



GUILDNET EXPANDS LEADERSHIP POSITION AS NEW YORK STATE'S LARGEST MANAGED LONG TERM CARE PLAN PROVIDER

NEW YORK – December 22, 2015 – GuildNet, the leading provider of Managed Long Term Health Care (MLTC) plans for frail and chronically ill New Yorkers, today announced that almost 2,000 members are being successfully transitioned from EmblemHealth. In November, EmblemHealth announced that it would no longer provide MLTC coverage and entered into a partnership with GuildNet to provide service to those members. GuildNet already has one of the highest care manager to member ratios, and continues to add staff to support the growing demand for its MLTC plans.

In addition to Managed Long Term Care, GuildNet also offers a Medicaid Advantage Plus (MAP) plan for people 18 or older, who have both Medicare and Medicaid and have long term healthcare needs, as well as a Fully Integrated Dual Advantage Plan (FIDA), a managed long term care plan for people 21 or over that combines all of the benefits of Medicare and Medicaid.

“Nearly 20 years ago, GuildNet became one of the first Managed Long Term Care plan providers in New York State, and we’re proud to have helped thousands of our members manage all their medical and healthcare needs so they can remain safely at home,” said Dr. Alan R. Morse, CEO of GuildNet and President and CEO of Lighthouse Guild. “The need for well coordinated and carefully managed health services continues to grow, and we look forward to serving even more members in the year ahead.”

GuildNet offers health plans for people who have Medicare and Medicaid and qualify for nursing home level care, but with support from GuildNet are able to continue to live safely in the community. With more than 18,000 members in New York City and Nassau, Suffolk, and Westchester Counties, GuildNet is a program of Lighthouse Guild, the leading not-for-profit vision + healthcare organization. Lighthouse Guild has a long history of addressing the needs of people who are blind or visually impaired, including those with multiple disabilities or chronic medical conditions.

In a letter to its members, EmblemHealth praised GuildNet’s long-standing tradition of excellence and assured members of continued access to the long term care providers with which they currently work. “GuildNet and EmblemHealth have worked together seamlessly for years, thereby ensuring a smooth transition with minimal disruption,” the letter stated.

“We are pleased to welcome our new members, including those transitioning from EmblemHealth, to the GuildNet family,” said Wanda Figueroa-Kilroy, President of GuildNet. “As a market leader with years of experience providing long term care services, our paramount focus is ensuring that our members receive quality care and careful attention to their needs.”



About GuildNet

GuildNet was established in 1997, becoming one of the first Managed Long Term Care (MLTC) plans in New York State. GuildNet is a leading healthcare provider committed to improving the quality of health care available for frail and chronically ill New Yorkers. With offices in New York City, Brooklyn, Melville, and White Plains, New York, GuildNet currently serves more than 18,000 Members. GuildNet is a program of Lighthouse Guild, which has been providing quality services for thousands of men, women and children since 1905. For more information, visit www.guildnetny.org.

About Lighthouse Guild

Lighthouse Guild is the leading not-for-profit vision + healthcare organization with a long history of addressing the needs of people who are blind or visually impaired, including those with multiple disabilities or chronic medical conditions. Lighthouse Guild was created upon the successful merger of Jewish Guild Healthcare and Lighthouse International, which was completed in 2013. With more than 200 years of combined experience and service, Lighthouse Guild brings a level of understanding to vision care that is unmatched. By integrating vision + healthcare services and expanding access through education and awareness, we help people lead productive, dignified and fulfilling lives. For more information, visit www.lighthouseguild.org or find us on [Facebook](#).

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