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## **Community Care Celebrates 30 Years of PACE**

**BROOKFIELD, Wis. (November 11, 2020)** – This November, <u>Community Care, Inc.</u> celebrates 30 years of offering the <u>Program of All-inclusive Care for the Elderly (PACE)</u> in Wisconsin.

PACE is a unique model of care that provides comprehensive medical and social services to qualifying individuals, 55 and older. <u>An interdisciplinary team</u> of health professionals provides participants with coordinated care designed to help them remain in the community rather than receive care in a nursing home.

The PACE model of care is centered on the belief that it is better for the well-being of seniors with chronic care needs, as well as their families, to be served in the community whenever possible.

"Community Care takes great pride in having established the PACE program here in Wisconsin 30 years ago," said Kenneth Munson, Community Care's chief executive officer. "Through PACE, we are able to provide specialized care to those most vulnerable in the community."

As an early adopter of the PACE model, Community Care is also one of the founding members of the National PACE Association (NPA), which works to advance the efforts of PACE programs throughout the country.

Community Care is the only managed care organization providing the PACE program in Wisconsin. It currently offers the program in Milwaukee, Racine, and Waukesha counties. Community Care also operates two PACE adult day centers, in Milwaukee and Waukesha.

Due to the COVID-19 pandemic, Community Care cancelled their plans to host an in-person anniversary celebration. Instead, Community Care solicited short video messages from employees that they turned into a high-tech anniversary card. <u>The video is available on Community Care's website</u>.

Community Care, Inc., headquartered in Brookfield, Wis., is a private nonprofit organization that serves the long-term care and health needs of more than 10,000 older adults and adults with physical or intellectual disabilities. Founded in 1977, Community Care is the only Wisconsin managed care organization to offer all three programs of Family Care, Family Care Partnership, and Program of All-Inclusive Care for the Elderly (PACE). For more information about Community Care, visit CommunityCareInc.org.