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**WellCare Approved To Expand Staywell Medicaid Services**

*Expansion Positions WellCare As The Only Statewide Medicaid Provider In Florida*

**TAMPA, Fla. (Feb. 5, 2013)** — WellCare Health Plans, Inc. (NYSE: WCG) today announced that the Florida Agency for Health Care Administration (AHCA) has approved WellCare of Florida to expand its Staywell Medicaid managed care services. The expansion adds 25 new counties to the company's service area and positions WellCare as the only Medicaid managed care provider offering plans in all 67 Florida counties.

"WellCare has been committed to serving the health care needs of Floridians for nearly 28 years," said Chrissie Cooper, president of WellCare's Florida and Hawaii Division. "We serve more Florida Medicaid members than any other health plan, a responsibility that we take very seriously, and we look forward to helping even more individuals and families access the quality care and services they need to improve their health and enhance their lives."

WellCare's Florida Medicaid services are provided through the company's Staywell and HealthEase plans. The company's statewide Medicaid expansion has broadened its reach to include counties that participate in Florida's Medicaid Reform Pilot as well as counties that previously did not offer a Medicaid managed care option.

As of Sept. 30, 2012, WellCare serves more than 500,000 Florida residents who are enrolled in its Medicaid, Florida Healthy Kids, Medicare Advantage and Medicare Prescription Drug Plans. For more information about WellCare Medicaid plans and services, members and health care providers can visit <https://florida.wellcare.com> or call 1-877-389-9457 (TTY/TDD: 1-877-247-6272).

**About WellCare Health Plans, Inc.**

WellCare Health Plans, Inc. provides managed care services targeted to government-sponsored health care programs, focusing on Medicaid and Medicare. Headquartered in Tampa, Fla., WellCare offers a variety of health plans for families, children, and the aged, blind and disabled, as well as prescription drug plans. The company serves approximately 2.6 million members nationwide as of Sept. 30, 2012. For more information about WellCare, please visit the company's website at [www.wellcare.com](http://www.wellcare.com).

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