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News Release

**AETNA AND WASHINGTON HOSPITAL HEALTHCARE SYSTEM
REACH NEW AGREEMENT**

Walnut Creek, Calif. and Fremont, Calif., August 21, 2014 -- Aetna (NYSE: [AET](#)) and Washington Hospital Healthcare System announced today that the two organizations have signed a new three-and-a-half year contract. The new contract, which takes effect on September 1, 2014, will give Aetna HMO, PPO and Medicare Advantage members in-network access to Washington Hospital Healthcare System for the first time since October 1, 2012.

“We are pleased to welcome Washington Hospital back in our network,” said John Pickett, Aetna’s network head for Northern California. “This new agreement will allow us to continue offering our members access to a broad network of high-quality hospitals and physicians in Northern California.”

“We look forward to once again providing excellent care and services that Aetna members, especially those members who are residents of Washington Township Health Care District, have come to expect from our hospital,” said Nancy Farber, chief executive officer of Washington Hospital Healthcare System. “I believe the ultimate beneficiaries are Aetna patients who will be able to once again receive the in-network care they need from their local community hospital.”

Washington Township Health Care District includes Fremont, Newark, Union City, South Hayward and Unincorporated Sunol and has a population of more than 320,000.

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Aetna provides health benefits to more than 300,000 members in Northern California. Those members have access to a contracted network of 100 hospitals and more than 14,000 primary care doctors and specialists.

About Washington Township Health Care District

Washington Township Health Care District is governed by an elected board of directors. Unlike a municipal or county hospital, Washington Hospital's operating expenses, research, community programs, and employee salaries are funded by revenues generated through providing patient and other health care services. Washington Hospital Healthcare System includes a 359 acute-care bed hospital; the Taylor McAdam Bell Neuroscience Institute; The Gamma Knife® Center; Washington Radiation Oncology Center; Washington Outpatient Surgery Center; Washington Outpatient Rehabilitation Center; Washington Institute for Joint Restoration and Research; Washington Township Medical Foundation; and Washington West, a complex which houses Washington Women's Center, Outpatient Imaging Center, Sandy Amos R.N. Infusion Center, Washington Urgent Care and additional outpatient hospital services and administrative facilities. For more information, go to www.whhs.com.

About Aetna

Aetna is one of the nation's leading diversified health care benefits companies, serving an estimated 45 million people with information and resources to help them make better informed decisions about their health care. Aetna offers a broad range of traditional, voluntary and consumer-directed health insurance products and related services, including medical, pharmacy, dental, behavioral health, group life and disability plans, and medical management capabilities, Medicaid health care management services, workers' compensation administrative services and health information technology products and services. Aetna's customers include employer groups, individuals, college students, part-time and hourly workers, health plans, health care providers, governmental units, government-sponsored plans, labor groups and expatriates. [Learn more about Aetna's journey](#) to make quality health care more affordable and accessible for all. www.aetna.com @aetna

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