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INTRODUCTION

The *Nevada HMO Industry Profile* is published quarterly and contains valuable information regarding Nevada's licensed health maintenance organizations (HMOs). This profile is useful to healthcare providers and others interested in managed care services available within the state.

Each quarterly report presents company specific organizational data, as well as, quarterly enrollment data arranged by county. Enrollment data are categorized by enrollee population and product (i.e. Commercial Plan, Medicare, Medicaid, Nevada Check Up). Market penetration information is also provided.

First Quarter 2004 HMO Activity Highlights

- This first quarter report of 2004 (as well as previous quarterly reports from 2000) can be accessed online at, as well as downloaded from, the following web address: <http://health2k.state.nv.us/nihds/publications/HMO/index.htm>
- I/MX Companies, the parent company of NevadaCare, Inc., announced Summerlin Life and Health Insurance Company (SL&H), an affiliate of NevadaCare.
- Effective January 1, 2004, JCAHO extended NevadaCare, Inc.'s accreditation to include SL&H's network.

Table I

PROFILE OF NEVADA LICENSED HMOS
Enrollment for Quarter Ending: March 31, 2004

HMO	Contact	Service Area	Enrollment
Aetna US Healthcare 4040 South Eastern Ave., Suite 240 Las Vegas, NV 89117 Model: Network Licensed: July, 1997 For-profit; Foreign HMO NCQA Full Accreditation 11/01.	Ruth Szcurko RN,MBA Quality Accreditation Manager Phone: 702-650-8232 General Manager: Cliff Klima Medical Director: Dr. Richard Jones	Clark County, Reno/Sparks, and Pahump in Nye County	Commercial: 12,701 Medicare: - Medicaid: - NV Check-Up: - Total: 12,701 PPO Total: -
Health Plan of Nevada (Subsidiary of Sierra Health Services) P.O. Box 15645 Las Vegas, NV 89114-5645 Model: Group/Network Combination Licensed: April 1982 For-profit; Domestic HMO NCQA Full Accreditation 5/03.	Rudy Cardenas Director of Operations, Managed Care Div. Phone: 702-242-7692 Kelly Simonson, Medicaid Director Phone: 702-242-7409 Medical Director: Dr. Sameer Abu-Samrah Federally Qualified: All service areas Medicare Risk Contract: All service areas	Clark, Esmeralda, Lyon, Mineral, Nye, and Washoe Counties	Commercial: 211,997 Medicare: 51,739 Medicaid: 38,943 NV Check-Up: 9,438 Total: 312,117 PPO Total: 23,867
HMO Nevada 6900 Westcliff Dr., Suite 600 Las Vegas, NV 89145 Licensed: December 1992 For-profit; Foreign HMO URAC Exam 12/03	Tony Pointer, Director of Sales Phone: Pattie Gonzalez, Provider Service Manager Phone: 702-228-1255 Medical Director: Dr. William Bannen Federally Qualified: Clark County	Carson City, Clark, Douglas, Elko, Esmeralda, Eureka, Humboldt, Lincoln, Lyon, Nye Storey and Washoe Counties	Commercial: DNR Medicare: - Medicaid: - NV Check-Up: - Total: DNR PPO Total: DNR

HMO	Contact	Service Area	Enrollment	
Hometown Health Plan 830 Harvard Way Reno, NV 89502 Model: Network Licensed: February 1988 Non-profit; Domestic HMO State Quality Exam: CMS Exam 8/02	Troy Smith, Vice-President Insurance Svcs. Phone (775) 982-3000 Medical Director: Dr. Jay Keystone Federally Qualified: All service areas Medicare Risk Contract: Washoe County	Carson City, Churchill, Douglas, Elko, Eureka, Humboldt, Lander, Lyon, Mineral, Pershing, Storey and Washoe Counties	Commercial: 20,695 Medicare: 5,278 Medicaid: - NV Check-Up: - Total: 25,973 PPO Total: 63,206	
NevadaCare, Inc. 10600 Charleston Blvd. Las Vegas, NV 89135 Model: Network Licensed: September 1995 For-profit; Domestic HMO State Quality Exam: JCAHO 12/03	Curt Howell, VP of Program Development Phone: 702-474-7241 Medical Director: Dr. Barney	Clark County, and Reno / Sparks in Washoe County	Commercial: 19,642 Medicare: - Medicaid: 49,061 NV Check-Up: 11,393 Total: 80,096 PPO Total: 462	
PacificCare of Nevada, Inc. 700 Warm Springs Rd. Las Vegas, NV 89119 Model: Network, and DSI Network Licensed: September 1997 For-profit; Domestic HMO NCQA Accreditation pending 2/04 State Quality Exam: HCFA 2/00	Dr. Bard Coats, President and Chief Med. Officer Phone: 702-269-7500 Dr. Alan Blumenthal, Medical Director Federally Qualified: Clark County Medicare risk contract: Clark County	Carson City, Clark, Douglas, Esmeralda, Lyon, Mineral, Nye, Storey, and Washoe Counties	Commercial: 25,915 Medicare: 25,406 Medicaid: - NV Check-Up: - Total: 51,321 PPO Total: 8,440	

HMO	Contact	Service Area	Enrollment
St. Mary's Health First 1155 W. Fourth Street #121 Reno, NV 89503 Model: Staff/Network combination Licensed: June 1993 For-profit; Domestic HMO State Quality Exam: NCQA 3/02	M. Donald Kowitz, Chief Operating Officer Phone: 775- 770-6060 Medical Director: Dr. Dennis Shuman	Carson City, Storey and Washoe Counties. Douglas County except Stateline and portions of Lyon County	Commercial: 29,153 Medicare: - Medicaid: - NV Check-Up: - Total: 29,153 PPO Total: -

<u>Nevada State Totals:</u>	<u>Enrollment</u>	<u>Market Penetration*</u>
Commercial:	320,103	17.4%
Medicare:	82,423	38.3%
Medicaid:	88,004	50.5%
NV Check-Up	20,831	
Total Enrollment:	511,361	

DSI: Delivery Service Intermediary

Please refer to "TABLE NOTES" for important additional information.

* Market Penetration calculations and enrollment figures are mutually exclusive categories, and should be interpreted as such.

Table II

**HMO COMMERCIAL ENROLLMENT
by Geographic Area
March 31, 2004**

Health Plan	Clark County	Washoe County	Rural Counties	Total Commercial
Aetna US Healthcare	12,001	605	95	12,701
Health Plan of Nevada	203,726	5,193	3,078	211,997
HMO Nevada	DNR	DNR	DNR	*
Hometown Health Plan	1,562	17,634	1,499	20,695
NevadaCare, Inc.	19,214	217	211	19,642
PacifiCare of Nevada, Inc.	25,639	0	276	25,915
St. Mary's Health First	-	24,329	4,824	29,153
Totals	262,142	47,978	9,983	320,103
Market Penetration	20.6%	16.4%	3.6%	17.4%

Please refer to "TABLE NOTES" for important additional information.

Table III

**HMO RURAL COMMERCIAL ENROLLMENT BY COUNTY
March 31, 2004**

County	Aetna	Health Plan Nevada	HMO Nevada	Hometown Health	NevadaCare	PacifiCare	St. Mary's Health First	County Total
Carson City	-	34	DNR	0	-	195	3,985	4,214
Churchill	-	13	DNR	117	-	-	-	130
Douglas	-	17	DNR	734	-	81	345	1,177
Elko	-	4	DNR	59	-	-	-	63
Esmeralda	-	17	DNR	-	-	-	-	17
Eureka	-	0	DNR	-	-	-	-	0
Humboldt	-	7	DNR	25	-	-	-	32
Lander	-	1	DNR	-	-	-	-	1
Lincoln	-	107	DNR	-	-	-	-	107
Lyon	-	139	DNR	327	-	-	387	853
Mineral	-	1	DNR	165	-	-	-	166
Nye	95	2,727	DNR	-	211	-	-	3,033
Pershing	-	0	DNR	0	-	-	-	0
Storey	-	3	DNR	72	-	-	107	182
White Pine	-	8	DNR	-	-	-	-	8
Undefined	-	-	DNR	0	-	-	-	0
TOTAL	95	3,078	*	1,499	211	276	4,824	9,983

Please refer to "TABLE NOTES" for important additional information.

Table IV
HMO COMMERCIAL ENROLLMENT TRENDS
March 31, 2004

Health Plan	Enrollment March 31, 2004	Enrollment March 31, 2003	Difference	Percentage Change
Aetna US Healthcare	12,701	16,221	-3,520	-21.7%
Health Plan of Nevada	211,997	188,021	23,976	12.8%
HMO Nevada	*	2,708	*	*
Hometown Health Plan	20,695	27,789	-7,094	-25.5%
NevadaCare, Inc.	19,642	19,673	-31	-0.2%
PacifiCare of Nevada, Inc.	25,915	23,338	2,577	11.0%
St. Mary's HealthFirst	29,153	29,538	-385	-1.3%
Totals	320,103	307,288	12,815	4.2%

Please refer to "TABLE NOTES" for important additional information.

Table V

**HMO MEDICARE ENROLLMENT
by Geographic Area
March 31, 2004**

Health Plan	Clark County	Washoe County	Rural Counties	Total Medicare
Aetna US Healthcare	-	-	-	-
Health Plan of Nevada	42,964	4,070	4,705	51,739
HMO Nevada	-	-	-	-
Hometown Health Plan	-	5,278	-	5,278
NevadaCare, Inc.	-	-	-	-
PacifiCare of Nevada, Inc.	25,406	-	-	25,406
St. Mary's Health First	-	-	-	-
Totals	68,370	9,348	4,705	82,423
Market Penetration	47.3%	25.3%	13.9%	38.3%

Please refer to "TABLE NOTES" for important additional information.

Table VI
HMO RURAL MEDICARE ENROLLMENT BY COUNTY
March 31, 2004

County	Aetna	Health Plan Nevada	HMO Nevada	Hometown Health	NevadaCare	PacifiCare	St. Mary's HealthFirst	County Total
Carson City	-	22	-	-	-	-	-	22
Churchill	-	0	-	-	-	-	-	0
Douglas	-	2	-	-	-	-	-	2
Elko	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	1
Esmeralda	-	23	-	-	-	-	-	23
Eureka	-	0	-	-	-	-	-	0
Humboldt	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	1
Lander	-	0	-	-	-	-	-	0
Lincoln	-	2	-	-	-	-	-	2
Lyon	-	848	-	-	-	-	-	848
Mineral	-	64	-	-	-	-	-	64
Nye	-	3,738	-	-	-	-	-	3,738
Pershing	-	0	-	-	-	-	-	0
Storey	-	0	-	-	-	-	-	0
White Pine	-	4	-	-	-	-	-	4
Undefined	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	0
TOTAL	0	4,705	0	0	0	0	0	4,705

Please refer to "TABLE NOTES" for important additional information.

Table VII
HMO MEDICARE ENROLLMENT TRENDS
March 31, 2004

Health Plan	Enrollment March 31, 2004	Enrollment March 31, 2003	Difference	Percent Change
Aetna US Healthcare	-	-	-	-
Health Plan of Nevada	51,150	48,661	2,489	5.1%
HMO Nevada	-	-	-	-
Hometown Health Plan	5,278	5,860	-582	-9.9%
NevadaCare, Inc.	-	-	-	-
PacifiCare of Nevada, Inc.	25,406	27,069	-1,663	-6.1%
St. Mary's Health First	-	-	-	-
Totals	81,834	81,590	244	0.3%

Please refer to "TABLE NOTES" for important additional information.

Table IX
HMO MEDICAID ENROLLMENT TRENDS
March 31, 2004

Health Plan	Enrollment March 31, 2004	Enrollment March 31, 2003	Difference	Percent Change
Aetna US Healthcare	-	-	-	-
Health Plan of Nevada	38,943	29,017	9,926	34.2%
HMO Nevada	-	-	-	-
Hometown Health Plan	-	-	-	-
NevadaCare, Inc.	49,061	44,873	4,188	9.3%
PacifiCare of Nevada, Inc.	-	-	-	-
St. Mary's Health First	-	-	-	-
Totals	88,004	73,890	14,114	19.1%

Please refer to "TABLE NOTES" for important additional information.

Table X

**HMO NEVADA CHECK-UP ENROLLMENT
by Geographic Area
March 31, 2004**

Health Plan	Clark County	Washoe County	Rural Counties	Total Check-Up
Aetna US Healthcare	-	-	-	-
Health Plan of Nevada	9,114	322	2	9,438
HMO Nevada	-	-	-	-
Hometown Health Plan	-	-	-	-
NevadaCare, Inc.	7,644	3,749	-	11,393
PacifiCare of Nevada, Inc.	-	-	-	-
St. Mary's Health First	-	-	-	-
Totals	16,758	4,071	2	20,831

Please refer to "TABLE NOTES" for important additional information.

Table VIII

**HMO MEDICAID ENROLLMENT
by Geographic Area
March 31, 2004**

Health Plan	Clark County	Washoe County	Rural Counties	Total Medicaid
Aetna US Healthcare	-	-	-	-
Health Plan of Nevada	32,519	6,391	33	38,943
HMO Nevada	-	-	-	-
Hometown Health Plan	-	-	-	-
NevadaCare, Inc.	43,351	5,710	0	49,061
PacifiCare of Nevada, Inc.	-	-	-	-
St. Mary's Health First	-	-	-	-
Totals	75,870	12,101	33	88,004
Market Penetration	60.0%	49.2%	0.1%	50.5%

Please refer to "TABLE NOTES" for important additional information.

*Only statewide Medicaid Eligible Data was available due to new NSWDC reporting measures.

Table XI

**TOTAL HMO MARKET PENETRATION
by County, March 31, 2004**

County	Commercial Market Penetration	Medicare Market Penetration	Medicaid Market Penetration
Clark	20.6%	47.3%	60.0%
Washoe	16.4%	25.3%	49.2%
Carson City	9.0%	0.0%	*
Churchill	0.6%	0.0%	*
Douglas	3.0%	0.0%	*
Elko	0.1%	0.0%	*
Esmeralda	1.3%	0.0%	*
Eureka	0.0%	N/A	*
Humboldt	0.2%	0.0%	*
Lander	0.0%	N/A	*
Lincoln	2.9%	0.0%	*
Lyon	2.7%	0.0%	*
Mineral	3.0%	0.0%	*
Nye	9.5%	0.0%	*
Pershing	0.0%	0.0%	*
Storey	5.1%	0.0%	*
White Pine	0.1%	0.0%	*
Statewide TOTALS	17.4%	38.3%	50.5%

Please refer to "TABLE NOTES" for important additional information.

*Rural County: No county Medicaid Eligible Data available per NSWD, see Table VIII.

Table XII

**PPO ENROLLMENT
by Geographic Area
March 31, 2004**

Health Plan	Clark County	Washoe County	Rural Counties	Total Enrollment
Aetna US Healthcare	-	-	-	-
Health Plan of NV/Sierra Hlth & Life	21,146	1,060	1,661	23,867
HMO Nevada	DNR	DNR	DNR	*
Hometown Health Plan	0	60,370	2,836	63,206
NevadaCare, Inc.	-	-	-	-
PacifiCare of Nevada, Inc.	5,685	1,385	1,370	8,440
St. Mary's Health First	-	-	-	-
Totals	26,831	62,815	5,867	95,513

Please refer to "TABLE NOTES" for important additional information.

TABLE XIII**PPO ENROLLMENT TRENDS by HEALTH PLAN
March 31, 2004**

Health Plan	Enrollment March 31, 2004	Enrollment March 31, 2003	Difference	Percent Change
Aetna US Healthcare	-	-	-	-
Health Plan of Nevada	23,867	23,163	704	3.0%
HMO Nevada	DNR	41,649	*	*
Hometown Health Plan	63,206	42,347	20,859	49.3%
NevadaCare, Inc.	-	-	-	-
PacifiCare of Nevada, Inc.	8,440	3,055	5,385	176.3%
St. Mary's Health First	-	-	-	-
Totals	95,513	110,214	-14,701	-13.3%

Please refer to "TABLE NOTES" for important additional information.

TABLE NOTES

General Notes on the Tables:

- Distinctions between Zeros, Dashes, DNR, & Asterisks

To increase readability, the following data presentation conventions have been used:

1. Zero: no enrollees within a county for which a Certificate of Authority (COA) has been issued to the HMO.
2. Dash (-): the HMO does not have a COA to operate in the county.

When used in “Total”, “Difference”, or “Percent Change” columns, this convention represents invalid mathematical calculations due to an HMO not having a COA in the county or counties, and therefore not having a valid total number of enrollees for the calculation of interest.

(e.g., in Table III, no HMO has a COA to operate in Eureka county. Therefore the “County Total” column is represented with a dash (-) to indicate an invalid mathematical total.)

In Table I, convention indicates HMO does not provide service to that population category.

3. DNR: Did not report.
 4. Asterisk (*): Value not able to be calculated due to missing data.
- Enrollment Data Reporting and Sources

All enrollment data presented within the *Nevada HMO Industry Profile* are derived from quarterly enrollment reports submitted by each HMO. Geographical allocation of enrollment data is based upon the following guidelines:

- a. Commercial plan enrollment data are reported according to the location of the employer.
- b. Medicare, Medicaid, and Nevada Check Up enrollment data are allocated according to the residence of the enrollee.

- Market Penetration Calculations and Data Sources

In general, market penetration is determined by dividing the number of enrollees by the potential enrollment population of the geographic area. The *HMO Industry Profile* uses the following conventions:

1. *Commercial category:* population (county or statewide) is comprised of age group zero to 64.
2. *Medicare category:* population (count or statewide) is comprised of age group 65 and greater.
3. *Medicaid category:* population is comprised of estimated Medicaid eligible for Clark & Washoe Counties and statewide.

The Nevada State Demographer, University of Nevada, Reno, provides data for the commercial and Medicare category 2000 population projections.

The Nevada State Welfare Division provides data for Medicaid eligible participants.

- Market Penetration Calculations and Data Sources (continued):

The population estimates for Medicaid eligibles were derived from monthly reports whose source is NSWDL Report WL-00427. The statewide totals were compiled by NSWDL from caseload reports for April, May, and June 2003 and the total Medicaid eligible statewide figure was an average of the totals for each month involved.

- Preferred Provider Organization (PPO) Data

Important note: PPOs and HMOs are two distinctively different approaches to healthcare coverage. Because of the differing approaches, service delivery of the two health care plans may also be dissimilar. Additionally, an HMO and a PPO may both be part of the total healthcare product line from the same insurance company.

The PPO information presented within the *Nevada HMO Industry Profile* is not an exhaustive listing of all PPOs that are operating within Nevada. The data presented herein are solely to provide an

- Preferred Provider Organization (PPO) Data (continued):

indication of other managed care activities with which the organization may be involved. The data are presented as reported by the HMO.

Specific Notes on the Tables:

- Table I

Important note: HMO Nevada did not report HMO enrollment for the quarter.

- Table II

Important note: HMO Nevada did not report HMO enrollment for the quarter.

- Table III

Important note: HMO Nevada did not report HMO enrollment for the quarter.

- Table IV

Important note: HMO Nevada did not report HMO enrollment for the quarter. Related trend data could not be calculated due to missing data.

- Table VIII

Rural Column – represents the other 15 counties within the state. Currently, Medicaid rural enrollment is too low to justify development of a separate reporting table.

Market Penetration Statistics - only valid for statewide total. County totals were not available at time of printing due to new recording systems being used by the NSW. The statewide total Medicaid eligible data were an average of Medicaid eligibles for October, November, and December 2003.

- Table XI

Important note: The underlying data for this table were derived from Tables I-IX. Previous notes contained under ***“General Notes on the Tables”*** should be considered in interpreting this data.

Rural Medicaid enrollment is too low to justify reporting the rural eligibility data necessary to develop market penetration information.

- Table XII

Important note: HMO Nevada did not report PPO enrollment for the quarter.

- Table XIII

Important note: HMO Nevada did not report PPO enrollment for the quarter. Related trend data could not be calculated due to missing data.