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UPMC Health Plan Offers VEBA Retiree Coverage at Wheeling-Pittsburgh Steel

PITTSBURGH (November 15, 2007) – UPMC Health Plan announced today that it had reached an agreement with the USW-Wheeling-Pittsburgh Steel VEBA (Voluntary Employees' Beneficiary Association) to provide Medicare health insurance benefits to eligible Wheeling-Pittsburgh Steel Corporation retirees.

Under the terms of the agreement, UPMC Health Plan will provide services through its UPMC *for Life* Private Fee-for-Service (PFFS) plan. The UPMC *for Life* PFFS is a non-network plan, which means that retirees enrolled in the PFFS plan can obtain plan-covered health care services from any Medicare eligible provider who is willing to accept the terms and payment from UPMC *for Life* as noted on the UPMC Health Plan website, http://www.upmchealthplan.com/online/providers_terms.html.

Providers are considered eligible if they are licensed or certified by their state and have a Medicare billing number, or are eligible to obtain one. A UPMC *for Life* PFFS member may use any health care facility that is Medicare-certified. Health care providers can call the UPMC Health Plan Provider Services Department at 1-877-539-3080, option 2, if they have questions regarding the new coverage.

Starting in mid-November, UPMC *for Life* representatives will be available to meet with eligible Wheeling-Pitt retirees on a one-on-one basis at a number of area locations, at the times and locations listed below.

Wheeling-Pitt retirees with questions can call UPMC Health Plan at 1-800-818-8762 and state they are from the Wheeling-Pitt retiree group.

Wheeling-Pitt retirees need to hand in their election form as of December 7, 2007, in order for the plan to be effective January 1, 2008.

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Schedule for Wheeling-Pitt Meetings

Date	Location	Presentation Times
November 16	Martins Ferry Union Hall 705 Main St. Martins Ferry, OH	9 am 11 am
November 16	McMechen Fire Hall McMechen, WV	1:30 pm 3:30 pm
November 19	Knights of Columbus Mingo Junction, OH	9 am 11 am 1 pm
November 20	Knights of Columbus Mingo Junction, OH	9 am 11 am 1 pm
November 21	Yorkville Union Hall Yorkville, OH	9 am 11 am
November 26	Follansbee Community House Follansbee, WV	9 am 11 am
November 28	Washington Township Fire Hall Dull St. Belle Vernon, PA	9 am 11 am 1 pm
November 29	Washington Township Fire Hall Dull St. Belle Vernon, PA	9 am 11 am 1 pm
November 30	Wheeling Civic Center	9 am 11 am

About UPMC Health Plan

UPMC Health Plan, the second-largest health insurer in Western Pennsylvania, is owned by the University of Pittsburgh Medical Center (UPMC), one of the nation's top-ranked health systems. The integrated partner companies of the UPMC Insurance Services Division – which includes UPMC Health Plan, Work Partners, EAP Solutions, UPMC *for You* (Medical Assistance), and Community Care Behavioral Health – offer a full range of group health insurance, Medicare, CHIP, Medical Assistance, behavioral health, employee assistance, and workers' compensation products and services to nearly 1 million members. Our local provider network includes UPMC as well as community providers, totaling more than 80 hospitals and more than 7,500 physicians in a 28-county region. For more information, visit www.upmchealthplan.com.