MULTIPLAN WELCOMES CLEVELAND CLINIC HEALTH SYSTEM TO THE PHCS NETWORK

New York, NY, October 21, 2008 – MultiPlan, Inc., the nation’s oldest and largest independent PPO network, announced today the addition of Cleveland Clinic Health System to the PHCS Network, its primary PPO network. The system has participated in MultiPlan’s complementary PPO, The MultiPlan Network, since 2004.

Cleveland Clinic Health System, with headquarters in Cleveland, Ohio, consists of nine community hospitals throughout Ohio that will all be joining the PHCS Network:

- Cleveland Clinic Foundation
- Euclid Hospital
- Fairview Hospital
- Hillcrest Hospital
- Huron Hospital
- Lakewood Hospital Association
- Lutheran Hospital
- Marymount Hospital
- South Pointe Hospital

As part of the agreement, approximately 50 ancillary facilities associated with the health system also joined the PHCS Network. In addition, MultiPlan is in discussions about adding Cleveland Clinic Health System Physician Organization, which has 1,200 physicians, to the PHCS Network and expects them to join later this year.

US News and World Report ranked Cleveland Clinic fourth on its 2008 “Best Hospitals Honor Roll” and its heart center was ranked as the best in the nation. To be named to the Honor Roll, hospitals have to be rated highly in at least 6 specialties. Only 19 hospitals in the country earned the distinction in 2008.

“Cleveland Clinic is consistently recognized as one of the best hospitals in the country,” said Dale White, Executive Vice President of Sales and Account Management at MultiPlan. “With the wide range of services it offers, it is an invaluable health resource and a very important component in delivering convenient, comprehensive health care in northeast Ohio. We are excited to give our clients and their members access to this important provider and its affiliated hospitals.”
About MultiPlan
MultiPlan is the industry’s most comprehensive provider of medical cost management solutions. The company provides over 2,100 clients with a single gateway to a host of primary, complementary and out-of-network strategies for managing the financial risks associated with healthcare claims. Clients include large and mid-sized insurers, third party administrators, self-funded plans, HMOs and other entities that pay claims on behalf of health plans. Services include PHCS Network, the country’s leading independent primary PPO network, The MultiPlan Network, the national network most often used to complement a primary PPO, fee negotiation services, a Wisconsin-based primary PPO and a national transplant network. Well over 600,000 providers participate with MultiPlan through these networks. Incorporated in 1980, MultiPlan is owned by a group of investors led by The Carlyle Group. For more information, visit www.multiplan.com.