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## NEW YORK HEALTH PLAN ASSOCIATION ON "HOME CARE SAVINGS & REINVESTMENT ACT" Statement from Eric Linzer, President & CEO

"The transition to managed long-term care, started in 2011, has resulted in a more cost-effective program that has improved the quality of care for patients. MLTC plans have been far more effective in meeting the unique health and long-term care needs of hundreds of thousands of vulnerable New Yorkers than the previous fee-for-service system, ensuring that the care for patients with complex health conditions is coordinated, the social supports they need are in place, and the process is seamless for them.

"The proposal's financial assumptions are seriously flawed as it will fail to generate any savings and reduce the quality of care. It would take away the care that more than 300,000 low-income individuals who want to be in their home have come to depend on, while increasing costs for the State."

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The New York Health Plan Association represents 26 managed care health plans that provide comprehensive health care services to more than 8 million New Yorkers.