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Kasich Appoints Directors of Depts. of Aging and Health, the Office of Medicaid and Office of Health Transformation

COLUMBUS – Today Gov. John Kasich named new directors to lead the departments of Aging and Health, as well as the Office of Ohio Health Plans (Medicaid).

In addition, Kasich signed an Executive Order establishing the Governor's Office of Health Transformation (OHT) and named Greg Moody to be its director. Together with the state health and human services agencies (Aging, Health, ODADAS, Mental Health, Developmental Disabilities, ODJFS), as well as the Office of Budget and Management and the Department of Administrative Services, the new office will lead the effort to modernize the state's fragmented Medicaid program and implement cost-containment strategies. OHT will also draw upon public and private sector best practices to improve Medicaid's overall performance.

Dr. Theodore (Ted) Wymyslo, Director of the Ohio Department of Health

Wymyslo has 30 years of experience in primary care as a practicing family physician, educator and administrator. Most recently, he has been a strong advocate for implementing the patient-centered medical home model of care in Ohio. Wymyslo previously served as the Program Director of the Family Practice Residency Program at the Miami Valley Hospital for 18 years. He received his M.D. from The Ohio State University College of Medicine.

Dr. Bonnie Kantor-Burman, Director of the Ohio Department of Aging

Kantor-Burman is a national leader in aging policy. Since 2007, she has served as the Executive Director of Pioneer Network, a national center dedicated to the development of consumer-directed, long-term care delivery systems that are high quality and cost effective. Before taking this national position, she was the Director of the Office of Geriatrics and Gerontology at the Ohio State University Health Sciences Center for more than 15 years. She has a Doctor of Science (Sc.D.) from Johns Hopkins Bloomberg School of Public Health.

John McCarthy, Director of the Office of Ohio Health Plans (Medicaid)

McCarthy is currently the Medicaid director in the District of Columbia. His "emergency" Medicaid management experience gained in D.C. puts him in a strong position to accomplish much of what needs to be done in Ohio, such as building a stronger working relationship among all the state agencies that provide Medicaid services and improving quality and value. McCarthy has previously worked with ODJFS and the

Ohio Department of Developmental Disabilities on a number of Medicaid redesign projects and is familiar with Ohio and its structure. McCarthy earned his master's of Public Affairs from Indiana University School of Public Affairs.

Greg Moody, Director of the Governor's Office of Health Transformation

Moody's expertise includes work with both private and public sector health systems and he has 20 years of experience working with Medicaid program design and cost containment. Since 2004, Moody has been a senior consultant at Health Management Associates, Inc. where he has provided health research and consulting services to health care providers and advocacy organizations nationwide. He formerly served as Executive Assistant for Health and Human Services under Governor Bob Taft, and began his public service career in 1991 as a budget associate on then-U.S. Rep. John Kasich's House Budget Committee. Moody has a master's degree in philosophy and health policy from George Washington University.

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