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Jeannie Comins Named NAHU Region I Vice President

Local Healthcare Agent Accepts Nomination to NAHU Board of Trustees

(SYRACUSE, NY) – Jeannie Comins was named Region I vice president to the National Association of Health Underwriters (NAHU) Board of Trustees at the 87th Annual Convention and Exhibition in Orlando, FL.

"We are pleased to welcome Jeannie as a regional vice president of NAHU. She is an incredibly passionate individual who has worked hard to make sure agents and brokers are able to continue assisting their clients in this new health insurance marketplace," said Janet Trautwein, NAHU CEO.

Comins has over 20 years in the medical and insurance industry. She started out doing agency work at Gilroy Kernan & Gilroy as a senior benefits account manager. She went on to become a senior client service representative at EBS-RMSCO, then transitioned to United HealthCare as a provider relations/network account manager. After, Comins worked at Lifetime Benefit Solutions (LBS) and taught evening classes on the International Classification of Diseases and medical billing at Bryant & Stratton College in Syracuse, NY. Currently, she is a manager at MVP Health Care and oversees the alternative funding team, ASO implementation and ASO benefits compliance.

Almost a decade ago, Comins joined the Greater Central New York Association of Health Underwriters (GCNYAHU) chapter and has served in several leadership positions at the local, state and national levels. In 2013, she joined the local board as the awards chair then moved into the secretary position. Comins has also served as president-elect for the GCNYAHU chapter.

Comins has received great recognition for her leadership efforts and expertise, which includes being a recipient of the Outstanding Service Award from the New York State Association of Health Underwriters (NYSAHU) for her many efforts within GCNYAHU and NYSAHU. Additionally, in 2015, she was awarded the Lifetime Executive Award by Lifetime Healthcare Companies for her dedication, perseverance and client engagement during a system transition.

She enjoys learning and has several other certifications outside of the required New York state licensing, such as Group Benefits Disability Specialist, Certified Healthcare Reform Specialist, Self-Insured Certified Specialist, Certified Voluntary Benefits Specialist and Certified Medical Reimbursement Specialist.

"I look forward to working within our association to attract more agents and brokers to belong to our professional association that provides meaningful marketplace solutions that improve the accessibility and affordability of health insurance while improving the lives of American individuals and families," said Comins.

Comins loves to spend her spare time with her son, Michael, significant other, Jim, two dogs, Daphne and Velma, and cat, Patches. She also loves to cook, read and enjoy the company of her family and friends.

The National Association of Health Underwriters represents more than 100,000 professional health insurance agents and brokers who provide insurance for millions of Americans. NAHU is headquartered in Washington, DC. For more information, visit our web site at <u>www.nahu.org</u>.

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