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IN WAKE OF KING V. BURWELL DECISION, SAFETY NET HEALTH PLANS CALL FOR FURTHER REFINEMENTS TO HEALTH REFORM

WASHINGTON— Margaret A. Murray, Chief Executive Officer of the Association for Community Affiliated Plans (ACAP), issued the following statement regarding the Supreme Court’s decision in *King v. Burwell*:

“We’re glad the Court applied common sense and found for the defendants. It’s our hope that this ruling brings to a close efforts to destabilize the health care system through the courts, and we can instead focus our collective energies on refining and improving the way health care is paid for, the way health coverage is bought, and the way care itself is delivered.

“Safety Net Health Plans now have more than a year of experience offering coverage through Marketplaces and through other programs—such as Financial Alignment Demonstrations—that came into being through the Affordable Care Act. And what we’ve found is that while the Affordable Care Act has had a profoundly positive impact in terms of bringing affordable coverage to the uninsured and the previously uninsurable, there’s room for improvement to better inform consumer choice, contain costs and assure fair competition in Marketplaces. We have [several ideas](#) to better inform consumer choice and assure a level playing field for Safety Net Health Plans that we will share with Congress and CMS regulators in short order.

“Hopefully, this ruling sets the stage for constructive conversations about the way we can continue to improve on the ideas in health reform and continue to bring affordable health coverage to all of our fellow Americans regardless of income. We’re ready to get to work.”

About ACAP

ACAP represents 59 nonprofit Safety Net Health Plans in 24 states, which collectively serve more than fifteen million people enrolled in Medicaid, Medicare, the Children’s Health Insurance Program (CHIP), and other health programs. For more information, visit www.communityplans.net.

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