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**Harbour Women's Health Assists with Continuity of Care
For Cigna Patients Following February 1st Deadline**

Portsmouth, NH – Harbour Women's Health has announced their commitment to assisting their current obstetric patients who may be affected by insurance contract negotiations. This announcement comes in response to the current contract negotiations between Cigna and HCA Healthcare, the company that owns Portsmouth Regional Hospital. Cigna insurance customers were recently notified that Portsmouth Regional Hospital may no longer be in-network as of February 1, 2020.

"Our providers and office staff are closely monitoring the situation with Cigna," said Caroline Scoones, MD, of Harbour Women's Health. "We understand rising concerns and are dedicated to working closely with our patients and their insurance providers to ensure they are receiving the quality of care they deserve. It is important that our patients deliver their babies with providers they know and trust."

Harbour Women's Health reports patients who have high-risk pregnancies or who have already entered their third trimester may be able to continue receiving services from their original provider through delivery. The providers of Harbour Women's Health are committed to advocating for their patients to ensure they receive the highest quality of care while reducing risks to mother and baby related to obstetric transfers.

The Harbour Women's Health providers are proud to perform deliveries at the Seacoast Family Care Services at Portsmouth Regional Hospital. We maintain a close and communicative relationship with maternal fetal medicine specialists and are dedicated to delivering high-quality, seamless and continuous care for all patients.

Office staff at Harbour Women's Health are reaching out to our obstetric patients who are currently covered by Cigna insurance to answer questions and provide support. We encourage patients to call our Portsmouth office at (603) 431-6011 with any questions or concerns.

ABOUT HARBOUR WOMEN'S HEALTH

Located in Portsmouth, New Hampshire, Harbour Women's Health offers obstetrics and gynecology physicians, a fellowship-trained Urogynecologist, North American Menopause Society (NAMS) certified practitioners, and Women's Health Nurse Practitioners on staff to care

for patients. Harbour Women's Health has been awarded Patient-Centered Specialty Practice Recognition by the National Committee for Quality Assurance and has achieved Safety Certification in Outpatient Practice Excellence from the American Congress of Obstetricians and Gynecologists. For over 50 years, Harbour Women's Health providers have focused on both progressive and conventional care, while maintaining a conservative approach to surgery. Harbour Women's Health supports local community and related women's causes, including Families First, where Harbour Women's Health providers offer obstetrical care as part of a collaborative effort with the organization. The practice was voted First Place for Best OB/GYN in 2017, 2018 and 2019 in the Best of the Seacoast and is proud to have two providers named as New Hampshire Magazine 2019 Top Doctors. For more information, visit www.harbourwomenshealth.com.

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