Blue Cross Blue Shield of Massachusetts Statement on Senate Health Care Vote

BOSTON, July 25, 2017 /PRNewswire-USNewswire/ -- Andrew Dreyfus, President and CEO of Blue Cross Blue Shield of Massachusetts, released the following statement today:

"Now that the Senate has voted to begin debate to repeal-and-replace the Affordable Care Act (ACA), we encourage policy makers to work in a bipartisan spirit to improve the ACA to create a health care system that is high quality, affordable, and sustainable.

We do not believe that repealing the ACA is in the best interest of our customers, our state, or our nation.

The non-partisan Congressional Budget Office has reviewed the proposals now before the Senate and concluded that, if enacted, tens of millions of Americans would lose their health insurance and premiums in the individual insurance market would skyrocket.



As we have stated, we believe that the ACA can be improved, and we support meaningful action to stabilize health insurance markets, make care more affordable, and sustain the significant coverage gains that have been made over the past decade."

About Blue Cross Blue Shield of Massachusetts

Blue Cross Blue Shield of Massachusetts (<u>bluecrossma.com</u>) is a community-focused, tax-paying, not-for-profit health plan headquartered in Boston. We're the trusted health plan for more than 25,000 Massachusetts employers and are committed to working with others in a spirit of shared responsibility to make quality health care affordable. Consistent with our corporate promise to always put our 2.8 million members first, we're rated among the nation's best health plans for member satisfaction and quality. Connect with us on <u>Facebook</u>, <u>Twitter</u>, <u>YouTube</u>, and <u>LinkedIn</u>.

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