

January 12, 2016

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Subject: Health Net Acquisition by Centene Corporation

Dear Ms. Chambers:

On behalf of the undersigned members of the California Health & Wellness Community Advisory Committee (CAC), thank you for the opportunity to express our support for the Health Net acquisition by Centene Corporation. As an advisory committee to California Health & Wellness, a Centene health plan, the CAC's purpose is to provide advice and recommendations to the health plan about the needs of the members served and provide recommendations about how the plan can best provide culturally and disability-responsive services to its members. The CAC represents community based organizations serving seniors, people with disabilities including those served by Regional Centers, working families, and other agencies providing medical and social support.

In its brief existence, California Health & Wellness stepped up and out into the community in ways not seen by other health plans. The plan leadership practices the principles in its purpose statement, "Transforming the health of community, one person at a time." They demonstrate this through their active involvement and presence with their members and organizations serving their members across their 800 mile expanse of coverage. Most importantly, not only are they present, but they listen to the concerns of these members and organizations and serve as a convener for them to share their thoughts. Centene and Health Net share a philosophy and goal of serving their members well. When the community based emphasis of Centene is coupled with the extensive membership of Health Net, it is a natural fit to provide higher quality and more community responsive services to the residents of California.

Californians will soon have the opportunity to benefit from a stronger health plan with expanded resources and an uncompromising commitment to meeting the needs of individuals served by the plan. We encourage your support of this partnership.

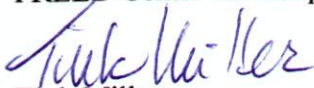
Sincerely,



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