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Healthcare Services Group (HSG) Family of Companies announces dividend and profit-sharing payouts and continues to provide multiple measures of economic relief to its members, including early dividend distribution and HSG Charitable Foundation relief funds.

Early Dividend Distribution to Missouri Hospital Plan (MHP) Members

Last week, the MHP board of directors declared a \$13 million dividend payable to members renewing in 2022. The board further elected to distribute the \$13 million dividend early to provide additional economic relief to hospitals as they continue to struggle with the financial burden associated with the COVID-19 pandemic. Payment distribution will begin in the next few weeks.

“The last two years, the MHP board took this same action, by accelerating dividend payments, to help alleviate some of the financial burden our hospitals face as a result of the COVID-19 pandemic.”

— *HSG President & CEO, Dana Frese*

MHP has a long history of providing substantial annual dividends to MHP members. Overall, MHP has declared \$213 million in dividends to its members.

The board also voted to not increase the hospital professional liability insurance premium base rate. The base rate for insuring physicians, surgeons and allied health care providers will increase by 9%.

Quality Caregiver Profit Sharing Payout by Medical Liability Alliance (MLA)

Last week, the MLA board of directors declared an 11% Quality Caregivers profit sharing payout for eligible insureds upon renewal. MLA is a wholly-owned subsidiary of MHP. This is the 14th consecutive payout since the program began in 2009. Over this time period, the MLA board has declared over \$21 million in profit sharing.

The MLA board also approved a 9% base rate increase for physicians/surgeons/allied medical professional liability insurance coverage.

HSG Charitable Foundation COVID-19 Relief Funds to MHP Members

The HSG Charitable Foundation board also approved several measures to provide relief for MHP members, including funds to be used for COVID-19 expenses, additional flexibility in using Foundation scholarship funds for COVID-19 expenses, and immediate release of COVID relief and remaining scholarship funds. These funds will be distributed over the next few weeks.

“This is the third consecutive year the board has taken action to provide what additional financial assistance we can to support our members who are affected by the financial burden of this crisis.”
– *Becky Branson Hill, Executive Director, HSG Charitable Foundation*

“We are pleased and grateful that the Boards approved the early release of the significant dividend for MHP members, and the other economic relief for our members and insureds. Their actions clearly support and advance the mission of HSG: “To protect and promote quality healthcare, we are a reliable provider of innovative, comprehensive, fairly priced, high quality insurance products and services for hospitals, physicians and other health care providers.” — *HSG President & CEO, Dana Frese*

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