

## CareSource Submits Medicare Advantage Application

*Plan to Focus on Ohio's Dual Eligible Population*

DAYTON, Ohio, April 30, 2007 – CareSource, a nonprofit health care plan that currently serves more than 525,000 Ohio Medicaid consumers, announced today its intention to offer a Medicare Advantage Special Needs Plan in Ohio in 2008. The company recently submitted its application to the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services.

The new plan, CareSource Advantage, will focus on the dual eligible population, which includes consumers who are eligible for both Medicare and Medicaid.

“We are excited about building on our Medicaid experience to expand our service offering to reach even more underserved consumers,” said Pamela Morris, President and CEO of CareSource Management Group.

As part of the company’s most recent expansion, CareSource has developed an advanced care management and disease management program to support its providers in serving its special needs members.

CareSource recently expanded its managed care offering to include similar programs for the Aged Blind or Disabled (ABD) Medicaid population in Ohio.

Upon approval from the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services, CareSource expects to begin marketing the new plan in October.

### **About CareSource**

CareSource is a nonprofit health plan founded on the principles of quality and service, delivered with compassion and a thorough understanding of the Medicaid consumer. By staying true to its mission of making a difference in the lives of underserved people by improving their health care, CareSource has become one of the largest and fastest growing Medicaid managed care plans in the nation. CareSource now serves more than 525,000 Medicaid consumers in Ohio. With a strong focus on preventative care, CareSource utilizes a continuum of care model that provides case management services to members at all stages of health and illness. In addition to all required services, CareSource offers extra benefits such as a 24-hour nurse advice line, transportation to doctor’s appointments, and a variety of care management programs. For additional information about CareSource, visit [www.caresource-ohio.com](http://www.caresource-ohio.com).

CareSource is serviced by CareSource Management Group, which offers a full spectrum of services for the administration of public-sector health care programs. Among these services are general administration, including claims processing, case and medical management, provider relations, decision support informatics, quality improvement and regulatory compliance; member services, including a member call center and 24-hour nurse advice line; and financial consultation and turnaround. For additional information about CareSource Management Group, visit [www.csmg-online.com](http://www.csmg-online.com).