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## BLUE CROSS/BLUE SHIELD OF KANSAS SUCCESSFUL IN CONTRACT BID

Washington, D.C. -- Blue Cross and Blue Shield of Kansas has been awarded the Medicare Part B contract for Nebraska beneficiaries according to Senator Bob Dole (R-KS). The contract, worth an estimated \$3-5 million annually, is expected to result in the addition of 120 new jobs in Topeka and 30 jobs in Nebraska.

"I am pleased that I was able to play a role in the selection of Blue Cross and Blue Shield of Kansas for this important contract," said Senator Dole. "Now Nebraskans can enjoy the same high quality service currently provided by Blue Cross/Blue Shield to Kansans."

Senator Dole wrote Department of Health and Human Services Secretary Otis Bowen on two occasions in support of the Kansas Blue Cross and Blue Shield proposal.

"Kansas has a right to be proud because there was stiff competition for this contract," said Dole. "With Kansas administering Nebraska's Medicare Part B program, beneficiaries in Nebraska can be assured of quality service close to home and not thousands of miles away."