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Local MDwise executive earns top healthcare management credential

INDIANAPOLIS, May 22, 2008 – Charlotte A. MacBeth, J.D., FACHE, president of MDwise, Inc. in Indianapolis, recently became a Fellow of the American College of Healthcare Executives (ACHE), the nation’s leading professional society for healthcare leaders.

“Because healthcare management ultimately affects the people in our communities, it is critically important to have a standard of excellence promoted by a professional organization,” says Thomas C. Dolan, Ph.D., FACHE, CAE, president and chief executive officer of ACHE. “By becoming an ACHE Fellow and simultaneously earning board certification from ACHE, healthcare leaders can show that they are committed to providing high-quality service to their patients and community.”

Fellow status represents achievement of the highest standard of professional development. In fact, only 7,500 healthcare executives hold this distinction. To obtain Fellow status, candidates must fulfill multiple requirements, including passing a comprehensive examination, meeting academic and experiential criteria, earning continuing education credits and demonstrating professional/community involvement. Fellows are also committed to ongoing professional development and undergo recertification every three years.

MacBeth is privileged to use the FACHE credential which signifies board certification in healthcare management and ACHE Fellow status. MacBeth has served as president of MDwise since 1999. She holds a Bachelor’s of Public Health, Master’s of Health Administration, and Doctor of Jurisprudence from Indiana University. She also earned a Master of Business Administration from Butler University. Previously, MacBeth worked as an attorney for Legislative Services Agency, as director of Government Relations at Anthem, and director of Government Relations and Health Policy with the Indiana Health and Hospital Corporation.

For more information regarding the FACHE credential, please contact the ACHE Division of Membership at (312) 424-9400 or membership1@ache.org, or visit the Credentialing area of ache.org.

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MDwise, Inc. is a not-for-profit managed care health plan that began its operations in 1994. MDwise was founded by The Health and Hospital Corporation of Marion County (Wishard Memorial Hospital) and Clarian Health Partners. MDwise has a variety of programs and capabilities to meet the special medical and

social needs of the Medicaid population. Its services are currently provided to more than 300,000 Hoosier Healthwise, *Care Select* and Healthy Indiana Plan members in partnership with over 1,400 primary medical providers and a statewide array of specialists, hospitals and other providers. MDwise and its delivery systems provide a fully integrated network of hospitals, community health centers, physicians and ancillary providers. Services are delivered through this delivery system model of managed care to provide a coordinated, comprehensive approach to managing the cost and utilization of health care services.

The American College of Healthcare Executives is an international professional society of more than 30,000 healthcare executives who lead our nation's hospitals, healthcare systems and other healthcare organizations. AHCE is known for its prestigious credentialing and educational programs and its annual Congress on Healthcare Leadership, which draws more than 4,500 participants each year. ACHE is also known for its journal, the *Journal of Healthcare Management*, and magazine, *Healthcare Executive*, as well as ground-breaking research and career development and public policy programs. ACHE's publishing division, Health Administration Press, is one of the largest publishers of books and journals on all aspects of health services management in addition to textbooks for use in college and university courses. Through such efforts, ACHE works toward its goal of being the premier professional society for healthcare leaders by providing exceptional value to its members.