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Dear Provider Partner:

As you may have heard, WellCare has entered into an agreement to merge with Centene. The agreement is expected to close by the first half of 2020, pending regulatory approvals and meeting closing conditions. We are confident this combination is in the best interests of both our provider partners and the members we serve. This announcement does not change our important partnership with you or our focus on our responsibility to serve our members. You have our commitment that we will maintain business continuity and operations throughout the period prior to closing.

Until the approval and close of the transaction, WellCare and Centene will aim to be as transparent as possible. We are committed to keeping you informed of changes that may affect you. Following the closing, we will work together diligently to ensure our organizations are integrated seamlessly, enabling a smooth transition for you and our members.

Centene represents more than three decades of experience operating government-sponsored programs, and remains as dedicated as ever to the health and unique needs of the partners and communities it serves. And, like us, Centene has a locally focused approach that is an important philosophy of their company. As a combined company, we will preserve this approach, including building and maintaining deep relationships with all of our providers.

This announcement is only the first step in what is a very exciting development for our company. If you have any questions, don't hesitate to reach out to your provider representative at WellCare.

Thank you again for being a trusted WellCare provider partner.

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