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The Health Plan Gives Back With Tree Decorating Competition

WHEELING, WEST VIRGINIA – The Health Plan (THP) is spreading holiday cheer with a tree decorating contest. Nine teams made up of THP employees are competing on behalf of local nonprofit organizations, giving them a chance to win \$3,000, \$2,000 and \$1,000 for the charities they selected. The winners will be determined at THP's first Light Up Night event, taking place tonight (Wednesday, December 12) from 5:30 – 8 pm at The Health Plan.

With some help from Santa, President and CEO Jim Pennington will decide the top three trees of 2018. "We thought this would be a fun way to usher in the holiday season," said Pennington. "We have several competitive and creative employees who have really gone all out to create some impressive displays. I know many teams have chosen charities near and dear to them, which has really upped the ante for this contest."

At 5:30 pm this evening, Santa will summon the tree lighting to kick off the evening. Employees and their families will have some holiday fun inside with pictures with Santa, cookies and a Christmas movie screening. The Health Plan hopes to make this an annual event to celebrate the season of giving and to support Wheeling's vibrant community.

The Health Plan (www.healthplan.org) is a clinically-driven, technology-enhanced, and customer-focused health maintenance organization that manages and improves the health and well-being of its members. Established in 1979, the West Virginia-based company, with offices in Wheeling, Charleston and Morgantown, West Virginia and Massillon, Ohio has offered a complete line of managed care products and services designed to provide health care systems and clients with innovative health care benefits and plans at a reasonable cost across the mid-Atlantic region and nationally.

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