PHC REMAINS COMMITTED TO LONG-TERM CARE IN EUREKA

FAIRFIELD – Partnership HealthPlan of California (PHC) is pleased that its members will continue to have access to long-term-care services in the Eureka area, following decisions this week by Rockport Healthcare Services to close just one of its facilities in the area and to continue to contract with PHC.

“We are happy that a larger closure was avoided and that our fragile members in these facilities will not be forced out of their home communities.” said Liz Gibboney, CEO of PHC. “We will continue to put our members first and work to ensure they receive high-quality care.”

PHC, the nonprofit, public organization that administers Medi-Cal benefits in Humboldt and 13 other counties, received word Monday that Rockport would close just one of its five Eureka facilities, instead of the three it had slated for closure. On Tuesday, PHC learned that Rockport had rescinded letters terminating its contracts with PHC for all five facilities. That means that PHC members, current and future, will have access to long-term care through Rockport, ending concerns over a crisis if all three closures proceeded.

PHC expects that its members at Pacific Rehabilitation and Wellness Center, the one Rockport facility set to close, will be transferred to the other Rockport sites in the Eureka area. During the transition, PHC will offer support and assistance to affected members.

Looking ahead, PHC is exploring non-institutional long-term-care options for its members, including PACE (Program of All-Inclusive Care for the Elderly), Home Health programs, and similar services.

About Partnership HealthPlan of California (PHC)
PHC is a nonprofit community-based health care organization that administers Medi-Cal benefits to over 570,000 members in 14 Northern California counties – Del Norte, Humboldt, Lake, Lassen, Marin, Mendocino, Modoc, Napa, Shasta, Siskiyou, Solano, Sonoma, Trinity, and Yolo.