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### **COVENTRY HEALTH CARE TO SPEAK AT THE J.P. MORGAN HEALTHCARE CONFERENCE**

Bethesda, Maryland (January 9, 2009) – Coventry Health Care, Inc. (NYSE: CVH) announced today that the Company is scheduled to present at the 27<sup>th</sup> Annual J.P. Morgan Healthcare Conference in San Francisco, California, at 4:30 p.m. ET on Wednesday, January 14, 2009.

The public may access a live webcast of the presentation and accompanying slides on the Investor Relations page of Coventry's website at [www.coventryhealthcare.com](http://www.coventryhealthcare.com). A replay of the presentation will be available at the same website following the presentation until Wednesday, January 21, 2009.

Coventry Health Care ([www.coventryhealthcare.com](http://www.coventryhealthcare.com)) is a diversified national managed healthcare company based in Bethesda, Maryland, operating health plans, insurance companies, network rental and workers' compensation services companies. Through its Commercial Business, Individual Consumer & Government Business, and Specialty Business divisions, Coventry provides a full range of risk and fee-based managed care products and services to a broad cross section of individuals, employer and government-funded groups, government agencies, and other insurance carriers and administrators.