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## News Release

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### **VISTA Goes Live With Availity for Batch Electronic Claims** *VISTA Healthplans batch claims now available on the Availity® Gateway*

JACKSONVILLE, FL – Vista Healthplan, Inc. (VISTA), a health benefits company headquartered in Hollywood, Florida, is now available to providers for the transmission of HIPAA compliant electronic claims via The Availity Gateway, a leading e-health information exchange. Under this partnership, health care providers are able to send electronic professional and institutional claims to VISTA, while real-time inquiries regarding claim status have been supported for VISTA on the portal since 2003.

The Availity Gateway securely processes transactions for multiple health plans, including inquiries for patient eligibility and benefits, referrals, authorizations, claim submission, remittance, and claim status inquiries – all at no cost to physicians and other health care professionals. These transactions are supported online in real-time and in batch via electronic data interchange (EDI). Availity currently supports roughly 14,000 physician offices and all hospitals in Florida.

“Our partnership with Availity is part of our overall strategy to make the transactions between VISTA and our provider community hassle-free” said David Gallegos, VISTA’s chief information officer. “By streamlining our interactions with providers, we strive to be the provider’s health plan of choice.

“VISTA has been a truly strong partner and asset since our relationship formed,” said Dan Chavez, Senior Vice President of business operations for Availity. “We look forward to offering this latest functionality to their providers, which should result in cost and time savings to both the provider community and to VISTA.”

#### **About Availity, L.L.C. – Patients. Not paperwork.®**

Availity optimizes the flow of information between health care professionals, health plans, and other health care stakeholders through a secure internet-based exchange. The Availity® Gateway encompasses administrative and clinical services, supports both real-time and batch transactions via the Web and electronic data interchange (EDI), and is HIPAA compliant. Availity is the recipient of several national and regional awards, including Consumer Directed Health Care, A.S.A.P. Alliance Innovation, eHealthcare Leadership, Northeast Florida Excellence in IT Leadership, E-Fusion, Emerging Technologies and Healthcare Innovations Excellence (TETHIE), and AstraZeneca-NMHCC Partnership. For more information, including an online demonstration of the Availity Gateway, visit [www.availity.com](http://www.availity.com) or call 1.800.AVAILITY (282.4548).

#### **About VISTA**

VISTA, through its affiliated companies, Vista Healthplan, Inc., Vista Healthplan of South Florida, Inc. and Vista Insurance Plan, Inc., offers a choice of health benefit plans including health maintenance organization (HMO), preferred provider organization (PPO) and point-of-service (POS). Headquartered in Hollywood, Florida, the VISTA companies provide health benefits coverage to nearly 300,000 members and 10,000 employers in Florida through employer group and individual plans, Medicare, Medicaid and Florida’s Healthy Kids program. More than 5,000 independent physicians and the area’s leading hospitals participate in VISTA’s provider network. Vista Healthplan, Inc. and Vista Healthplan of South Florida, Inc. are accredited by the Accreditation Association for Ambulatory Health Care (AAAHC). More information about VISTA is available at [www.vistahealthplan.com](http://www.vistahealthplan.com).