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Passport Health Plan appoints Interim Chief Compliance Officer

Loree Ching hired as Interim Chief Compliance Officer.

January 24, 2011; Louisville, KY. – University Health Care, Inc. (UHC) which does business as Passport Health Plan announced today that Loree Ching will be joining University Health Care as Interim Chief Compliance Officer effective February 1, 2011. Ms. Ching will be responsible for all compliance-related activities for UHC including ensuring compliance with the requirements set forth in contractual agreements with the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS) and the Cabinet for Health and Family Services (CHFS). She will also be responsible for oversight of all University Health Care subcontractors as required by CMS and CHFS. Ms. Ching’s first priority will be to strengthen corporate compliance policies and procedures. She is a CPA and also adds her extensive background in health care finance, particularly in the area of physician and clinic operations.

“Ms. Ching will assist the Board of Directors to move forward in addressing the findings of the State Auditor and to comply with Governor Beshear’s corrective action plan for the company.” said William B. Wagner, Interim Chairman of the Board.

UHC is conducting a nation-wide search for a permanent Chief Compliance Officer, a process that is expected to be completed by mid-April 2011.

University Health Care, Inc., operates Passport Health Plan, a Medicaid managed care plan that serves more than 165,000 members in 16 Kentucky counties. The National Committee for Quality Assurance ranked Passport Health Plan in the top 25 of all Medicaid health plans in the country for the last six consecutive years. The health plan is currently ranked #15. The counties of service include Breckinridge, Bullitt, Carroll, Grayson, Hardin, Henry, Jefferson, Larue, Marion, Meade, Nelson, Oldham, Shelby, Spencer, Trimble and Washington. Passport Health Plan is sponsored by the University of Louisville Medical School Practice Association, University of Louisville Hospital, Jewish and St. Mary’s Healthcare, Norton Healthcare, and the Louisville/Jefferson County Primary Care Association, which includes the Jefferson County Health Department and Louisville's two federally qualified health centers, Family Health Centers and Park DuValle. For additional information, visit www.passporthealthplan.com.

Loree Ching
Interim Chief Compliance Officer
University Health Care, Inc.

Biographical Sketch



Loree Ching is a Certified Public Accountant with more than 15 years leadership experience in Healthcare finance, particularly in the area of physician and clinic operations.

In her most recent position as Director of Managed Care for Jewish Hospital & St Mary's Healthcare, she managed contractual relationships between payors and the hospital system, overseeing contractual obligations while improving the hospital's net reimbursement.

At CARITAS Physician Group, Loree served as Compliance Officer in addition to her duties as Director of Finance. Loree has also served as Director of Finance at Jewish Physician Group and Controller of Austin Diagnostic Clinic, where she focused on improving efficiency and establishing corporate policies and procedures.

Loree received her Bachelor of Business Administration with a major in Accounting from Texas A&M University. She is a member of the Kentucky Society of CPAs and Healthcare Financial Management Association.