physicians, hospitals and other health care providers that meets our requirements and those of government regulators;
- CMS or state contract provisions regarding quality measures, such as CMS Star Ratings;
- competition, which increases the cost of recruiting members;
- the cost of providing health care services in those areas;
- demographics and population density; and
- applicable state regulations that, among other things, require the maintenance of minimum levels of capital and surplus.

In any program start-up, acquisition, expansion, or re-bid, the implementation of the contract as designed may be affected by factors beyond our control. These include political considerations, network development, contract appeals, incumbency, participation in other lines of business, membership assignment (allocation of members who do not self-select), errors in the bidding process, changes to the program design or implementation timing, difficulties experienced by other private vendors involved in the implementation, such as enrollment brokers, and noncompliance with contractual requirements with which we do not yet have experience and similar risks. As a result, our business, particularly plans for expansion or increased membership levels, could be negatively impacted.

In addition, when making award determinations and evaluating proposed acquisitions and expansions, regulators frequently consider the plan's historical regulatory compliance, litigation and reputation and we are required to disclose material investigations and litigation, including in some cases investigations and litigation that occurred in the past. As a result of the previous federal and state investigations, stockholder and derivative litigation, the restatement during 2009 of our previously issued financial statements and related matters, and the criminal trial of certain of our former executives and employees that concluded in the second quarter of 2013, we have been, and may continue to be, the subject of negative publicity. As a result, continuing negative publicity and other negative perceptions regarding these matters may adversely affect our ability to grow.

Our Medicaid operations are concentrated in a limited number of states. Loss of a material contract, reduced premium rates, or delayed payment of earned premiums may adversely impact our business, financial condition or results of operations.

Our concentration of Medicaid operations in a limited number of states could cause our revenue, profitability or cash flow to change suddenly and unexpectedly as a result of significant premium rate reductions, payment delays, loss of a material contract, legislative actions, changes in Medicaid eligibility methodologies, catastrophic claims, epidemics,

pandemics, unexpected increases in utilization, advances in medical technology and pharmaceutical therapies, difficulties in managing provider costs, general economic conditions and similar factors in those states. Our inability to continue to operate in any of these states, or a significant change in the nature of our existing operations, could adversely affect our business, financial condition, or results of operations. Unfavorable changes in health care or other benefit costs or reimbursement rates or increased competition in these states could therefore have a disproportionately adverse effect on our operating results.

We provide managed care programs and selected services to individuals receiving benefits under federal assistance programs, including Medicare Advantage, Medicaid, and Children's Health Insurance Program ("CHIP"). We provide those

health care services under contracts with regulatory entities in the areas in which we operate. For the year ended December 31, 2013 and the nine months ended September 30, 2014, our Medicaid operations in Florida, Georgia and Kentucky each accounted for greater than 10% of our consolidated premium revenue, net of premium taxes. These customers accounted for contracts that have terms of between one and three years with varying expiration dates. Our Florida Medicaid contracts expire in August 2015; however, we currently anticipate that these will be terminated early in connection with the implementation of the Managed Medical Assistance program (the "MMA program"), which replaces the prior Medicaid program. Our Staywell Health Plan participates in eight out of the state's 11 regions in the MMA program. Regions 2, 3 and 4 launched on May 1, 2014; Regions 5, 6 and 8 launched on June 1, 2014; and Region 11 launched on July 1, 2014. Region 7 launched on August 1, 2014.

Our Medicaid contracts with other states are generally intended to run for one to five years and in some cases may be extended for additional years if the state or other sponsoring agency elects to do so. When our state contracts expire, they may be opened for bidding by competing health care plans. For example, the State of Missouri has issued a request for proposals for its Medicaid program for the period between July 1, 2015 and June 30, 2016, with two possible annual renewal periods. There is no guarantee that our contracts will be renewed or extended or, if renewed or extended, on what terms. Further, our contracts with the states are subject to cancellation by the state after a short notice period in the event of unavailability of state funds. Our contracts could also be terminated if we fail to perform in accordance with the standards set by state regulatory agencies. If any of our contracts are terminated, not renewed or extended, renewed or extended on less favorable terms, or not renewed or extended on a timely basis, or if an increased number of competitors were awarded contracts in these states, our business will suffer, and our financial position, results of operations or cash flows may be materially affected.

State governments generally are experiencing tight budgetary conditions within their Medicaid programs due to difficult macroeconomic conditions and increases in the Medicaid eligible population. As a result, government agencies with which we contract may seek funding alternatives, which may result in reductions in funding for their Medicaid programs. If any state in which we operate were to decrease premiums paid to us for these reasons or any other reason, or pay us less than the amount necessary to keep pace with our cost trends, it could have a material adverse effect on our revenues and results of operations. We have experienced such rate decreases in the past and may do so in the future. Economic conditions affecting state governments and agencies could also result in delays in receiving premium payments. If there is a significant delay in our receipt of premiums to pay health benefit costs, it could have a material adverse effect on our results of operations, cash flows and liquidity.

A significant percentage of our Medicaid plan enrollment results from mandatory enrollment in Medicaid managed care plans. States may mandate that certain types of Medicaid beneficiaries enroll in Medicaid managed care through CMS-approved plan amendments or, for certain groups, through federal waivers or demonstrations. Waivers and programs under demonstrations are generally approved for two- to five-year periods, and can be renewed on an ongoing basis if the state applies and the waiver request is approved or renewed by CMS. We have no control over this renewal process. If a state in which we operate does not mandate managed care enrollment in its state plan or does not renew an existing managed care waiver, our membership would likely decrease, which could have a material adverse effect on our results of operations.

We derive a significant portion of our Medicare revenue from our PDP operations, for which we submit annual bids for participation. The results of our bids could materially reduce our cash flow, liquidity, revenue and profits.

A significant portion of our PDP membership is obtained from the auto-assignment of beneficiaries in CMS-designated regions where our PDP premium bids are below benchmarks of other plans' bids. In general, our premium bids are based on assumptions regarding PDP membership, utilization, drug costs, drug rebates and other factors for each region. Our 2014 Medicare PDP bids were below the benchmarks in 30 of the 33 CMS regions for which we submitted bids. Our 2015 PDP bids resulted in one of our basic plans being below the benchmarks in 13 of the 33 CMS regions for which we submitted bids and within the de minimis range in nine other regions, which resulted from the realignment of our benefit designs and cost structure. We may not be able to submit bids which are below benchmarks of other plans' bids in future years. We expect that our membership will decrease in 2015 compared to 2014 as those PDP members who were auto assigned to us in regions where our 2015 bids are not below or within

the de minimis range will be assigned to other plans. For those regions in which we are within the de minimis range, we will not be eligible to have new members auto-assigned to us, but we will not lose our existing auto-assigned membership. If our future Part D premium bids are not below the CMS benchmarks, we risk losing PDP members who were previously assigned to us and we may not have additional PDP members auto-assigned to us, which could materially reduce our revenue and profits.

In 2014, our segment PDP MBR has been higher than our expectation primarily due to higher utilization of branded and specialty drugs by our new members. We may not be successful in improving our segment MBR in the future, which would materially reduce our profits. For additional risks associated with estimating and managing our MBR, see “If we are unable to

estimate and manage medical benefits expense effectively, our profitability likely will be reduced or we could become unprofitable” above.

Because the estimated costs of providing prescription drugs in our 2014 bids were substantially lower than our actual costs of providing prescription drugs, our funds receivable from CMS is higher than we anticipated. As a result, our unregulated cash and the proceeds from an additional \$300.0 million term loan drawn in September 2014 are being used to fund the costs of providing prescription drugs until the funds receivable from CMS are actually paid to us, which we expect to occur in October 2015. Until such time, our cash flow and liquidity will be adversely affected, perhaps materially.

We may not be able to generate or access sufficient cash to service all of our indebtedness, and may be forced to take other actions to satisfy our obligations under our indebtedness, which may not be successful.

As of September 30, 2014, we had approximately \$900.0 million in aggregate principal amount of total indebtedness outstanding. In addition, our credit agreement provides us with up to an additional \$300.0 million of borrowing ability thereunder. Our ability to make scheduled payments on or to refinance our debt obligations depends on our and our subsidiaries’ financial condition and operating performance, which is subject to prevailing economic and competitive conditions and to certain financial, business, competitive, legislative, regulatory and other factors beyond our control. As a result, we may not be able to maintain a level of cash flows from operating activities, or to access the cash flows of our subsidiaries in an amount sufficient to permit us to pay the principal and interest on our indebtedness, including the notes and the credit agreement. We cannot assure that our business will generate sufficient cash flow from operations, or that financing sources will be available to us in amounts sufficient to enable us to pay our indebtedness, including the notes and the credit agreement, or to fund our other liquidity needs.

In September 2014, we amended and restated our existing credit agreement to provide for an additional \$300.0 million term loan facility, which expires in September 2016, to fund our PDP operations due to a receivable from CMS that has been accumulating during 2014. The PDP receivable from CMS primarily relates to low-income subsidies and catastrophic reinsurance coverage (reinsurance) provided by CMS under the Medicare PDP program. Because our 2014 PDP bids for the estimated costs of providing prescription drugs were substantially lower than our actual costs of providing prescription drugs, our funds receivable from CMS is higher than we anticipated. As a result, our unregulated cash and the proceeds from the term loan facility are being used to fund costs of providing prescription drugs until the funds receivable from CMS are actually paid to us, which we expect will occur in October 2015. Until such time, our cash flow and liquidity will be adversely affected, perhaps materially.

If our cash flows and capital resources are insufficient to fund our debt service obligations, we may be forced to reduce or delay investments and capital expenditures, or to sell assets, seek additional capital or restructure or refinance our indebtedness, including the notes. These alternative measures may not be successful and may not permit us to meet our scheduled debt service obligations. Our ability to restructure or refinance our debt will depend on the condition of the capital markets and our financial condition at such time. Any refinancing of our debt could be at higher interest rates and may require us to comply with more onerous covenants, which could further restrict our business operations. The terms of existing or future debt instruments and the indenture that governs the notes may restrict us from adopting some or all of these alternatives. If we are unable to pay our indebtedness on time, it could result in the acceleration of our indebtedness and materially adversely affect us.

If we commit a material breach of our Corporate Integrity Agreement, we may be excluded from certain programs, resulting in the revocation or termination of contracts and/or licenses potentially having a material adverse effect on our results of operations.

On April 26, 2011, we entered into a Corporate Integrity Agreement (the “Corporate Integrity Agreement”) with the Office of the Inspector General of the Department of Health and Human Services (“OIG-HHS”). The Corporate Integrity Agreement has a term of five years and concludes the previously disclosed matters relating to us under review by OIG-HHS. The Corporate Integrity Agreement requires us to maintain various ethics and compliance

programs that are designed to help ensure our ongoing compliance with federal health care program requirements. The terms of the Corporate Integrity Agreement include certain organizational structure requirements, internal monitoring requirements, compliance training, screening processes for new employees, who we call associates, requirements for reporting to OIG-HHS, and the engagement of an independent review organization to review and prepare written reports regarding, among other things, our reporting practices and bid submissions to federal health care programs. If we fail to comply with the terms of the Corporate Integrity Agreement, we may be required to pay certain monetary penalties. Furthermore, if we commit a material breach of the Corporate Integrity Agreement, OIG-HHS will exclude us from participating in federal health care programs. Any such exclusion would result in the revocation or termination of contracts and/



or licenses and potentially have a material adverse effect on our business and results of operations.

The requirements of the Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act, as amended by the Health Care and Education Reconciliation Act of 2010 (the "Affordable Care Act"), may have a material adverse effect on our results of operations, financial position and cash flows.

We believe the Affordable Care Act will continue to bring about significant changes to the American health care system. These measures are intended to expand the number of United States residents covered by health insurance and make other coverage, delivery, and payment changes to the current health care system. The costs of implementing the Affordable Care Act will be financed, in part, from substantial additional fees and taxes on us and other health insurers, health plans and individuals, as well as reductions in certain levels of payments to us and other health plans under Medicare.

On June 28, 2012, the U.S. Supreme Court upheld the constitutionality of the individual mandate contained in the Affordable Care Act and modified the Medicaid expansion provisions to make the expansion optional for states. Some states have decided not to participate in the Medicaid expansion, and more states may choose not to participate in the future. Congress may also withhold the funding necessary to fully implement the Affordable Care Act, may attempt to replace the legislation with amended provisions or could seek to repeal the law altogether. Certain courts have also recently ruled that premium subsidies cannot be used in a federally facilitated exchange. Given the breadth of possible changes and the uncertainties of interpretation, implementation, and timing of these changes, which we expect to occur over the next several years, the Affordable Care Act could change the way we do business, potentially impacting our pricing, benefit design, product mix, geographic mix, and distribution channels.

Regulations and policies related to the implementation of the Affordable Care Act, the Budget Control Act of 2011, and the Continuing Appropriations Act of 2014, as well as future legislative changes, may have a material adverse effect on our results of operations, financial position, and cash flows by:

- restricting revenue, enrollment and premium growth in certain products and market segments;
- restricting our ability to expand into new markets;
- increasing our medical and administrative costs;
- lowering our Medicare payment rates and/or increasing our expenses associated with the non-deductible federal premium tax and other assessments; and
- encouraging states to contract with organizations that are not subject to the annual premium-based health insurance industry assessment imposed by the Affordable Care Act (the "industry fee") for their Medicaid programs.

In addition, the response of other companies to these policy, regulatory and legislative changes and adjustments to their offerings, if any, could have a meaningful impact in the health care markets.

The Affordable Care Act includes a number of changes that could impact the way MA plans will operate, such as:

**Reduced Medicare Premium Rates.** On April 7, 2014, CMS revised their proposed 2015 rates, which we estimate will result in a rate decrease in the low single digit percentage from our 2014 rates. In addition to the 2% sequestration cut, 2014 benchmark rates resulted in a decrease of between 2.0 to 4.0% and a further risk coding intensity reduction of 4.91% compared to 2013 rates.

**CMS Star Ratings.** Certain provisions in the Affordable Care Act tie MA premiums to the achievement of Star Ratings. From 2012 to 2014, MA plans with an overall Star Rating of three or more stars (out of five) are eligible for a quality bonus in their basic premium rates. Beginning in 2015, only those plans that have a four or higher overall Star Rating will be eligible for the quality bonus. Plans that receive quality bonuses may have a competitive advantage in the Medicare market, as they may be able to offer more attractive benefit packages to members and/or achieve higher profit margins. Also, beginning with open enrollment for the 2014 plan year, Part C or Part D Medicare plans with Star Ratings of less than three stars for three consecutive years are excluded from mention in the CMS "Medicare and You" handbook, denoted as "low performing" plans on the CMS website, and excluded from on-line enrollment through the Medicare Plan Finder website. These actions may adversely impact these plans' ability to maintain or increase membership. In April 2014, CMS stated that it would terminate those MA contracts that scored

either a Part C or Part D star rating of less than three stars in each of the most recent three consecutive rating periods. Stand-alone PDP sponsor contracts would have been terminated if those contracts scored less than three stars in each of the most recent three consecutive rating periods. In September 2014, CMS announced that it would not terminate the MA and PDP contracts for plans rated below three stars for three consecutive years for the plan year 2015. However, CMS could still exercise its authority and

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terminate those plans for the plan year 2016. Our MA plans in Louisiana and our Windsor MA plans, representing approximately 45,000 members as of September 30, 2014, could be terminated effective December 31, 2015 if their Part C and Part D star ratings are not at least three stars for the plan year 2016. While we are continuing efforts to improve our Star Ratings and other quality measures, there is no guarantee that we will be able to maintain or improve our Star Ratings.

**Minimum MLRs.** Beginning in 2014, the Affordable Care Act requires the establishment of a MLR for MA plans and Part D plans, requiring them to spend not less than 85% of premiums on medical benefits. The rules implementing the minimum MLR impose financial and other penalties for failing to achieve the minimum MLR, including requirements to refund to CMS shortfalls in amounts spent on medical benefits and termination of a plan's MA contract for prolonged failure to achieve the minimum MLR. MLR is determined by adding a plan's spending for clinical services, prescription drugs and other direct patient benefits, plus its total spending on quality improvement activities and dividing the total by earned premiums (after subtracting specific identified taxes and other fees). We do not expect these provisions to have a material impact to our results of operations in 2014.

Under the Affordable Care Act, over a 10-year period beginning in 2010, the "coverage gap" (i.e., the dollar threshold at which an individual has to pay full price for his or her medications) under Part D has been gradually closing, with beneficiaries retaining a 25% co-pay in 2020. While this change will ultimately result in increased insurance coverage for beneficiaries, such improved benefits could result in changes in member behavior with respect to drug utilization. Such actions could impact the cost structure of our Part D programs.

The Affordable Care Act imposes certain new taxes and fees, including limitations on the amount of compensation that is tax deductible, as well as the industry fee on health insurers beginning in 2014. The total industry fee levied on the health insurance industry is \$8 billion in 2014, with increasing annual amounts thereafter and growing to \$14.3 billion by 2018. After 2018, the industry fee increases according to an index based on net premium growth. The assessment is being levied on certain health insurers that provide insurance in the assessment year, and is allocated to health insurers based on each health insurer's share of net premiums for all U.S health insurers in the year preceding the assessment. The industry fee is not deductible for income tax purposes, which has significantly increased our effective income tax rate. We paid our total \$137.7 million obligation for such fees in September 2014. We currently expect to be reimbursed by all our Medicaid state customers for the impact of the fee with respect to all our Medicaid plans, including state and federal income tax gross-ups. MA and PDP premiums will not be adjusted to offset the impact of the ACA industry fee.

The health reforms in the Affordable Care Act allow, but do not require, states to expand eligibility for Medicaid programs. However, state budgets continue to be strained due to economic conditions and uncertain levels of federal financing for current populations. As a result, the effects of any potential future expansions are uncertain, making it difficult to determine whether the net impact of the Affordable Care Act will be positive or negative for our Medicaid business.

Future changes in health care law present challenges for our business that could have a material adverse effect on our results of operations and cash flows.

Future changes in, or interpretations to, existing health care laws or regulations, or the enactment of new laws or the issuance of new regulations could materially reduce our revenue and/or profitability by, among other things:

- imposing additional license, registration and/or capital requirements;
- increasing our administrative and other costs;
- requiring us to change our operating structure;
- requiring significant additional reporting and technological capabilities;
- imposing additional fees and taxes, which cannot be offset by increased premium revenue;
- increasing mandated benefits;
- further limiting our ability to engage in intra-company transactions with our affiliates and subsidiaries;
- restricting our revenue and enrollment growth;

- requiring us to restructure our relationships with providers; and
- requiring us to implement additional or different programs and systems.

Requirements relating to increased plan information disclosure, expedited appeals and grievance procedures, third party review of certain medical decisions, health plan liability, access to specialists, “clean claim” (claims for which no additional information is needed) payment methodologies and timing, utilization of mail order pharmacy, administrative simplification, mandatory network inclusion of certain providers, mandated increases in provider reimbursement rates, physician collective

bargaining rights and confidentiality of medical records either have been enacted or are under consideration. Changes in state law, regulations and rules also may have a material adverse impact our results of operations and cash flows. The Affordable Care Act ends funding for CHIP as of December 31, 2015 and the Special Needs Program has only been authorized through December 31, 2016. If these programs are not funded, renewed or extended, it could have a material adverse impact on our revenues, cash flow, membership and profitability.

We rely on a number of third parties, and failure of any one of the third parties to perform in accordance with our contracts could have a material adverse effect on our business and results of operations.

Our care and service delivery model is designed to optimize our use of our personnel as an alternative to third parties based on an evaluation of factors, including cost, compliance, quality and procurement success. As a result, we have contracted with a number of third parties to provide significant operational support including, but not limited to, pharmacy benefit management for our members as well as certain enrollment, billing, call center, benefit administration, claims processing functions, sales and marketing and certain aspects of utilization management. We have limited ability to control the performance of these third parties. If a third party provides services that we are required to provide under a contract with a government client, we are responsible for such performance and will be held accountable by the government client for any failure of performance by our vendors. Significant failure by a third party to perform in accordance with the terms of our contracts could subject us to fines or other sanctions or otherwise have a material adverse effect on our business and results of operations. In addition, upon termination of a third party contract, we may encounter difficulties in replacing the third party on favorable terms, or in assuming those responsibilities ourselves, which may have a material adverse effect on our business, quality scores and results of operations. Further, we rely on state-operated systems and sub-contractors to qualify and assign eligible members into our health plan. Ineffectiveness of these state operations and sub-contractors can have a material adverse effect on our enrollment.

Our encounter data may be inaccurate or incomplete, which could have a material adverse effect on our results of operations, cash flows and ability to bid for, and continue to participate in, certain programs.

Our contracts require the submission of complete and correct encounter data. The accurate and timely reporting of encounter data is increasingly important to the success of our programs because more states are using encounter data to determine compliance with performance standards and, in part, to set premium rates. We have expended and may continue to expend additional effort and incur significant additional costs to collect or correct inaccurate or incomplete encounter data and have been and could be exposed to operating sanctions and financial fines and penalties for noncompliance. In some instances, our government clients have established retroactive requirements for the encounter data we must submit. There also may be periods of time in which we are unable to meet existing requirements. In either case, it may be prohibitively expensive or impossible for us to collect or reconstruct this historical data.

We have experienced challenges in obtaining complete and accurate encounter data, due to difficulties with providers and third-party vendors submitting claims in a timely fashion in the proper format, and with state agencies in coordinating such submissions. As states increase their reliance on encounter data, these difficulties could affect the premium rates we receive and how membership is assigned to us, which could have a material adverse effect on our results of operations, cash flows and our ability to bid for, and continue to participate in, certain programs.

We may be unable to offset the reductions in premium revenue of our MA and our PDP plans due to sequestration and the effect on our results of operations may be material.

Pursuant to the sequestration provisions of the Budget Control Act of 2011, approximately \$1.2 trillion in domestic and defense spending reductions began in March 2013. A 2% rate reduction to the Medicare program began on April 1, 2013, which decreased our premium revenue for our MA and PDP segments. The Continuing Appropriations Act of 2014 continued these spending reductions and extended sequestration on the Medicare program for an additional two years through 2023. We may be unable to offset this reduction in premium revenue, and the effect on our results of operations may be material.

We encounter significant competition for program participation, members, network providers, key personnel and sales personnel and our failure to compete successfully may limit our ability to increase or maintain membership in the markets we serve, or have a material adverse effect on our business, growth prospects and results of operations.

We operate in a highly competitive industry. Some of our competitors are more established in the insurance and health care industries, with larger market share, greater financial resources and better quality scores than we have in some markets. We operate in, and may attempt to acquire business in, programs or markets in which premiums are determined on the basis of a competitive bidding process. In these programs or markets, funding levels established by bidders with significantly different cost

structures, target profitability margins or aggressive bidding strategies could negatively impact our ability to maintain or acquire profitable businesses, which could have a material adverse effect on our results of operations.

We have chosen not to participate in the health insurance exchange products during 2014 and we expect to only participate in the exchanges in Kentucky and New York in 2015. As a result, individuals who select an exchange product in our other states, and subsequently become eligible for a Medicaid plan that we offer, may be less likely to select or be assigned to us.

Regulatory reform or other initiatives may bring additional competitors into our markets. Regulators may prefer companies that operate in lines of business, in which we may not operate, when we bid on new business or renewals of existing business, which may cause our bid or renewal to be unsuccessful.

We compete for members principally on the basis of size and quality of provider network, benefits provided and quality of service. We may not be able to develop innovative products and services, which are attractive to members.

We cannot be sure that we will continue to remain competitive, nor can we be sure that we will be able to successfully retain or acquire members for our products and services at current levels of profitability.

In addition, we compete with other health plans to contract with hospitals, physicians, pharmacies and other providers for inclusion in our networks that serve government program beneficiaries. We believe providers select plans in which they participate based on several criteria including reimbursement rates, timeliness and accuracy of claims payment, potential to deliver new patient volume and/or retain existing patients, effectiveness of resolution of calls and complaints and other factors. We cannot be sure that we will be able to successfully attract or retain providers under acceptable contract terms to maintain a competitive network in the geographic areas we serve.

We may not be able to attract or retain qualified management, clinical and commercial personnel in the future due to the intense competition for qualified personnel in the managed care and health care industry and other businesses. If we are not able to attract and retain necessary personnel to accomplish our business objectives, we may experience constraints that will significantly impede the achievement of our objectives, our ability to raise additional capital and our ability to implement our business strategy. In particular, if we lose any members of our senior management team, we may not be able to find suitable replacements, and our business may be harmed as a result. In addition, we have in the past and may in the future modify our senior management structure, which could impact our retention of employees and management.

Our MA plans are sold primarily through our sales personnel, who frequently work with independent brokers, consultants and agents who assist in the production and servicing of business. The independent brokers, consultants and agents generally are not dedicated to us exclusively and may also recommend and/or market health care benefits products of our competitors, and we must compete intensely for their services and allegiance. Our sales could be adversely affected if we are unable to attract or retain sales personnel and third-party brokers, consultants and agents or if we do not adequately provide support, training and education to this sales network regarding our product portfolio, which is complex, or if our sales strategy is not appropriately aligned across distribution channels.

To the extent that competition intensifies in any market that we serve, our ability to retain or increase members and providers, maintain or increase our revenue growth, and control medical cost trends, and/or our pricing flexibility, may be adversely affected. Failure to compete successfully in the markets we serve may have a material adverse effect on our business, growth prospects and results of operations.

Risk-adjustment payment systems make our revenue and results of operations more difficult to estimate and could result in material retroactive adjustments that have a material adverse effect on our results of operations, financial position and cash flows.

Most of our government customers employ risk-adjustment models to determine the premium amount they pay for each member. This model pays more for members with predictably higher costs according to the health status of each beneficiary enrolled. Premium payments are generally established at fixed intervals according to the contract terms, and then adjusted on a retroactive basis. We reassess the estimates of the risk adjustment settlements each reporting period and any resulting adjustments are made to premium revenue. In addition, revisions to the risk-adjustment models have reduced, and may continue to reduce, our premium revenue.

As a result of the variability of certain factors that determine estimates for risk-adjusted premiums, including plan risk scores, the actual amount of retroactive payments could be materially more or less than our estimates. Consequently, our estimate of our plans' risk scores for any period, and any resulting change in our accrual of premium revenues related thereto, could have a material adverse effect on our results of operations, financial position and cash flows. The data provided to our government customers to determine the risk score are subject to audit by them even after the annual settlements occur. These



audits may result in the refund of premiums to the government customer previously received by us, which could be significant and would reduce our premium revenue in the year that repayment is required.

Government customers have performed and continue to perform audits of selected plans to validate the provider coding practices under the risk adjustment model used to calculate the premium paid for each member. Our Florida and Arizona MA plans have been selected by CMS for audits of the 2011 contract year and we anticipate that CMS will conduct audits of other contracts and contract years on an on-going basis. An audit may result in the refund of premiums to CMS. It is likely that a payment adjustment could occur as a result of these audits, and that any such adjustment could have a material adverse effect on our results of operations, financial position, and cash flows. Recent changes in our senior management may cause uncertainty in, or be disruptive to, our business, results of operations, financial condition and the market price of our common stock.

We have recently experienced significant changes in our senior management, workforce and operations. In September and October 2013, we terminated, without cause, the employment of Alec Cunningham, the Chief Executive Officer, Walter Cooper, the Chief Administrative Officer, and Dan Paquin, President National Health Plans. On October 31, 2013, David Gallitano, our Chairman of the Board, was named our Chief Executive Officer on an interim basis. We have retained an executive search firm to identify a new Chief Executive Officer. The Board currently expects to complete a transition of the Chief Executive Officer no later than the end of 2015. In November 2014, we anticipate that Drew Asher, our Senior Vice President, will replace Tom Tran as our Chief Financial Officer. In February 2014, Rose Hauser joined us as our Chief Information Officer. In January 2014, Kenneth Burdick joined us as our President, National Health Plans and was promoted to President and Chief Operating Officer in June 2014. In September 2013, Michael Polen was promoted to a newly created position of Senior Vice President, Operations. In November 2013, Blair Todt, former Senior Vice President and Chief Compliance Officer, assumed the newly created position of Senior Vice President, Chief Strategy and Development Officer, while Cyndi Baily, former Vice President, Assistant General Counsel, assumed Mr. Todt's former position of Senior Vice President and Chief Compliance Officer. In April 2014, Michael Yount, former Chief Privacy Officer, assumed the position of Senior Vice President and Chief Compliance Officer, and Ms. Baily left the Company. These changes in our senior management may be disruptive to our business and, during the transition period, there may be uncertainty among investors, employees and others concerning our future direction and performance. Any such disruption or uncertainty could have a material adverse impact on our results of operations and financial condition and the market price of our common stock. Additionally, we may not be able to fully realize the expected cost savings or improved operational efficiency.

We are subject to extensive government regulation and risk of litigation, and any actual or alleged violation by us of the terms of our contracts, applicable laws or regulations could have a material adverse effect on our results of operations.

Our business is extensively regulated by the federal government and the states in which we operate. The laws and regulations governing our operations are generally intended to benefit and protect health plan members and providers rather than stockholders and creditors. The government agencies administering these laws and regulations have broad latitude to enforce them. These laws and regulations, along with the terms of our government contracts, regulate how we do business, what services we offer, and how we interact with our members, providers and the public. Any actual or alleged violation by us of applicable laws or regulations could reduce our revenues and profitability, thereby having a material adverse effect on our results of operations.

We face a significant risk of class action lawsuits and other litigation and regulatory investigations and actions in the ordinary course of operating our businesses. The following are examples of types of potential litigation and regulatory investigations we face:

- claims by government agencies relating to compliance with laws and regulations;
- claims relating to sales practices;
- claims relating to the methodologies for calculating premiums;

- claims relating to the denial or delay of health care benefit payments;
- claims relating to claims payments and procedures;
- claims relating to provider marketing;
- claims by providers for network termination or exclusion;
- anti-kickback claims;
- medical malpractice or negligence actions based on our medical necessity decisions or brought against us on the theory that we are liable for our providers' malpractice or negligence;
- allegations of anti-competitive and unfair business activities;
- provider disputes over compensation and termination of provider contracts or defamation claims ;

- allegations of discrimination;
- allegations of breaches of duties;
- claims relating to inadequate or incorrect disclosure or accounting in our public filings and other statements;
- allegations of agent misconduct;
- claims related to deceptive trade practices; and
- claims relating to audits and contract performance.

As we contract with various governmental agencies to provide managed health care services, we are subject to various reviews, audits and investigations to verify our compliance with the contracts and applicable laws and regulations.

Any adverse review, audit, investigation or result from litigation could result in:

- loss of our right to participate in government-sponsored programs, including Medicaid and Medicare;
- forfeiture or recoupment of amounts we have been paid pursuant to our government contracts;
- imposition of significant civil or criminal penalties, fines or other sanctions on us and/or our key associates;
- reduction or limitation of our membership;
- damage to our reputation in various markets;
- increased difficulty in marketing our products and services;
- inability to obtain approval for future acquisitions or service or geographic expansion;
- suspension or loss of one or more of our licenses to act as an insurer, HMO or third party administrator or to otherwise provide a service; and
- an event of default under our debt agreements.

In particular, because we receive payments from federal and state governmental agencies, we are subject to various laws commonly referred to as “fraud and abuse” laws, including the federal False Claims Act, which permit agencies and enforcement authorities to institute suit against us for violations and, in some cases, to seek treble damages, penalties and assessments. Many states, including states where we currently operate, have enacted parallel legislation. Liability under such federal and state statutes and regulations may arise if we know, or it is found that we should have known, that information we provide to form the basis for a claim for government payment is false or fraudulent. Some courts have permitted False Claims Act suits to proceed if the claimant was out of compliance with program requirements. Liability for such matters could have a material adverse effect on our financial position, results of operations and cash flows. Qui tam actions under federal and state law can be brought by any individual on behalf of the government. Qui tam actions have increased significantly in recent years, causing greater numbers of health care companies to defend false claim actions, pay fines or be excluded from Medicare, Medicaid or other state or federal health care programs as a result of investigations arising out of such actions.

For example, in October 2008, the Civil Division of the United States Department of Justice (the “Civil Division”) informed us that as part of its civil inquiry, it was investigating four qui tam complaints filed by relators against us under the whistleblower provisions of the False Claims Act. We also learned from a docket search that a former employee filed a qui tam action in state court for Leon County, Florida against several defendants, including us and one of our subsidiaries. With respect to these actions, we reached a settlement with the Civil Division, the Civil Division of the United States Attorney’s Office for the Middle District of Florida, and the Civil Division of the United States Attorney’s Office for the District of Connecticut. However, other qui tam actions may have been filed against us of which we are presently unaware, or other qui tam actions may be filed against us in the future.

We are currently undergoing standard periodic audits by several state agencies and CMS to verify compliance with our contracts and applicable laws and regulations. For additional risks associated with these audits, see “Risk-adjustment payment systems make our revenue and results of operations more difficult to estimate and could result in material retroactive adjustments that have a material adverse effect on our results of operations, financial position and cash flows” above.

In addition, there have been a number of investigations regarding the marketing practices of brokers and agents selling health care and other insurance products and the payments they receive. These have resulted in enforcement actions against companies in our industry and brokers and agents marketing and selling those companies’ products. For

example, CMS and state departments of insurance have increased their scrutiny of the marketing practices of brokers and agents who market Medicare products. These investigations and enforcement actions could result in penalties and the imposition of corrective action plans and/or changes to industry practices, which could adversely affect our ability to market our products.

We rely on the accuracy of eligibility lists provided by our government clients to collect premiums, and any inaccuracies in those lists may cause states to recoup premium payments from us, which could materially reduce our revenues and results of operations.

Premium payments that we receive are based upon eligibility lists produced by our government clients. A state will require us to reimburse it for premiums that we received from the state based on an eligibility list that it later discovers contains individuals who were not eligible for any government-sponsored program, have been enrolled twice in the same program, have secondary insurance or are eligible for a different premium category, or a different program. Our review of remittance files may not identify all member eligibility errors and could result in repayment of premiums in years subsequent to the year in which the revenue was recorded. We have established a reserve in anticipation of recoupment by the states of previously paid premiums that we believe to be erroneous, but ultimately our reserve may not be sufficient to cover the amount, if any, of recoupments. If the amount of any recoupment exceeds our reserves, our revenues could be materially reduced and it could have a material adverse effect on our results of operations. In addition to recoupment of premiums previously paid, we also face the risk that a state could fail to pay us for members for whom we are entitled to payment. Our results of operations would be reduced as a result of the state's failure to pay us for related payments we made to providers and were unable to recoup.

If we are unable to access sufficient capital, whether as a result of difficulties finding acceptable public or private financing, restrictions due to our credit agreement, our senior notes due 2020 (the "notes"), restrictions on dividend payments from our subsidiaries, or higher statutory capital levels, we may be unable to grow or maintain our business, which could have a material adverse effect on our results of operations, cash flows and financial condition.

Our business strategy has been defined by three primary initiatives, one of which includes our ability to enter new markets by pursuing attractive growth opportunities for our existing product lines. We may need to access the debt or equity markets and receive dividends from our subsidiaries to fund these growth activities.

Our ability to enter new markets may be hindered in situations where financing may not be available on terms that are favorable to us, or at all. Financing may only be available to us with unfavorable terms such as high rates of interest, restrictive covenants and other restrictions that could impede our ability to profitably operate our business and increase the expected rate of return we require to enter new markets, making such efforts unfeasible.

Our credit agreement and notes have restrictions on our ability to secure additional capital. Our substantial indebtedness and restrictive covenants:

- limit our ability to borrow additional funds for working capital, capital expenditures, acquisitions and general corporate or other purposes; and
- expose us to greater interest rate risk since the interest rate on borrowings under our credit agreement is variable.

Our debt service obligations require us to use a portion of our operating cash flow to pay interest and principal on indebtedness instead of for other corporate purposes, including funding future expansion of our business and ongoing capital expenditures, which could impede our growth. If our operating cash flow and capital resources are insufficient to comply with the financial covenants in the credit agreement or to service our debt obligations, we may be forced to sell assets, seek additional equity or debt financing or restructure our debt, which could harm our long-term business prospects.

Our credit agreement and notes contain various restrictions and covenants that restrict our financial and operating flexibility, including our ability to grow our business or declare dividends without lender approval. If we fail to pay any of our indebtedness when due, or if we breach any of the other covenants in the instruments governing our indebtedness, one or more events of default may be triggered. If we are unable to obtain a waiver, these events of default could permit our creditors to declare all amounts owed to be immediately due and payable.

In addition, in most states, we are required to seek the prior approval of state regulatory authorities to transfer money or pay dividends from our regulated subsidiaries in excess of specified amounts or, in some states, any amount. If our

state regulators do not approve payments of dividends and/or distributions by certain of our regulated subsidiaries to us or our non-regulated subsidiaries, our liquidity, unregulated cash flows, business and financial condition may be materially adversely affected.

Our licensed HMO and insurance subsidiaries are subject to state regulations that, among other things, require the maintenance of minimum levels of statutory capital and maintenance of certain financial ratios, as defined by each state. One or more of these states may raise the statutory capital level from time to time, which could have a material adverse effect on our cash flows and liquidity.

Our subsidiaries also may be required to maintain higher levels of statutory capital due to the adoption of risk-based capital

requirements by other states in which we operate. Our subsidiaries are subject to their state regulators' general oversight powers. Regardless of whether a state adopts the risk-based capital requirements, the state's regulators can require our subsidiaries to maintain minimum levels of statutory net worth in excess of amounts required under the applicable state laws if they determine that maintaining such additional statutory net worth is in the best interests of our members and other constituents. For example, if premium rates are inadequate, reduced profits or losses in our regulated subsidiaries may cause regulators to increase the amount of capital required. Any additional capital contribution made to one or more of the affected subsidiaries could have a material adverse effect on our liquidity, cash flows and growth potential. In addition, increases of statutory capital requirements could cause us to withdraw from certain programs or markets where it becomes economically difficult to continue operating profitably.

Our indemnification obligations and the limitations of our director and officer liability insurance may have a material adverse effect on our financial condition, results of operations and cash flows.

Under Delaware law, our charter and bylaws and certain indemnification agreements to which we are a party, we have an obligation to indemnify, or we have otherwise agreed to indemnify, certain of our current and former directors, officers and associates with respect to current and future investigations and litigation. In connection with some of these pending matters, including the recent criminal trial of certain of our former executives and associates, we are required to, or we have otherwise agreed to, advance, and have advanced, significant legal fees and related expenses and expect to continue to do so while these matters are pending. We have exhausted our insurance for the expenses associated with the criminal trial of our former executive officers and associates, and the related government investigations that commenced in 2007, and expenses incurred by us for these matters will not be further reimbursed. We currently maintain insurance in the amount of \$125.0 million which provides coverage for our independent directors and officers hired after January 24, 2008 for certain potential matters to the extent they occur after October 2007. We cannot provide any assurances that pending claims, or claims yet to arise, will not exceed the limits of our insurance policies, that such claims are covered by the terms of our insurance policies or that our insurance carrier will be able to cover our claims.

We are exposed to fluctuations in the securities and debt markets, which could impact our investment portfolio.

Our investment portfolio represents a significant portion of our assets and is subject to general credit, liquidity, market and interest rate risks. Market fluctuations in the securities and credit markets could impact the value or liquidity of our investment portfolio and adversely impact interest income. As a result, we may experience a reduction in value or loss of liquidity which may materially impact our results of operations, liquidity and financial condition.

#### Risks Related to Information Technology

If we are unable to maintain effective and secure management information systems and applications, successfully update or expand processing capability or develop new capabilities to meet our business needs we could experience operational disruptions and other materially adverse consequences to our business and results of operations.

Our business depends on effective and secure information systems, applications and operations. The information gathered, processed and stored by our management information systems assists us in, among other things, marketing and sales and membership tracking, billing, claims processing, medical management, medical care cost and utilization trending, financial and management accounting, reporting, and planning and analysis. These systems also support our customer service functions, provider and member administrative functions and support tracking and extensive analysis of medical expenses and outcome data. These systems remain subject to unexpected interruptions resulting from occurrences such as hardware failures or increased demand. There can be no assurance that such interruptions will not occur in the future, and any such interruptions could have a material adverse effect on our business and results of operations. Moreover, operating and other issues can lead to data problems that affect the performance of important functions, including, but not limited to, claims payment, customer service and financial reporting.

There can also be no assurance that our process of improving existing systems, developing new systems to support our operations, complying with contractual data requirements and improving service levels will not be delayed or that system issues will not arise in the future. Our information systems and applications require continual maintenance, upgrading and enhancement to meet our operational needs. If we are unable to maintain or expand our systems, we could suffer from, among other things, operational disruptions, such as the inability to pay claims or to make claims payments on a timely basis, loss of members, difficulty in attracting new members, regulatory problems, difficulty in improving quality and increases in administrative expenses.

Additionally, events outside our control, including terrorism or acts of nature such as hurricanes, earthquakes, or fires, could

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significantly impair our information systems, applications and critical business functions. To help ensure continued operations in the event that our primary operations are rendered inoperable, we have a disaster recovery plan to recover critical business functionality within stated timelines. Our plan may not operate effectively during an actual disaster and our operations and critical business functions could be disrupted, which would have a material adverse effect on business and our results of operations.

Our costs to comply with laws governing the transmission, security and privacy of health information could be significant, and any disruptions or security breaches in our information technology systems could have a material adverse effect on our business, cash flows, operating results or financial condition.

Our business requires the secure transmission of confidential information over public networks. Advances in computer capabilities, new discoveries in the field of cryptography or other events or developments could result in compromises or breaches of our security systems and client data stored in our information systems. Anyone who circumvents our security measures could misappropriate our confidential information or cause interruptions in services or operations. The Internet is a public network, and data is sent over this network from many sources. In the past, computer viruses or software programs that disable or impair computers have been distributed and have rapidly spread over the Internet. Computer viruses could be introduced into our systems, or those of our providers or regulators, which could disrupt our operations, or make our systems inaccessible to our providers or regulators. We may be required to expend significant capital and other resources to protect against the threat of security breaches or to alleviate problems caused by breaches.

Failure to keep our computer networks, information technology systems, computers and programs and our members' and customers' sensitive information secure from attack, damage or unauthorized access, whether as a result of our action or inaction or that of one of our business associates or other vendors, could adversely affect our reputation, membership and revenues and also expose us to mandatory disclosure to the media, contract termination, litigation (including class action litigation), and other enforcement proceedings, material fines, penalties and/or remediation costs, and compensatory, special, punitive and statutory damages, consent orders, adverse actions against our licenses to do business and/or injunctive relief, any of which could adversely affect our business, cash flows, operating results or financial condition.

Our measures to prevent security breaches may not be successful. As we expand our business, including through acquisitions and organic growth, increase the amount of information we make available to members and consumers on mobile devices and expand our use of social media, our exposure to these data security and related cybersecurity risks, including the risk of undetected attacks, damage or unauthorized access, increases, and the cost of attempting to protect against these risks also increases.

The Health Information Technology for Economic and Clinical Health Act (the "HITECH Act"), one part of the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009 ("ARRA"), modified certain provisions of the Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act ("HIPAA") by, among other things, extending the privacy and security provisions to business associates, mandating new regulations around electronic health records, expanding enforcement mechanisms, and increasing penalties for violations. Civil penalties for HIPAA violations by covered entities are up to an annual maximum of \$1.5 million for uncorrected violations based on willful neglect. HHS is required to conduct periodic audits to confirm compliance. Investigations of violations that indicate willful neglect, for which penalties became mandatory in February 2011, are statutorily required. In addition, state attorneys general are authorized to bring civil actions seeking either injunctions or damages in response to violations of HIPAA privacy and security regulations that threaten the privacy of state residents.

In addition, the HITECH Act requires us to notify affected individuals, HHS, and in some cases the media when unsecured personal health information is subject to a security breach.

The HITECH Act also contains a number of provisions that provide incentives for states to initiate certain programs related to health care and health care technology, such as electronic health records. While provisions such as these do not apply to us directly, states wishing to apply for grants under the HITECH Act, or otherwise participating in such programs, may impose new health care technology requirements on us through our contracts with state Medicaid agencies. We are unable to predict what such requirements may entail or what their effect on our business may be.

On January 25, 2013, HHS, as required by the HITECH Act, issued the Final Omnibus Rules that provide final modifications to HIPAA rules to implement the HITECH Act. The various requirements of the HITECH Act have different compliance dates, some of which have passed and some of which will occur in the future. We will continue to assess our compliance obligations as regulations under HIPAA as modified by the HITECH Act continue to become effective and more guidance becomes available from HHS and other federal agencies. The evolving privacy and security requirements, however, may require substantial operational and systems changes, associate education and resources and there is no guarantee that we

will be able to implement them adequately or prior to their effective date. Given HIPAA's complexity and the evolving regulations, which may be subject to changing and perhaps conflicting interpretation, our ongoing ability to comply with all of the HIPAA requirements is uncertain, which may expose us to the criminal and increased civil penalties provided under the HITECH Act and may require us to incur significant costs in order to seek to comply with its requirements.

Our business could be adversely impacted by adoption of the new ICD-10 standardized coding set for diagnoses.

HHS has released rules pursuant to HIPAA which mandate the use of standard formats in electronic health care transactions. HHS also has published rules requiring the use of standardized code sets and unique identifiers for providers. By October 1, 2015, the federal government will require that health care organizations, including health insurers, upgrade to updated and expanded standardized code sets used for documenting health conditions. These new standardized code sets, known as ICD-10, will require substantial investments from health care organizations, including us. While use of the ICD-10 code sets will require significant administrative changes, the cost of compliance with these regulations has not had and we do not expect it to have a material adverse effect on our cash flows, financial position or results of operations. However, these changes may result in errors and otherwise negatively impact our service levels, and we may experience complications related to supporting customers that are not fully compliant with the revised requirements as of the applicable compliance date. Furthermore, if physicians fail to provide appropriate codes for services provided as a result of the new coding set, we may not be reimbursed, or adequately reimbursed, for such services.

#### Risks Related to Ownership of Our Stock

We are subject to laws, government regulations and agreements that may delay, deter or prevent a change in control of our Company, which could have a material adverse effect on our ability to enter into transactions favorable to stockholders.

Our operating subsidiaries are subject to state laws that require prior regulatory approval for any change of control of an HMO or insurance company. For purposes of these laws, in most states "control" is presumed to exist when a person, group of persons or entity acquires the power to vote 10% or more of the voting securities of another entity, subject to certain exceptions. These laws may discourage acquisition proposals and may delay, deter or prevent a change of control of our Company, including through transactions, and in particular through unsolicited transactions, which could have a material adverse effect on our ability to enter into transactions that some or all of our stockholders find favorable.

In addition, in our settlement with the Civil Division, we agreed to pay \$35.0 million in the event that we are acquired or otherwise experience a change in control on or before April 30, 2015, provided the transaction meets certain criteria specified in the settlement agreement.

Our stock price and trading volume may be volatile and future sales of our common stock could adversely affect the trading price of our common stock.

From time to time, the price and trading volume of our common stock, as well as the stock of other companies in the health care industry, may experience periods of significant volatility. Company-specific issues and developments generally in the health care industry (including the regulatory environment) and the capital markets and the economy in general may cause this volatility. Our stock price and trading volume may fluctuate in response to a number of events and factors, including:

- variations in our operating results;
- changes in our or the market's expectations about our future operating results;
- changes in financial estimates and recommendations by securities analysts concerning our Company or the health care industry generally;
- operating and stock price performance of other companies that investors may deem comparable;
- news reports relating to trends in our markets;

- changes or proposed changes in the laws, regulations and policies affecting our business;
- acquisitions and financings by us or others in our industry;
- changes in our senior management;
- sales of substantial amounts of our common stock by our directors and executive officers or principal stockholders, or the perception that such sales could occur; and
- the risks described in “Risks Related to Our Business” above.

We may issue equity securities in the future, including securities that are convertible into or exchangeable for, or that represent the right to receive, common stock. We have an effective shelf registration statement on Form S-3 filed with the SEC under which we may offer from time to time an indeterminate amount of any combination of debt securities, common and

preferred stock and warrants. The registration statement allows us to seek additional financing, subject to the SEC's rules and regulations relating to eligibility to use Form S-3. Debt financing, if available, may involve restrictive covenants.

The issuance of additional shares of our common stock or other equity securities, including sales of shares in connection with any future acquisitions, could be substantially dilutive to our stockholders. These sales may have a harmful effect on prevailing market prices for our common stock and our ability to raise additional capital in the financial markets at a time and price favorable to us. Holders of shares of our common stock have no preemptive rights that entitle them to purchase a pro rata share of any offering of shares of any class or series and, therefore, such sales or offerings could result in increased dilution to our stockholders. Our certificate of incorporation provides that we have authority to issue 100,000,000 shares of common stock and 20,000,000 shares of preferred stock.

## Item 2. Unregistered Sales of Equity Securities and Use of Proceeds.

### Recent Sales of Unregistered Securities

None.

### Issuer Purchases of Equity Securities

None.

### Dividends

We have never paid cash dividends on our common stock. We currently intend to retain any future earnings to fund our business, and we do not anticipate paying any cash dividends in the foreseeable future. In addition, our credit agreement and the indenture governing our senior notes have certain restrictions on our ability to pay cash dividends.

Our ability to pay dividends is partially dependent on, among other things, our receipt of cash dividends from our regulated subsidiaries. The ability of our regulated subsidiaries to pay dividends to us is limited by the state departments of insurance in the states in which we operate or may operate, as well as requirements of the government-sponsored health programs in which we participate. Any future determination to pay dividends will be at the discretion of our board and will depend upon, among other factors, our results of operations, financial condition, capital requirements and contractual restrictions. For more information regarding restrictions on the ability of our regulated subsidiaries to pay dividends to us, please see Part I – Financial Information, Item 2 – Management's Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations – Liquidity and Capital Resources.

## Item 3. Defaults Upon Senior Securities.

Not Applicable.

## Item 4. Mine Safety Disclosures.

Not Applicable.

## Item 5. Other Information.

Not Applicable.

## Item 6. Exhibits.

Exhibits are incorporated herein by reference or are filed with this report as set forth in the Exhibit Index.

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SIGNATURES

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities and Exchange Act of 1934, the registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned thereunto duly authorized in Tampa, Florida on November 5, 2014.

WELLCARE HEALTH PLANS, INC.

By: /s/ Thomas L. Tran

Thomas L. Tran

Senior Vice President and Chief Financial Officer (Principal Financial Officer)

By: /s/ Maurice S. Hebert

Maurice S. Hebert

Chief Accounting Officer (Principal Accounting Officer)

## EXHIBIT INDEX

Exhibit Number	Description	INCORPORATED BY REFERENCE		
		Form	Filing Date with SEC	Exhibit Number
3.1	Amended and Restated Certificate of Incorporation of the Registrant	10-Q	August 13, 2004	3.1
3.1.1	Amendment to Amended and Restated Certificate of Incorporation	10-Q	November 4, 2009	3.1.1
3.1.2	Second Amendment to Amended and Restated Certificate of Incorporation	8-K	May 28, 2014	3.1
3.2	Third Amended and Restated Bylaws of the Registrant	8-K	November 2, 2010	3.2
4.1	Specimen common stock certificate	10-Q	November 4, 2010	4.1
4.2	Base Indenture, dated November 14, 2013 between WellCare Health Plans, Inc. and The Bank of New York Mellon Trust Company, N.A., as trustee	8-K	November 18, 2013	4.1
4.2.1	First Supplemental Indenture, dated November 14, 2013 between WellCare Health Plans, Inc. and The Bank of New York Mellon Trust Company, N.A., as trustee (including the form of 5.75% Senior Note due 2020)	8-K	November 18, 2013	4.2
10.1	Offer Letter by and between Comprehensive Health Management, Inc. and Andrew Asher, dated August 12, 2014*	8-K	November 5, 2014	10.1
10.2	Executive Severance Plan*	8-K	November 5, 2014	10.2
10.3	Form of Performance Stock Unit Award Notice and Agreement under the Registrant's 2013 Incentive Compensation Plan*	8-K	September 4, 2014	10.1
10.4	Second Amendment to the Amended Managed Care Contract between the Commonwealth of Kentucky, Finance and Administration Cabinet, on behalf of its Department for Medicaid Services and WellCare Health Insurance Company of Kentucky, Inc. (d/b/a WellCare of Kentucky, Inc.)	8-K	September 15, 2014	10.1
10.5	Contract S5967 between the Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services and WellCare Prescription Insurance, Inc.	8-K	September 15, 2014	10.2
10.6	Contract H1032 between the Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services and WellCare of Florida, Inc.	8-K	September 15, 2014	10.3
10.7	Amended and Restated Credit Agreement, dated September 25, 2014, among WellCare Health Plans, Inc., the lenders party thereto, JPMorgan Chase Bank, N.A., as administrative agent, Bank of America, N.A., MUFG Union Bank, N.A. and U.S. Bank National Association as co-documentation agents	8-K	September 25, 2014	10.1
10.8	Amendment No. 3 to Contract No. FP020 between the Agency for Health Care Administration and WellCare of Florida, Inc. (d/b/a Staywell Health Plan of Florida)	8-K	October 9, 2014	10.1
10.9	Amendment No. 4 to Contract No. FP020 between the Agency for Health Care Administration and WellCare of			



- 31.1 Florida, Inc. (d/b/a Staywell Health Plan of Florida) †  
Certification of President and Chief Executive Officer  
pursuant to Section 302 of Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002 †
- 31.2 Certification of Chief Financial Officer pursuant to Section  
302 of Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002 †
- 32.1 Certification of President and Chief Executive Officer  
pursuant to Section 906 of Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002 †
- 32.2 Certification of Chief Financial Officer pursuant to Section  
906 of Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002 †
- 101.INS XBRL Instance Document ††
- 101.SCH XBRL Taxonomy Extension Schema Document ††
- 101.CAL XBRL Taxonomy Extension Calculation Linkbase  
Document ††

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Exhibit Number	Description	Form	Filing Date with SEC	Exhibit Number
101.LAB	XBRL Taxonomy Extension Label Linkbase Document ††			
101.PRE	XBRL Taxonomy Extension Presentation Linkbase Document ††			
101.DEF	XBRL Taxonomy Extension Definition Linkbase Document ††			

\* Denotes a management contract or compensatory plan, contract or arrangement.

\*\* Portions of this exhibit have been omitted pursuant to a request for confidential treatment.

† Filed herewith.

†† Furnished herewith and not filed for purposes of Section 11 and Section 12 of the Securities Act of 1933 and Section 18 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934.