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# MEDCHI JOINS LAWSUIT AGAINST MULTIPLAN AND LEADING INSURANCE PROVIDERS OVER HEALTH CARE PRICE-FIXING

Federal antitrust litigation seeks to hold MultiPlan and major insurance companies responsible for alleged coordinated price-fixing scheme leading to under-reimbursement for out-of-network services.

BALTIMORE, December 17, 2025 – MedChi, The Maryland State Medical Society, has joined a federal multidistrict litigation (MDL) against MultiPlan (recently rebranded to Claritev) and major insurers, including UnitedHealth, Elevance, Humana, Aetna, and Cigna, alleging they conspired to systematically underpay physicians for reimbursements for out-of-network services, which often fail even to cover operating costs.

MedChi joins the <u>American Medical Association (AMA)</u> and hundreds of physician practices and facilities nationwide in this growing antitrust litigation.

"For years, Maryland physicians have been asked to deliver care to out-of-network patients while being paid less and less for that care," said Gene Ransom, CEO of MedChi. "This lawsuit is about fairness and accountability. Physicians deserve to be paid appropriately for the care they provide, and patients are harmed when payment practices discourage access to needed services."

This lawsuit, filed in the Northern District Court of Illinois in 2024, seeks to end MultiPlan's alleged anticompetitive scheme that it has operated since at least 2015 and recoup financial damages for physicians and practices. As of 2024, MultiPlan processes more than 80% of all commercial out-of-network reimbursement claims in the United States.

Physicians who believe they have been harmed by MultiPlan and the insurance companies can obtain a <u>free case evaluation</u> from one of the law firms appointed by the court to lead the non-class claims or contact the firm via email at <u>multiplanlitigation@agg.com</u>.

#### About MedChi

MedChi, The Maryland State Medical Society, is a non-profit membership association of Maryland physicians. Formed in 1799, it is still the largest physician organization in Maryland today. The mission of MedChi is to serve as Maryland's foremost advocate and resource for physicians, their patients, and the public health of Maryland. For more information, please visit <a href="https://www.medchi.org">www.medchi.org</a>.

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