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## Neighborhood Health Plan Care Manager Recognized for Innovation and Commitment

**Boston**, **August 2012** — Neighborhood Health Plan (NHP) is pleased to announce that NHP Care Manager Rose Zawia joined other members of the <u>Case Management Society of New England</u> (CMSNE) to accept the 2012 CSMA Chapter Excellence Award for Public Policy at the 22<sup>nd</sup> annual national Conference & Expo in San Francisco.

The CMSA Chapter Excellence and Innovation Awards recognize regional <u>Case Management Society of America</u> chapters that stand out in achieving the organization's mission to promote the growth and value of case management and to support the evolving needs of the case management professional. CMSNE was recognized for its public policy program activities that focus on grassroots efforts to educate legislators and case managers in New England about public policy issues impacting the profession of case management. Most recently, CMSNE led an e-letter writing, education and lobbying campaign in Massachusetts focused on the multi-state licensure compact.

Zawia currently serves on the board of the Massachusetts chapter of CMSNE and as the Extension Chair of the Rhode Island chapter where she provides leadership, direction and coordination of all the state chapter's operations.

Additionally, NHP Clinical Manager Jeanne Mongillo and Care Management Informatics Specialists Martha Badger and Marie Shea presented posters on the topics of "Prenatal Risk Scoring Report: Identified High-Risk Pregnant Women" and "Health Information Technology + Case Management = Success," respectively. The well-received presentations will be repeated at CMSNE's annual conference this fall.

For information about CMSA's Awards, visit <a href="http://www.cmsa.org/Awards">http://www.cmsa.org/Awards</a>.

## About Neighborhood Health Plan:

Neighborhood Health Plan (NHP) is a licensed, not-for-profit Managed Care Organization (MCO) founded in 1986 by the Massachusetts League of Community Health Centers and the Greater Boston Forum for Health Action. NHP provides health care programs and related services to individuals receiving Medicaid benefits through small business employer groups and Massachusetts' groundbreaking health care reform. Working in partnership with community health centers and other community-responsive providers, NHP offers our more than 248,000 members access to care from more than 4,000 credentialed primary care practitioners; 13,400 credentialed specialists; and 65 teaching, community, and specialty hospitals throughout Massachusetts. This includes major academic medical centers such as Massachusetts General Hospital, Brigham and Women's Hospital, Beth Israel Deaconess Medical Center, Children's Hospital, Dana-Farber Cancer Institute and Tufts Medical Center. For more information, please visit www.nhp.org.