Exhibit 1

UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT MIDDLE DISTRICT OF LOUISIANA

ROBERT F. BACH, et al.,

Plaintiffs.

V.

AMEDISYS, INC., et al.,

Defendants.

Consolidated Securities Class Action

Civil Action No. 10-00395-BAJ-RB

Consolidated With:

No. 10-464-BAJ-RB

No. 10-470-BAJ-RB

No. 10-497-BAJ-RB

STIPULATION AND AGREEMENT OF SETTLEMENT

This Stipulation and Agreement of Settlement, dated as of August 4, 2017 (the "Stipulation") is entered into between (i) the Public Employees' Retirement System of Mississippi and the Puerto Rico Teachers' Retirement System ("Lead Plaintiffs"), on behalf of themselves and the other members of the Settlement Class (defined below); and (ii) Defendants Amedisys, Inc. ("Amedisys"), Wendy Stabiler Borne as the Independent Executrix of the Succession of William F. Borne, Jeffrey D. Jeter, Dale E. Redman, Larry R. Graham, Alice Ann Schwartz, Gregory Browne and John F. Giblin (the "Defendants," and together with Lead Plaintiffs, the "Parties"), by and through their respective undersigned counsel, and embodies the terms and conditions of the proposed Settlement between the Parties reached in the above-captioned action (the "Action"). Subject to the approval of the Court and the terms and conditions expressly provided herein, this Stipulation is intended to fully, finally and forever compromise, settle, release, resolve, and dismiss with prejudice all claims asserted in the Action.¹

 $^{^1}$ All terms with initial capitalization not otherwise defined herein shall have the meanings ascribed to them in $\P 1$ herein.

WHEREAS:

- A. On June 10, 2010, the Action was commenced with the filing of a securities class action complaint in the United States District Court for the Middle District of Louisiana, styled *Robert F. Bach and Diane M. Bach v. Amedisys, Inc., William F. Borne, and Dale E. Redman*, Case No. 1:10-cv-00395.
- B. By Order dated October 21, 2010, the Court appointed the Public Employees' Retirement System of Mississippi and the Puerto Rico Teachers' Retirement System as Lead Plaintiffs for the Action and approved Lead Plaintiffs' selection of Bernstein Litowitz Berger & Grossmann LLP and Wolf Popper LLP as Lead Counsel, and Richard Ieyoub, Esq. as Liaison Counsel.
- C. On January 18, 2011, Lead Plaintiffs filed their Consolidated Securities Class Action Complaint (the "Consolidated Complaint") asserting claims against all Defendants under Section 10(b) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 (the "Exchange Act") and Rule 10b-5 promulgated thereunder, and against the Individual Defendants under Section 20(a) of the Exchange Act. The Consolidated Complaint alleged, among other things, that Defendants issued materially false and misleading public statements that misrepresented Amedisys's compliance with Medicare regulations, and failed to disclose that Amedisys's reported revenues, earnings and earnings per share were materially inflated by fraudulent Medicare billing practices from August 2, 2005 through and including September 28, 2010. The Consolidated Complaint further alleged that the price of Amedisys's stock price was artificially inflated as a result of Defendants' allegedly false and misleading statements and omissions, and declined when the truth was revealed. On March 21, 2011, Defendants moved to dismiss the Consolidated Complaint pursuant to Fed. R.

- Civ. P. 12(b)(6) for failure to state a claim for securities fraud. Lead Plaintiffs opposed that motion on May 3, 2011, and Defendants filed a reply in support of their motion on May 31, 2011.
- D. On June 28, 2012, the Court granted Defendants' motion to dismiss the Consolidated Complaint for failure to adequately allege loss causation.
- E. On July 26, 2012, Lead Plaintiffs filed a Motion for Reconsideration of the Court's Opinion and Order Dismissing the Consolidated Complaint and on August 29, 2012, Defendants opposed the Motion for Reconsideration. On April 9, 2013, the Court denied Plaintiffs' Motion for Reconsideration.
- F. On May 3, 2013, Plaintiffs filed a Notice of Appeal to the U.S. Court of Appeals for the Fifth Circuit from the Court's Orders dated June 28, 2012 and April 9, 2013. On October 2, 2014, the Fifth Circuit unanimously reversed and vacated the District Court's Order. *See Pub. Employees' Ret. Sys. of Miss. v. Amedisys, Inc.*, 769 F.3d 313 (5th Cir. 2014). The Fifth Circuit held that Plaintiffs adequately pled loss causation. Defendants subsequently petitioned the U.S. Supreme Court for writ of certiorari and the Supreme Court denied Defendants' petition. *See Amedisys, Inc. v. Pub. Employees' Ret. Sys. of Miss.*, 135 S. Ct. 2892 (2015).
- G. On remand, on September 30, 2015, over Defendants' opposition, the District Court granted Plaintiffs' motion for leave to file an amended complaint and, that day, Plaintiffs filed the First Amended Consolidated Securities Class Action Complaint (the "Complaint" or "Amended Complaint") on behalf of purchasers of Amedisys securities during the period from August 2, 2005 through September 30, 2011, inclusive.
- H. On December 15, 2015, Defendants again moved to dismiss the Amended Complaint, challenging the elements of falsity and scienter. On January 29, 2016, Lead Plaintiffs opposed Defendants' motions to dismiss.

- I. On June 21, 2016, with Defendants' motions to dismiss *sub judice*, the parties held a mediation before the Hon. Daniel Weinstein (ret.) in an attempt to resolve the Action. That mediation was unsuccessful.
- J. On August 19, 2016, the Court denied Defendants' motions to dismiss in part and granted them in part. The Court sustained Lead Plaintiffs' §10(b) claims against Defendants Amedisys, Borne, and Jeter, and sustained the §20(a) claims against Defendants Borne, Jeter, Schwartz, Redman, and Graham. The Court dismissed with prejudice the §10(b) claims against Defendants Graham, Redman, Giblin, Browne, and Schwartz and dismissed with prejudice the §20(a) claims against Defendants Giblin and Browne.
- K. Discovery was stayed pending the Court's denial of Defendants' motion to dismiss. Subsequent to the Court's August 19, 2016 decision, the parties exchanged initial disclosures and served and responded to requests for production of documents and interrogatories and commenced document production. Defendants began to produce documents that they previously produced to the SEC, DOJ and Senate Finance Committee and began collecting and producing to Lead Plaintiffs documents responsive to Lead Plaintiffs' document requests that Defendants had not already produced in connection with the government investigations. Lead Plaintiffs also commenced third-party discovery and issued Freedom of Information Act requests to the DOJ and SEC.
- L. On March 23, 2017, Magistrate Judge Bourgeois held a scheduling conference to discuss the parties' competing schedules. On May 24, 2017, the Court entered a Scheduling Order, which directed, among other things, that briefing on Lead Plaintiffs' motion for class certification be completed by October 27, 2017; a hearing on Lead Plaintiffs' motion for class certification be

conducted on November 9, 2017; and that document production related to general fact discovery be substantially completed by October 19, 2017.

- M. On June 12, 2017, the Parties participated in a subsequent mediation with the Hon. Layn R. Phillips, a former United States District Judge. After a full day of arm's-length negotiations and discussions with Judge Phillips, and based on a mediator's proposal by Judge Phillips, the Parties reached an agreement in principle to settle the Action that was memorialized in a term sheet executed on June 12, 2017 (the "Term Sheet"). The Term Sheet sets forth, among other things, the Parties' agreement to settle and release all claims asserted in the Action in return for a cash payment of \$43,750,000.00, to be paid by or on behalf of Defendants for the benefit of the Settlement Class. No Individual Defendant shall be personally responsible for funding any portion of the Settlement Amount.
- N. At the time the settlement was reached, Lead Plaintiffs were in the process of working with their market efficiency expert concerning his expert report on class certification issues, which was due to be served on June 19, 2017.
- O. This Stipulation (together with the exhibits hereto) reflects the final and binding agreement between the Parties.
- P. Based upon their investigation, prosecution and mediation of the case, Lead Plaintiffs and Lead Counsel have concluded that the terms and conditions of this Stipulation are fair, reasonable and adequate to Lead Plaintiffs and the other members of the Settlement Class, and in their best interests. Based on Lead Plaintiffs' direct oversight of the prosecution of this matter and with the advice of their counsel, Lead Plaintiffs have agreed to settle and release the claims raised in the Action pursuant to the terms and provisions of this Stipulation, after considering, among other things: (a) the substantial financial benefit that Lead Plaintiffs and the

other members of the Settlement Class will receive under the proposed Settlement; and (b) the significant risks and costs of continued litigation and trial.

This Stipulation constitutes a compromise of matters that are in dispute between Q. the Parties. Defendants are entering into this Stipulation solely to eliminate the uncertainty, burden and expense of further protracted litigation. Each of the Defendants denies any wrongdoing, and this Stipulation shall in no event be construed or deemed to be evidence of or an admission or concession on the part of any of the Defendants with respect to any claim or allegation of any fault or liability or wrongdoing or damage whatsoever, or any infirmity in the defenses that Defendants have, or could have, asserted. Defendants expressly deny that Lead Plaintiffs have asserted any valid claims as to any of them, and expressly deny any and all allegations of fault, liability, wrongdoing or damages whatsoever. Similarly, this Stipulation shall in no event be construed or deemed to be evidence of or an admission or concession on the part of Lead Plaintiffs of any infirmity in any of the claims asserted in the Action, or an admission or concession that any of the Defendants' defenses to liability had any merit. Each of the Parties recognizes and acknowledges, however, that the Action has been initiated, filed and prosecuted by Lead Plaintiffs in good faith and defended by Defendants in good faith, that the Action is being voluntarily settled with the advice of counsel, and that the terms of the Settlement are fair, adequate and reasonable.

NOW THEREFORE, it is hereby STIPULATED AND AGREED, by and among Lead Plaintiffs (individually and on behalf of all other members of the Settlement Class) and Defendants (by and through their respective undersigned attorneys) that, subject to the approval of the Court pursuant to Rule 23(e) of the Federal Rules of Civil Procedure, in consideration of the benefits flowing to the Parties from the Settlement, the Action shall be fully and finally dismissed with prejudice and all Released Plaintiffs' Claims as against the Defendants' Releasees and all Released

Defendants' Claims as against the Plaintiffs' Releasees shall be settled and released, upon and subject to the terms and conditions set forth below.

DEFINITIONS

- 1. As used in this Stipulation and any exhibits attached hereto and made a part hereof, the following capitalized terms shall have the following meanings:
- (a) "Action" means the securities class action in the matter styled *Robert F*.

 Bach, et al. v. Amedisys, Inc. et al., Case No. 10-00395-BAJ-RB (M.D. La).
 - (b) "Amedisys" or the "Company" means Amedisys, Inc.
- (c) "Authorized Claimant" means a Settlement Class Member who submits a Proof of Claim Form to the Claims Administrator that is approved by the Court for payment from the Net Settlement Fund.
- (d) "Claim" means a Proof of Claim Form submitted to the Claims Administrator.
- (e) "Claim Form" or "Proof of Claim Form" means the form, substantially in the form attached hereto as Exhibit 2 to Exhibit A, that a Claimant or Settlement Class Member must complete and submit should that Claimant or Settlement Class Member seek to share in a distribution of the Net Settlement Fund.
- (f) "Claimant" means a person or entity who or which submits a Claim Form to the Claims Administrator seeking to be eligible to share in the proceeds of the Settlement Fund.
- (g) "Claims Administrator" means the firm retained by Lead Plaintiffs and Lead Counsel, subject to approval of the Court, to provide all notices approved by the Court to potential Settlement Class Members and to administer the Settlement.

- (h) "Class Distribution Order" means an order entered by the Court authorizing and directing that the Net Settlement Fund be distributed, in whole or in part, to Authorized Claimants.
- (i) "Complaint" or "Amended Complaint" means the First Amended Consolidated Securities Class Action Complaint filed by Lead Plaintiffs in the Action on September 30, 2015.
- (j) "Court" means the United States District Court for the Middle District of Louisiana.
 - (k) "Defendants" means Amedisys and the Individual Defendants.
- (l) "Defendants' Counsel" means the law firms Jones Day, Kantrow Spaht, Weaver & Blitzer (APLC), and Phelps Dunbar LLP.
- (m) "Defendants' Releasees" means Defendants and their respective current and former Officers, directors, agents, parents, affiliates, subsidiaries, successors, predecessors, assigns, assignees, employees, Immediate Family members, insurers and reinsurers, accountants, and attorneys, in their capacities as such.
- (n) "Effective Date" with respect to the Settlement means the first date by which all of the events and conditions subsequent specified in ¶ 34 of this Stipulation have been met and have occurred or have been waived.
- (o) "Escrow Account" means an account maintained at Valley National Bank wherein the Settlement Amount shall be deposited and held in escrow under the control of Lead Counsel.
 - (p) "Escrow Agent" means Valley National Bank.

- (q) "Escrow Agreement" means the agreement between Lead Counsel and the Escrow Agent setting forth the terms under which the Escrow Agent shall maintain the Escrow Account.
- (r) "Final," with respect to the Judgment or any other court order, means: (i) if no appeal is filed, the expiration date of the time provided for filing or noticing any appeal under the Federal Rules of Appellate Procedure, *i.e.*, thirty (30) days after entry of the judgment or order; or (ii) if there is an appeal from the judgment or order, (a) the date of final dismissal of all such appeals, or the final dismissal of any proceeding on certiorari or otherwise, or (b) the date the judgment or order is finally affirmed on an appeal, the expiration of the time to file a petition for a writ of certiorari or other form of review, or the denial of a writ of certiorari or other form of review, and, if certiorari or other form of review is granted, the date of final affirmance following review pursuant to that grant. However, any appeal or proceeding seeking subsequent judicial review pertaining solely to an order issued with respect to (i) attorneys' fees, costs or expenses, or (ii) the plan of allocation of the Net Settlement Fund (as submitted or subsequently modified), shall not in any way constitute grounds for cancellation or termination of the Settlement, affect its terms, or affect or delay the date on which the Judgment becomes Final.
- (s) "Immediate Family" means children, stepchildren, parents, stepparents, spouses, siblings, mothers-in-law, fathers-in-law, sons-in-law, daughters-in-law, brothers-in-law, and sisters-in-law. As used in this paragraph, "spouse" shall mean a husband, a wife, or a partner in a state-recognized domestic relationship or civil union.
- (t) "Individual Defendants" means Wendy Stabiler Borne as the Independent Executrix of the Succession of William F. Borne, Jeffrey D. Jeter, Dale E. Redman, Larry R. Graham, Alice Ann Schwartz, Gregory Browne, and John F. Giblin.

- (u) "Judgment" means the final judgment, substantially in the form attached hereto as Exhibit B, to be entered by the Court approving the Settlement.
- (v) "Lead Counsel" means the law firms Bernstein Litowitz Berger & Grossmann LLP and Wolf Popper LLP.
- (w) "Litigation Expenses" means costs and expenses incurred in connection with commencing, prosecuting and settling the Action (which may include the costs and expenses of Lead Plaintiffs directly related to their representation of the Settlement Class), for which Lead Counsel intend to apply to the Court for reimbursement from the Settlement Fund.
 - (x) "Local Counsel" means Ieyoub Law Firm, LLC.
- (y) "Net Settlement Fund" means the Settlement Fund less: (i) any Taxes;(ii) any Notice and Administration Costs; (iii) any Litigation Expenses awarded by the Court; and(iv) any attorneys' fees awarded by the Court.
- (z) "Notice" means the Notice of (I) Pendency of Class Action and Certification of Settlement Class; (II) Proposed Settlement; (III) Settlement Hearing; and (IV) Motion for an Award of Attorneys' Fees and Reimbursement of Litigation Expenses, substantially in the form attached hereto as Exhibit 1 to Exhibit A, which is to be mailed to Settlement Class Members.
- (aa) "Notice and Administration Costs" means the costs, fees and expenses that are incurred by the Claims Administrator and/or Lead Counsel in connection with: (i) providing notice to the Settlement Class; and (ii) administering the Settlement, including but not limited to the Claims process, as well as the costs, fees and expenses incurred in connection with the Escrow Account.
- (bb) "Officer" means any officer as that term is defined in Securities and Exchange Act Rule 16a-1(f).

- (cc) "Parties" means Defendants and Lead Plaintiffs, on behalf of themselves and the Settlement Class.
- (dd) "Plaintiffs' Counsel" means Lead Counsel, Local Counsel, and all other legal counsel who, at the direction and under the supervision of Lead Counsel, performed services on behalf of the Settlement Class in the Action.
- (ee) "Plaintiffs' Releasees" means Lead Plaintiffs and their attorneys, including Plaintiffs' Counsel, and all other Settlement Class Members, and their respective current and former Officers, directors, agents, parents, affiliates, subsidiaries, successors, predecessors, assigns, assignees, employees, Immediate Family members, insurers and reinsurers, accountants, and attorneys, in their capacities as such.
- (ff) "Plan of Allocation" means the proposed plan of allocation of the Net Settlement Fund set forth in the Notice.
- (gg) "Preliminary Approval Order" means the order, substantially in the form attached hereto as Exhibit A, to be entered by the Court preliminarily approving the Settlement and directing that notice of the Settlement be provided to the Settlement Class.
- (hh) "Released Claims" means all Released Defendants' Claims and all Released Plaintiffs' Claims.
- (ii) "Released Defendants' Claims" means any and all claims or causes of action of every nature and description (including "Unknown Claims"), whether arising under federal, state, common or foreign law, that arise out of, are based upon, or relate in any way to the institution, prosecution, or settlement of the claims against Defendants, except for claims relating to the enforcement of the Settlement.

- "Released Plaintiffs' Claims" means any and all claims (including (ii) "Unknown Claims"), debts, disputes, demands, rights, actions or causes of action, liabilities, damages, losses, obligations, sums of money due, judgments, suits, amounts, matters, issues and charges of any kind whatsoever (including, not limited to, any claims of interest, attorneys' fees. expert or consulting fees, and any other costs, expenses, amounts, or liabilities whatsoever), whether fixed or contingent, accrued or unaccrued, liquidated or unliquidated, at law or in equity, matured or unmatured, foreseen or unforeseen, whether individual or class in nature, whether arising under federal or state statutory or common law or any other law, rule or regulation, whether foreign or domestic, that Lead Plaintiffs or the Settlement Class: (1) alleged in any complaint filed in the Action, or (2) could have asserted in any forum that arise out of, are based upon, or are related to the facts, allegations, transactions, matters, events, disclosures, non-disclosures, occurrences, representations, statements, acts or omissions or failures to act involved, set forth, or referred to in any complaint filed in the Action and that relate to the purchase of Amedisys common stock during the Settlement Class Period, or that otherwise would have been barred by res judicata had the Action been fully litigated to a final judgment. "Released Plaintiffs' Claims" do not include any claims to enforce the Settlement.
- (kk) "Releasee(s)" means each and any of the Defendants' Releasees and each and any of the Plaintiffs' Releasees.
 - (II) "Releases" means the releases set forth in ¶¶ 5-6 of this Stipulation.
- (mm) "Settlement" means the settlement between Lead Plaintiffs and Defendants on the terms and conditions set forth in this Stipulation.

- (nn) "Settlement Amount" means \$43,750,000.00 in cash, to be paid by or on behalf of Defendants. No Individual Defendant shall be personally responsible for funding any portion of the Settlement Amount.
- (oo) "Settlement Class" means all persons and entities who or which purchased the publicly traded common stock of Amedisys during the period from August 2, 2005 through September 30, 2011, inclusive (the "Settlement Class Period"), and were damaged thereby. Excluded from the Settlement Class are (i) Defendants, and all current and former officers and directors of Amedisys; (ii) members of the Immediate Family and household members of any such person excluded under (i); (iii) any entities affiliated with, controlled by, or more than 5% owned by, any person excluded under (i) and (ii); (iv) any parent, subsidiary or affiliate of Amedisys, including the Amedisys, Inc. 401(k) Plan; and (v) the legal representatives, heirs, successors, or assigns of any person excluded under (i) through (iv).
- (pp) "Settlement Class Member" means each person and entity who or which is a member of the Settlement Class.
- (qq) "Settlement Class Period" means the period from August 2, 2005 through September 30, 2011, inclusive.
- (rr) "Settlement Fund" means the Settlement Amount plus any and all interest earned thereon.
- (ss) "Settlement Hearing" means the hearing set by the Court under Rule 23(e)(2) of the Federal Rules of Civil Procedure to consider final approval of the Settlement.
- (tt) "Summary Notice" means the Summary Notice of (I) Pendency of Class Action and Certification of Settlement Class; (II) Proposed Settlement; (III) Settlement Hearing; and (IV) Motion for an Award of Attorneys' Fees and Reimbursement of Litigation Expenses,

substantially in the form attached hereto as Exhibit 3 to Exhibit A, to be published as set forth in the Preliminary Approval Order.

(uu) "Taxes" means: (i) all federal, state and/or local taxes of any kind (including any interest or penalties thereon) on any income earned by the Settlement Fund; (ii) the expenses and costs incurred by Lead Counsel in connection with determining the amount of, and paying, any taxes owed by the Settlement Fund (including, without limitation, expenses of tax attorneys and accountants); and (iii) all taxes imposed on payments by the Settlement Fund, including withholding taxes.

(vv) "Unknown Claims" means any Released Plaintiffs' Claims which any Lead Plaintiff or any other Settlement Class Member does not know or suspect to exist in his, her or its favor at the time of the release of such claims, and any Released Defendants' Claims which any Defendant does not know or suspect to exist in his, her, or its favor at the time of the release of such claims, which, if known by him, her or it, might have affected his, her or its decision(s) with respect to this Settlement. With respect to any and all Released Claims, Lead Plaintiffs and Defendants stipulate and agree that, upon the Effective Date of the Settlement, Lead Plaintiffs and Defendants shall expressly waive, and each of the other Settlement Class Members shall be deemed to have waived, and by operation of the Judgment shall have expressly waived, any and all provisions, rights, and benefits conferred by any law of any state or territory of the United States, or principle of common law or foreign law, which is similar, comparable, or equivalent to California Civil Code §1542, which provides:

A general release does not extend to claims which the creditor does not know or suspect to exist in his or her favor at the time of executing the release, which if known by him or her must have materially affected his or her settlement with the debtor.

Lead Plaintiffs and Defendants acknowledge, and each of the other Settlement Class Members shall be deemed by operation of law to have acknowledged, that the foregoing waiver was separately bargained for and a key element of the Settlement.

CLASS CERTIFICATION

2. Solely for purposes of the Settlement and for no other purpose, Defendants stipulate and agree to: (a) certification of the Action as a class action pursuant to Rules 23(a) and 23(b)(3) of the Federal Rules of Civil Procedure on behalf of the Settlement Class; (b) certification of Lead Plaintiffs as Class Representatives for the Settlement Class; and (c) appointment of Lead Counsel as Class Counsel for the Settlement Class pursuant to Rule 23(g) of the Federal Rules of Civil Procedure. In the event that the Judgment does not become Final or the Settlement fails to become effective for any reason, the Parties reserve all their rights on all issues, including class certification.

PRELIMINARY APPROVAL OF SETTLEMENT

3. Within ten (10) business days following the execution of this Stipulation, Lead Plaintiffs will move for preliminary approval of the Settlement, certification of the Settlement Class for settlement purposes only, and the scheduling of a hearing for consideration of final approval of the Settlement, which motion shall be unopposed by Defendants. Concurrently with the motion for preliminary approval, Lead Plaintiffs shall apply to the Court for, and Defendants shall agree to, entry of the Preliminary Approval Order, substantially in the form attached hereto as Exhibit A.

RELEASE OF CLAIMS

4. The obligations incurred pursuant to this Stipulation are in consideration of: (i) the full and final dismissal with prejudice of the Action; and (ii) the Releases provided for herein.

- Date of the Settlement, Lead Plaintiffs and each of the other Settlement Class Members, on behalf of themselves and their respective heirs, executors, administrators, predecessors, successors, and assigns, in their capacities as such, shall be deemed to have, and by operation of law and of the judgment shall have, fully, finally and forever compromised, settled, released, resolved, relinquished, waived and discharged each and every Released Plaintiffs' Claim against Defendants and the other Defendants' Releasees, and shall forever be barred and enjoined from prosecuting any or all of the Released Plaintiffs' Claims against any of the Defendants' Releasees, including appeal of the prior dismissal of any Individual Defendant from the Action.
- 6. Pursuant to the Judgment, without further action by anyone, upon the Effective Date of the Settlement, Defendants, on behalf of themselves and their respective heirs, executors, administrators, predecessors, successors, and assigns, in their capacities as such, shall be deemed to have, and by operation of law and of the judgment shall have, fully, finally and forever compromised, settled, released, resolved, relinquished, waived and discharged each and every Released Defendants' Claim against Lead Plaintiffs and the other Plaintiffs' Releasees, and shall forever be barred and enjoined from prosecuting any or all of the Released Defendants' Claims against any of the Plaintiffs' Releasees. This release shall not apply to any claims against any person or entity who or which submits a request for exclusion from the Settlement Class that is accepted by the Court.
- 7. Notwithstanding ¶¶ 5-6 above, nothing in the Judgment shall bar any action by any of the Parties to enforce or effectuate the terms of this Stipulation or the Judgment.

THE SETTLEMENT CONSIDERATION

- 8. In consideration of the settlement of the Released Plaintiffs' Claims against Defendants and the Defendants' Releasees, Defendants shall cause to be delivered by wire or check the Settlement Amount for deposit into the Escrow Account within fifteen (15) business days following the Court's entry of an order granting preliminary approval of the Settlement. Before Defendants cause the Settlement Amount to be deposited, Lead Counsel shall provide complete W-9 and wire transfer and check payment instructions (including contact information and a physical address for the recipient of the Settlement Amount) to Defendants at least fifteen (15) business days prior to the date of such payment. As of the time that the Settlement Amount is deposited into the Escrow Account, Defendants and Defendants' insurance carriers shall no longer have any interest in the Escrow Account except for a contingent interest in the event that the condition subsequent of the occurrence of the Effective Date of the Settlement does not occur.
- 9. Upon the payment of the Settlement Amount in accordance with ¶ 8 above and the entry of the Judgment, all material obligations under the Stipulation of Lead Plaintiffs, on the one hand, and Defendants, on the other hand, shall be deemed performed. Any further effort or responsibility pursuant to the Stipulation to defend against any appeal or proceeding seeking judicial review of the Judgment shall not render this Settlement executory as that term is interpreted to mean under 11 U.S.C. § 365. Immediately following the entry of the Judgment, the Settlement Fund in the Escrow Account shall vest in the Settlement Class. The Settlement Fund in the Escrow Account: (i) shall not be further depleted or transferred pending the condition subsequent of the occurrence of the Effective Date, except as provided herein to pay Notice and Administration Costs, Taxes, and Court-ordered attorneys' fees and Litigation Expenses; and (ii) shall be subject to return only if the condition subsequent of the Effective Date occurring does not

occur. Defendants and Defendants' insurance carriers shall have no other interest in the Escrow Account except for the contingent interest described above in the event that the Effective Date does not subsequently occur.

USE OF SETTLEMENT FUND

- 10. The Settlement Fund shall be used to pay: (a) any Taxes; (b) any Notice and Administration Costs; (c) any Litigation Expenses awarded by the Court; and (d) any attorneys' fees awarded by the Court. The balance remaining in the Settlement Fund, that is, the Net Settlement Fund, shall be distributed to Authorized Claimants as provided in ¶ 20-32 below.
- Fund shall remain in the Escrow Account prior to the Effective Date. All funds held by the Escrow Agent shall be deemed to be in the custody of the Court and shall remain subject to the jurisdiction of the Court until such time as the funds shall be distributed or returned pursuant to the terms of this Stipulation and/or further order of the Court. The Escrow Agent shall invest any funds in the Escrow Account exclusively in United States Treasury Bills (or a mutual fund invested solely in such instruments) and shall collect and reinvest all interest accrued thereon, except that any residual cash balances up to the amount that is insured by the FDIC may be deposited in any account that is fully insured by the FDIC. In the event that the yield on United States Treasury Bills is negative, in lieu of purchasing such Treasury Bills, all or any portion of the funds held by the Escrow Agent may be deposited in any account that is fully insured by the FDIC or backed by the full faith and credit of the United States. Additionally, if short-term placement of the funds is necessary, all or any portion of the funds held by the Escrow Agent may be deposited in any account that is fully insured by the FDIC or backed by the full faith and credit of the United States.

- 12. The Parties agree that the Settlement Fund is intended to be a Qualified Settlement Fund within the meaning of Treasury Regulation § 1.468B-1 and that Lead Counsel, as administrators of the Settlement Fund within the meaning of Treasury Regulation § 1.468B-2(k)(3), shall be solely responsible for filing or causing to be filed all informational and other tax returns as may be necessary or appropriate (including, without limitation, the returns described in Treasury Regulation § 1.468B-2(k)) for the Settlement Fund. Lead Counsel shall also be responsible for causing payment to be made from the Settlement Fund of any Taxes owed with respect to the Settlement Fund. Defendants' Releasees shall not have any liability or responsibility for any such Taxes. Upon written request, Defendants will provide to Lead Counsel the statement described in Treasury Regulation § 1.468B-3(e). Lead Counsel, as administrators of the Settlement Fund within the meaning of Treasury Regulation § 1.468B-2(k)(3), shall timely make such elections as are necessary or advisable to carry out this paragraph, including, as necessary, making a "relation back election," as described in Treasury Regulation § 1.468B-1(j), to cause the Qualified Settlement Fund to come into existence at the earliest allowable date, and shall take or cause to be taken all actions as may be necessary or appropriate in connection therewith.
- 13. All Taxes shall be paid out of the Settlement Fund, and shall be timely paid by the Escrow Agent pursuant to the disbursement instructions to be set forth in the Escrow Agreement, and without further order of the Court. Any tax returns prepared for the Settlement Fund (as well as the election set forth therein) shall be consistent with the previous paragraph and in all events shall reflect that all Taxes on the income earned by the Settlement Fund shall be paid out of the Settlement Fund as provided herein. Defendants' Releasees shall have no responsibility or liability for the acts or omissions of Lead Counsel or its agents with respect to the payment of Taxes, as described herein. The Settlement Fund shall indemnify and hold each of the Defendants'

Releasees harmless for Taxes (including, without limitation, Taxes payable by reason of any such indemnification).

- 14. The Settlement is not a claims-made settlement. Upon the occurrence of the Effective Date, no Defendant, Defendants' Releasee, insurance carrier, or any other person or entity who or which paid any portion of the Settlement Amount shall have any right to the return of the Settlement Fund or any portion thereof for any reason whatsoever, including without limitation, the number of Claim Forms submitted, the collective amount of Recognized Claims of Authorized Claimants, the percentage of recovery of losses, or the amounts to be paid to Authorized Claimants from the Net Settlement Fund.
- 15. Notwithstanding the fact that the Effective Date of the Settlement has not yet occurred, Lead Counsel may pay from the Settlement Fund, without further approval from Defendants or further order of the Court, all Notice and Administration Costs actually incurred up to the sum of \$400,000. Such costs and expenses shall include, without limitation, the actual costs of printing and mailing the Notice, publishing the Summary Notice, reimbursements to nominee owners for forwarding the Notice to their beneficial owners, the administrative expenses incurred and fees charged by the Claims Administrator in connection with providing notice, administering the Settlement (including processing the submitted Claims), and the fees, if any, of the Escrow Agent. Prior to the Effective Date, all such Notice and Administration Costs in excess of \$400,000 shall only be paid from the Settlement Fund with prior approval of the Court, up to the sum of \$600,000. In the event that the Settlement is terminated pursuant to the terms of this Stipulation, all Notice and Administration Costs incurred, paid or payable, including any related fees, shall not be returned or repaid to Defendants, their insurance carriers, any of the other Defendants' Releasees, or any other person or entity who or which paid any portion of the Settlement Amount.

ATTORNEYS' FEES AND LITIGATION EXPENSES

- 16. Lead Counsel will apply to the Court for a collective award of attorneys' fees to Plaintiffs' Counsel to be paid from (and out of) the Settlement Fund. Lead Counsel also will apply to the Court for reimbursement of Litigation Expenses, which may include a request for reimbursement of Lead Plaintiffs' costs and expenses directly related to their representation of the Settlement Class, to be paid from (and out of) the Settlement Fund. Lead Counsel's application for an award of attorneys' fees and/or Litigation Expenses is not the subject of any agreement between Defendants and Lead Plaintiffs other than what is set forth in this Stipulation.
- 17. Any attorneys' fees and Litigation Expenses that are awarded by the Court shall be paid to Lead Counsel immediately upon award, notwithstanding the existence of any timely filed objections thereto, or potential for appeal therefrom, or collateral attack on the Settlement or any part thereof, subject to Lead Counsel's obligation to make appropriate refunds or repayments to the Settlement Fund, plus accrued interest at the same net rate as is earned by the Settlement Fund, if the Settlement is terminated pursuant to the terms of this Stipulation or if, as a result of any appeal or further proceedings on remand, or successful collateral attack, the award of attorneys' fees and/or Litigation Expenses is reduced or reversed and such order reducing or reversing the award has become Final. Lead Counsel shall make the appropriate refund or repayment in full no later than fifteen (15) days after: (a) receiving from Defendants' Counsel notice of the termination of the Settlement; or (b) any order reducing or reversing the award of attorneys' fees and/or Litigation Expenses has become Final. An award of attorneys' fees and/or Litigation Expenses to Plaintiffs' Counsel is not a necessary term of this Stipulation and is not a condition of the Settlement embodied herein. Neither Lead Plaintiffs nor Lead Counsel may cancel or terminate

the Settlement based on this Court's or any appellate court's ruling with respect to attorneys' fees and/or Litigation Expenses.

- 18. Lead Counsel shall allocate the attorneys' fees awarded amongst Plaintiffs' Counsel in a manner that they, in good faith, believe reflects the contributions of such counsel to the institution, prosecution and settlement of the Action. Defendants' Releasees shall have no responsibility for or liability whatsoever with respect to the allocation or award of attorneys' fees or Litigation Expenses.
- 19. The attorneys' fees and Litigation Expenses that are awarded to Plaintiffs' Counsel shall be payable solely from the Escrow Account.

NOTICE AND SETTLEMENT ADMINISTRATION

20. As part of the Preliminary Approval Order, Lead Plaintiffs shall seek appointment of a Claims Administrator. The Claims Administrator shall administer the Settlement, including but not limited to the process of receiving, reviewing and approving or denying Claims, under Lead Counsel's supervision and subject to the jurisdiction of the Court. Other than Amedisys's obligation to provide its shareholder records as provided in ¶21 below, neither Defendants, nor any other Defendants' Releasees, shall have any involvement in or any responsibility, authority or liability whatsoever for the selection of the Claims Administrator, the Plan of Allocation, the administration of the Settlement, the Claims process, or disbursement of the Net Settlement Fund, and shall have no liability whatsoever to any person or entity, including, but not limited to, Lead Plaintiffs, any other Settlement Class Members or Lead Counsel in connection with the foregoing. Defendants and Defendants' Counsel shall cooperate in the administration of the Settlement to the extent reasonably necessary to effectuate its terms.

- 21. In accordance with the terms of the Preliminary Approval Order to be entered by the Court, Lead Counsel shall cause the Claims Administrator to mail the Notice and Proof of Claim Form to those members of the Settlement Class as may be identified through reasonable effort. Lead Counsel shall also cause the Claims Administrator to have the Summary Notice published in accordance with the terms of the Preliminary Approval Order to be entered by the Court. For the purposes of identifying and providing notice to the Settlement Class, within five (5) business days of the date of entry of the Preliminary Approval Order, Amedisys shall provide or cause to be provided to the Claims Administrator in electronic format, such as Excel (at no cost to the Settlement Fund, Lead Counsel or the Claims Administrator), data from shareholder transfer records containing the names and addresses of record holders who purchased Amedisys common stock during the Settlement Class Period.
- 22. Defendants shall no later than ten (10) calendar days following the filing of this Stipulation with the Court serve upon the appropriate state official of each state in which a Settlement Class Member resides and the Attorney General of the United States a notice of the proposed Settlement in compliance with the requirements of the Class Action Fairness Act, 28 U.S.C. § 1715 *et seq.* ("CAFA"). Defendants are solely responsible for the costs of the CAFA notice and administering the CAFA notice. At least fourteen (14) calendar days before the Settlement Hearing, Defendants shall cause to be served on Lead Counsel and filed with the Court proof, by affidavit or declaration, regarding compliance with CAFA § 1715(b).
- 23. The Claims Administrator shall receive Claims and determine first, whether the Claim is a valid Claim, in whole or part, and second, each Authorized Claimant's *pro rata* share of the Net Settlement Fund based upon each Authorized Claimant's Recognized Claim compared to the total Recognized Claims of all Authorized Claimants (as set forth in the Plan of Allocation

set forth in the Notice attached hereto as Exhibit 1 to Exhibit A, or in such other plan of allocation as the Court approves).

- 24. The Plan of Allocation proposed in the Notice is not a necessary term of the Settlement or of this Stipulation, and it is not a condition of the Settlement or of this Stipulation that any particular plan of allocation be approved by the Court. Lead Plaintiffs and Lead Counsel may not cancel or terminate the Settlement (or this Stipulation) based on this Court's or any appellate court's ruling with respect to the Plan of Allocation or any other plan of allocation in this Action. Defendants and the other Defendants' Releasees shall not object in any way to the Plan of Allocation or any other plan of allocation in this Action. No Defendant, or any other Defendants' Releasees, shall have any involvement with or liability, obligation or responsibility whatsoever for the application of the Court-approved plan of allocation.
- 25. Any Settlement Class Member who does not submit a valid Claim Form will not be entitled to receive any distribution from the Net Settlement Fund, but will otherwise be bound by all of the terms of this Stipulation and Settlement, including the terms of the Judgment to be entered in the Action and the releases provided for herein and therein, and will be permanently barred and enjoined from bringing any action, claim, or other proceeding of any kind against the Defendants' Releasees with respect to the Released Plaintiffs' Claims in the event that the Effective Date occurs with respect to the Settlement.
- 26. Lead Counsel shall be responsible for supervising the administration of the Settlement and the disbursement of the Net Settlement Fund subject to Court approval. No Defendant, or any other Defendants' Releasees, shall be permitted to review, contest or object to any Claim Form, or any decision of the Claims Administrator or Lead Counsel with respect to accepting or rejecting any Claim for payment by a Settlement Class Member. Lead Counsel shall

have the right, but not the obligation, to waive what they deem to be formal or technical defects in any Claim Forms submitted in the interests of achieving substantial justice.

- 27. For purposes of determining the extent, if any, to which a Settlement Class Member shall be entitled to be treated as an Authorized Claimant, the following conditions shall apply:
- (a) Each Settlement Class Member shall be required to submit a Claim Form, substantially in the form attached hereto as Exhibit 2 to Exhibit A, supported by such documents as are designated therein, including proof of the Claimant's loss, or such other documents or proof as the Claims Administrator or Lead Counsel, in their discretion, may deem acceptable;
- (b) All Claim Forms must be submitted by the date set by the Court in the Preliminary Approval Order and specified in the Notice. Any Settlement Class Member who fails to submit a Claim Form by such date shall be forever barred from receiving any distribution from the Net Settlement Fund or payment pursuant to this Stipulation (unless by Order of the Court such Settlement Class Member's Claim Form is accepted), but shall in all other respects be bound by all of the terms of this Stipulation and the Settlement, including the terms of the Judgment and the Releases provided for herein and therein, and will be permanently barred and enjoined from bringing any action, claim or other proceeding of any kind against any Defendants' Releasees with respect to any Released Plaintiffs' Claim. Provided that it is mailed by the claim-submission deadline, a Claim Form shall be deemed to be submitted when postmarked, if received with a postmark indicated on the envelope and if mailed by first-class mail and addressed in accordance with the instructions thereon. In all other cases, the Claim Form shall be deemed to have been submitted on the date when actually received by the Claims Administrator;
- (c) Each Claim Form shall be submitted to and reviewed by the Claims

 Administrator who shall determine in accordance with this Stipulation and the plan of allocation

the extent, if any, to which each Claim shall be allowed, subject to review by the Court pursuant to subparagraph (e) below as necessary;

- (d) Claim Forms that do not meet the submission requirements may be rejected. Prior to rejecting a Claim in whole or in part, the Claims Administrator shall communicate with the Claimant in writing, to give the Claimant the chance to remedy any curable deficiencies in the Claim Form submitted. The Claims Administrator shall notify, in a timely fashion and in writing, all Claimants whose Claim the Claims Administrator proposes to reject in whole or in part, setting forth the reasons therefor, and shall indicate in such notice that the Claimant whose Claim is to be rejected has the right to a review by the Court if the Claimant so desires and complies with the requirements of subparagraph (e) below; and
- (e) If any Claimant whose Claim has been rejected in whole or in part desires to contest such rejection, the Claimant must, within twenty (20) days after the date of mailing of the notice required in subparagraph (d) above, serve upon the Claims Administrator a notice and statement of reasons indicating the Claimant's grounds for contesting the rejection along with any supporting documentation, and requesting a review thereof by the Court. If a dispute concerning a Claim cannot be otherwise resolved, Lead Counsel shall thereafter present the request for review to the Court.
- 28. Each Claimant shall be deemed to have submitted to the jurisdiction of the Court with respect to the Claimant's Claim, and the Claim will be subject to investigation and discovery under the Federal Rules of Civil Procedure, provided, however, that such investigation and discovery shall be limited to that Claimant's status as a Settlement Class Member and the validity and amount of the Claimant's Claim. No discovery shall be allowed on the merits of this Action or of the Settlement in connection with the processing of Claim Forms.

- 29. Lead Counsel will apply to the Court, on notice to Defendants' Counsel, for a Class Distribution Order: (a) approving the Claims Administrator's administrative determinations concerning the acceptance and rejection of the Claims submitted; (b) approving payment of any administration fees and expenses associated with the administration of the Settlement from the Escrow Account; and (c) if the Effective Date has occurred, directing payment of the Net Settlement Fund to Authorized Claimants from the Escrow Account.
- 30. Payment pursuant to the Class Distribution Order shall be final and conclusive against all Settlement Class Members. All Settlement Class Members whose Claims are not approved by the Court for payment shall be barred from participating in distributions from the Net Settlement Fund, but otherwise shall be bound by all of the terms of this Stipulation and the Settlement, including the terms of the Judgment to be entered in this Action and the Releases provided for herein and therein, and will be permanently barred and enjoined from bringing any action against any and all Defendants' Releasees with respect to any and all of the Released Plaintiffs' Claims.
- 31. No person or entity shall have any claim against Lead Plaintiffs, Lead Counsel, the Claims Administrator or any other agent designated by Lead Counsel, or the Defendants' Releasees and/or their respective counsel, arising from distributions made substantially in accordance with the Stipulation, the plan of allocation approved by the Court, or any order of the Court. Lead Plaintiffs and Defendants, and their respective counsel, and Lead Plaintiffs' damages expert and all other Releasees shall have no liability whatsoever for the investment or distribution of the Settlement Fund or the Net Settlement Fund, the plan of allocation, or the determination, administration, calculation, or payment of any claim or nonperformance of the Claims

Administrator, the payment or withholding of taxes (including interest and penalties) owed by the Settlement Fund, or any losses incurred in connection therewith.

32. All proceedings with respect to the administration, processing and determination of Claims and the determination of all controversies relating thereto, including disputed questions of law and fact with respect to the validity of Claims, shall be subject to the jurisdiction of the Court. All Settlement Class Members and Parties expressly waive trial by jury (to the extent any such right may exist) and any right of appeal or review with respect to such determinations.

TERMS OF THE JUDGMENT

33. If the Settlement contemplated by this Stipulation is approved by the Court, Lead Counsel and Defendants' Counsel shall request that the Court enter a Judgment, substantially in the form attached hereto as Exhibit B.

CONDITIONS OF SETTLEMENT AND EFFECT OF DISAPPROVAL, CANCELLATION OR TERMINATION

- 34. The Effective Date of the Settlement shall be deemed to occur on the occurrence or waiver of all of the following events:
- (a) the Court has entered the Preliminary Approval Order, substantially in the form set forth in Exhibit A attached hereto, as required by \P 3 above;
- (b) the Settlement Amount has been deposited into the Escrow Account in accordance with the provisions of ¶ 8 above;
- (c) Defendants have not exercised their option to terminate the Settlement pursuant to the provisions of this Stipulation (including the Supplemental Agreement described in ¶ 38 below);
- (d) Lead Plaintiffs have not exercised their option to terminate the Settlement pursuant to the provisions of this Stipulation; and

- (e) the Court has approved the Settlement as described herein, following notice to the Settlement Class and a hearing, as prescribed by Rule 23 of the Federal Rules of Civil Procedure, and entered the Judgment and the Judgment has become Final; and
 - (f) The Action has been fully and finally dismissed with prejudice.
- 35. Upon the occurrence of all of the events referenced in ¶ 34 above, any and all remaining interest or right, if any, of any Defendant, Defendants' Releasee, insurance carrier, or any other person or entity who or which funded the Settlement Amount in or to the Settlement Fund, shall be absolutely and forever extinguished and the Releases herein shall be automatically effective and no further action need be taken by any such parties.
- 36. If (i) Defendants exercise their right to terminate the Settlement as provided in this Stipulation; (ii) Lead Plaintiffs exercise their right to terminate the Settlement as provided in this Stipulation; (iii) the Court disapproves the Settlement; or (iv) the Effective Date as to the Settlement otherwise fails to occur, then:
- (a) The Settlement and the relevant portions of this Stipulation shall be canceled and terminated.
- (b) The Parties shall revert to their respective litigation positions in the Action as of immediately prior to the execution of the Term Sheet on June 12, 2017, and the Parties shall negotiate in good faith a proposed new scheduling order for the Action.
- (c) The terms and provisions of this Stipulation, with the exception of this \P 36 and $\P\P$ 15, 17, 39 and 58, shall have no further force and effect with respect to the Parties and shall not be used in the Action or in any other proceeding for any purpose, and any Judgment, or order entered by the Court in accordance with the terms of this Stipulation shall be treated as vacated, *nunc pro tunc*.

- (d) Within five (5) business days after joint written notification of termination is sent by Defendants' Counsel and Lead Counsel to the Escrow Agent, the Settlement Fund (including accrued interest thereon and any funds received by Lead Counsel consistent with ¶ 17 above), less any Notice and Administration Costs actually incurred, paid or payable and less any Taxes paid, due or owing, shall be refunded by the Escrow Agent to Amedisys and Defendants' insurance carriers in accordance with their respective payments into the Settlement Fund as respects exhaustion requirements among them, the instructions regarding same to be communicated to the Escrow Agent in writing by Defendants' Counsel. In the event that the funds received by Lead Counsel consistent with ¶ 17 above have not been refunded to the Settlement Fund within the five (5) business days specified in this paragraph, those funds shall be refunded by the Escrow Agent to Amedisys and Defendants' insurance carriers immediately upon their deposit into the Escrow Account consistent with ¶ 17 above. At the request of Defendants' Counsel, Lead Counsel or its designee shall apply for any tax refund owed on the Settlement Fund and pay the proceeds within five (5) business days of receipt of such proceeds, after deduction of any fees or expenses incurred in connection with such application for a tax refund, to Amedisys or Defendants' insurance carriers in accordance with written instructions from Defendants' Counsel. Notwithstanding any of the foregoing in this ¶ 36(d), the repayment obligations of the Escrow Agent and Lead Counsel pursuant to this paragraph shall not be triggered until receipt of the written repayment instructions from Defendants' Counsel.
- 37. It is further stipulated and agreed that Defendants, collectively, and Lead Plaintiffs shall each have, in their respective sole and absolute discretion, the right to terminate the Settlement and this Stipulation, by providing written notice of their election to do so ("Termination Notice") to the other Parties within thirty (30) days of: (a) the Court's final refusal to enter the

Preliminary Approval Order in any material respect; (b) the Court's final refusal to approve the Settlement or any material part thereof; (c) the Court's final refusal to enter the Judgment in any material respect as to the Settlement; (d) the Court's final refusal to dismiss the Action with prejudice; or (e) the date upon which the Judgment is modified or reversed in any material respect by the United States Court of Appeals for the Fifth Circuit or the United States Supreme Court, and the provisions of ¶ 36 above shall apply. However, any decision or proceeding, whether in this Court or any appellate court, with respect to an application for attorneys' fees or reimbursement of Litigation Expenses or with respect to any plan of allocation shall not be considered material to the Settlement, shall not affect the finality of any Judgment and shall not be grounds for termination of the Settlement.

38. In addition to the grounds set forth in ¶ 37 above, Defendants, collectively, shall have, in their sole and absolute discretion, the unilateral right to terminate the Settlement in the event that Settlement Class Members timely and validly requesting exclusion from the Settlement Class meet the conditions set forth in Defendants' confidential supplemental agreement with Lead Plaintiffs (the "Supplemental Agreement"), in accordance with the terms of that agreement. The Supplemental Agreement, which is being executed concurrently herewith, shall not be filed with the Court and its terms shall not be disclosed in any other manner (other than the statements herein and exhibits hereto, to the extent necessary, or as otherwise provided in the Supplemental Agreement) unless and until the Court otherwise directs or a dispute arises between the Parties concerning its interpretation or application, in which event the Parties shall submit the Supplemental Agreement to the Court for *in camera* review.

NO ADMISSION OF WRONGDOING

- 39. Neither the Term Sheet, this Stipulation (whether or not consummated), including the exhibits hereto and the Plan of Allocation contained therein (or any other plan of allocation that may be approved by the Court), the negotiations leading to the execution of the Term Sheet and this Stipulation, nor any proceedings taken pursuant to or in connection with the Term Sheet, this Stipulation and/or approval of the Settlement (including any arguments proffered in connection therewith):
- (a) shall be offered against any of the Defendants' Releasees as evidence of, or construed as, or deemed to be evidence of any presumption, concession, or admission by any of the Defendants' Releasees with respect to the truth of any fact alleged by Lead Plaintiffs or the validity of any claim that was or could have been asserted or the deficiency of any defense that has been or could have been asserted in this Action or in any other litigation, or of any liability, negligence, fault, or other wrongdoing of any kind of any of the Defendants' Releasees or in any way referred to for any other reason as against any of the Defendants' Releasees, in any civil, criminal or administrative action or proceeding, other than such proceedings as may be necessary to effectuate the provisions of this Stipulation;
- (b) shall be offered against any of the Plaintiffs' Releasees as evidence of, or construed as, or deemed to be evidence of any presumption, concession or admission by any of the Plaintiffs' Releasees that any of their claims are without merit, that any of the Defendants' Releasees had meritorious defenses, or that damages recoverable under the Complaint would not have exceeded the Settlement Amount or with respect to any liability, negligence, fault or wrongdoing of any kind, or in any way referred to for any other reason as against any of the

Plaintiffs' Releasees, in any civil, criminal or administrative action or proceeding, other than such proceedings as may be necessary to effectuate the provisions of this Stipulation;

- (c) shall be offered or construed as evidence that a class should or should not be certified in the Action if the Settlement is not consummated; or
- (d) shall be offered or construed against any of the Releasees as an admission, concession, or presumption that the consideration to be given hereunder represents the amount that could be or would have been recovered after trial; *provided, however*, that if this Stipulation is approved by the Court, the Parties and the Releasees and their respective counsel may refer to it to effectuate the protections from liability granted hereunder or otherwise to enforce the terms of the Settlement.

MISCELLANEOUS PROVISIONS

- 40. All of the exhibits attached hereto are hereby incorporated by reference as though fully set forth herein. Notwithstanding the foregoing, in the event that there exists a conflict or inconsistency between the terms of this Stipulation and the terms of any exhibit attached hereto, the terms of the Stipulation shall prevail.
- 41. Defendants warrant that, as to the payments made or to be made by Amedisys or their insurance carriers on behalf of them, at the time of entering into this Stipulation and at the time of such payment they, or to their knowledge any persons or entities contributing to the payment of the Settlement Amount, were not insolvent, nor will the payment required to be made by or on behalf of them render them insolvent, within the meaning of and/or for the purposes of the United States Bankruptcy Code, including §§ 101 and 547 thereof. This representation is made by each of the Defendants and not by their counsel.

- 42. In the event of the entry of a final order of a court of competent jurisdiction determining the transfer of money to the Settlement Fund or any portion thereof by any persons or entities to be a preference, voidable transfer, fraudulent transfer or similar transaction and any portion thereof is required to be returned, and such amount is not promptly deposited into the Settlement Fund by the Defendants or others, then, at the election of Lead Plaintiffs, Lead Plaintiffs and Defendants shall jointly move the Court to vacate and set aside the Releases given and the Judgment entered in favor of the Defendants and the other Releasees pursuant to this Stipulation, in which event the releases and Judgment shall be null and void, and the Parties shall revert to their respective litigation positions in the Action as provided in ¶ 36 above and any cash amounts in the Settlement Fund (less any Taxes paid, due or owing with respect to the Settlement Fund and less any Notice and Administration Costs actually incurred, paid or payable) shall be returned as provided in ¶ 36 above.
- 43. The Parties and their respective counsel agree not to assert in any forum that this Action was brought or prosecuted by Lead Plaintiffs or defended by Defendants in bad faith and shall not make any accusations of wrongful or actionable conduct by any party concerning the prosecution, defense, and resolution of the Action. The Parties and their respective counsel confirm that all parties and their counsel have complied in all respects with Rule 11 of the Federal Rules of Civil Procedure relating to the institution, prosecution, defense, or settlement of this Action, and no party or their counsel shall assert any claims of any violation of Rule 11 in connection therewith. The Parties agree that the amounts paid and the other terms of the Settlement were negotiated at arm's-length and in good faith by the Parties, including through a mediation process supervised and conducted by Judge Phillips.

- 44. The terms of the Settlement, as reflected in this Stipulation, may not be modified or amended, nor may any of its provisions be waived except by a writing signed on behalf of Lead Plaintiffs (or their successor(s)-in-interest), and Defendants (or their successor(s)-in-interest).
- 45. The headings herein are used for the purpose of convenience only and are not meant to have legal effect.
- 46. The administration and consummation of the Settlement as embodied in this Stipulation shall be under the authority of the Court, and the Court shall retain jurisdiction for the purpose of entering orders providing for awards of attorneys' fees and Litigation Expenses to Plaintiffs' Counsel and enforcing the terms of this Stipulation, including the Plan of Allocation (or such other plan of allocation as may be approved by the Court) and the distribution of the Net Settlement Fund to Settlement Class Members.
- 47. The waiver by one party of any breach of this Stipulation by any other party shall not be deemed a waiver of any other prior or subsequent breach of this Stipulation.
- 48. This Stipulation and its exhibits and the Supplemental Agreement constitute the entire agreement among Lead Plaintiffs and Defendants concerning the Settlement and this Stipulation and its exhibits. All parties hereto acknowledge that no other agreements, representations, warranties, or inducements have been made by any party concerning this Stipulation, its exhibits or the Supplemental Agreement other than those contained and memorialized in such documents.
- 49. This Stipulation may be executed in one or more counterparts, including by signature transmitted via facsimile, or by a .pdf/.tif image of the signature transmitted via email.

 All executed counterparts and each of them shall be deemed to be one and the same instrument.

- 50. This Stipulation shall be binding upon and inure to the benefit of the successors and assigns of the Parties, including any and all Releasees, and any corporation, partnership, or other entity into or with which any Party or Releasee may merge, consolidate or reorganize.
- 51. The construction, interpretation, operation, effect and validity of this Stipulation, the Supplemental Agreement and all documents necessary to effectuate it shall be governed by the internal laws of the State of Louisiana without regard to conflicts of laws, except to the extent that federal law requires that federal law govern.
- 52. Any action arising under or to enforce this Stipulation or any portion thereof, shall be commenced and maintained only in the Court.
- 53. This Stipulation and/or any term(s) hereof shall not be construed more strictly against one Party than another merely by virtue of the fact that it, or any part of it, may have been prepared by counsel for one of the Parties, it being recognized that it is the result of arm's-length negotiations between the Parties and all Parties have contributed substantially and materially to the preparation of this Stipulation.
- 54. All counsel and any other person executing this Stipulation and any of the exhibits hereto, or any related Settlement documents, warrant and represent that they have the full authority to do so and that they have the authority to take appropriate action required or permitted to be taken pursuant to the Stipulation to effectuate its terms.
- 55. Lead Counsel and Defendants' Counsel agree to cooperate fully with one another in seeking Court approval of the Preliminary Approval Order and the Settlement, as embodied in this Stipulation, and to use best efforts to promptly agree upon and execute all such other documentation as may be reasonably required to obtain final approval by the Court of the Settlement.

56. If any Party is required to give notice to another Party under this Stipulation, such notice shall be in writing and shall be deemed to have been duly given upon receipt of hand delivery or email transmission. Notice shall be provided as follows:

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- 57. Except as otherwise provided herein, each Party shall bear its own costs.
- 58. Whether or not the Stipulation is approved by the Court and whether or not the Stipulation is consummated, or the Effective Date occurs, the Parties and their counsel shall use

their best efforts to keep all negotiations, discussions, acts performed, agreements, drafts, documents signed and proceedings in connection with the Stipulation confidential.

- 59. All agreements made and orders entered during the course of this Action relating to the confidentiality of information shall survive this Settlement.
- 60. No opinion or advice concerning the tax consequences of the proposed Settlement to individual Settlement Class Members is being given or will be given by the Parties or their counsel; nor is any representation or warranty in this regard made by virtue of this Stipulation. Each Settlement Class Member's tax obligations, and the determination thereof, are the sole responsibility of the Settlement Class Member, and it is understood that the tax consequences may vary depending on the particular circumstances of each individual Settlement Class Member.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties hereto have caused this Stipulation to be executed, by their duly authorized attorneys, as of August 4, 2017.

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Exhibit A

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UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT MIDDLE DISTRICT OF LOUISIANA

ROBERT F. BACH, et al.,

Plaintiff,

V.

AMEDISYS INC. et al.,

Defendants.

Consolidated Securities Class Action

Civil Action No. 10-00395-BAJ-RB

Consolidated With:

No. 10-464-BAJ-RB

No. 10-470-BAJ-RB

No. 10-497-BAJ-RB

[PROPOSED] ORDER PRELIMINARILY APPROVING PROPOSED SETTLEMENT AND PROVIDING FOR NOTICE

WHEREAS, a securities class action is pending in this Court entitled *Robert F. Bach, et al. v. Amedisys, Inc., et al.*, Civil Action No. 1:10-cv-00395 (the "Action");

WHEREAS, (a) Lead Plaintiffs, the Public Employees' Retirement System of Mississippi ("Mississippi PERS") and the Puerto Rico Teachers' Retirement System ("Puerto Rico TRS," collectively with Mississippi PERS, "Lead Plaintiffs"), on behalf of themselves and the other members of the Settlement Class (defined below); and (b) Defendants Amedisys, Inc. ("Amedisys" or the "Company"), and Wendy Stabiler Borne as the Independent Executrix of the Succession of William F. Borne, Jeffrey D. Jeter, Dale E. Redman, Larry R. Graham, Alice Ann Schwartz, Gregory Browne, and John F. Giblin (collectively, the "Defendants" and together with Lead Plaintiffs, the "Parties") have determined to settle all claims asserted in the Action with prejudice on the terms and conditions set forth in the Stipulation and Agreement of Settlement dated August 4, 2017 (the "Stipulation"), subject to approval of this Court (the "Settlement");

WHEREAS, Lead Plaintiffs have made an application, pursuant to Rule 23 of the Federal Rules of Civil Procedure, for an order preliminarily approving the Settlement in accordance with the Stipulation, certifying the Settlement Class for purposes of the Settlement only, and allowing notice to Settlement Class Members as more fully described herein;

WHEREAS, the Court has read and considered: (a) Lead Plaintiffs' motion for preliminary approval of the Settlement, and the papers filed and arguments made in connection therewith; and (b) the Stipulation and the exhibits attached thereto; and

WHEREAS, unless otherwise defined herein, all capitalized words contained herein shall have the same meanings as they have in the Stipulation;

NOW THEREFORE, IT IS HEREBY ORDERED:

- 1. <u>Class Certification for Settlement Purposes</u> Pursuant to Rule 23(a) and (b)(3) of the Federal Rules of Civil Procedure, the Court certifies, solely for purposes of effectuating the proposed Settlement, a Settlement Class consisting of all persons and entities who or which purchased the publicly traded common stock of Amedisys during the period from August 2, 2005 through September 30, 2011, inclusive (the "Settlement Class Period"), and were damaged thereby. Excluded from the Settlement Class are (i) Defendants, and all current and former officers and directors of Amedisys; (ii) members of the Immediate Family and household members of any such person excluded under (i); (iii) any entities affiliated with, controlled by, or more than 5% owned by, any person excluded under (i) and (ii); (iv) any parent, subsidiary or affiliate of Amedisys, including the Amedisys, Inc. 401(k) Plan; and (v) the legal representatives, heirs, successors, or assigns of any person excluded under (i) through (iv).
- 2. <u>Class Findings</u> Solely for purposes of the proposed Settlement of this Action, the Court finds that each element required for certification of the Settlement Class pursuant to

Rule 23 of the Federal Rules of Civil Procedure has been met: (a) the members of the Settlement Class are so numerous that their joinder in the Action would be impracticable; (b) there are questions of law and fact common to the Settlement Class which predominate over any individual questions; (c) the claims of Lead Plaintiffs in the Action are typical of the claims of the Settlement Class; (d) Lead Plaintiffs and Lead Counsel have fairly and adequately represented and protected the interests of the Settlement Class and will continue to do so; and (e) a class action is superior to other available methods for the fair and efficient adjudication of the Action.

- 3. The Court hereby finds and concludes that pursuant to Rule 23 of the Federal Rules of Civil Procedure, and for the purposes of the Settlement only, Lead Plaintiffs Mississippi PERS and Puerto Rico TRS are adequate class representatives and certifies Mississippi PERS and Puerto Rico TRS as the Class Representatives for the Settlement Class. The Court also appoints Lead Counsel Bernstein Litowitz Berger & Grossmann LLP and Wolf Popper LLP as Class Counsel for the Settlement Class, pursuant to Rule 23(g) of the Federal Rules of Civil Procedure.
- 4. **Preliminary Approval of the Settlement** The Court hereby preliminarily approves the Settlement, as embodied in the Stipulation, as being fair, reasonable and adequate to the Settlement Class, subject to further consideration at the Settlement Hearing to be conducted as described below.
- 5. <u>Settlement Hearing</u> The Court will hold a settlement hearing (the "Settlement Hearing") on ______, 2017 at _____ .m. in Courtroom _____, for the following purposes: (a) to determine whether the proposed Settlement on the terms and conditions provided for in the Stipulation is fair, reasonable and adequate to the Settlement Class, and should be

approved by the Court; (b) to determine whether a Judgment substantially in the form attached as Exhibit B to the Stipulation should be entered dismissing the Action with prejudice against Defendants; (c) to determine whether the proposed Plan of Allocation for the proceeds of the Settlement is fair and reasonable and should be approved; (d) to determine whether the motion by Lead Counsel for an award of attorneys' fees and reimbursement of Litigation Expenses should be approved; and (e) to consider any other matters that may properly be brought before the Court in connection with the Settlement. Notice of the Settlement and the Settlement Hearing shall be given to Settlement Class Members as set forth in paragraph 8 of this Order.

- 6. The Court may adjourn the Settlement Hearing without further notice to the Settlement Class; may approve the proposed Settlement with such modifications as the Parties may agree to, if appropriate, without further notice to the Settlement Class; and may enter the Judgment, regardless of whether it has approved the Plan of Allocation and/or Lead Counsel's motion for attorneys' fees or reimbursement of Litigation Expenses.
- 7. CAFA Notice Defendants shall no later than ten (10) calendar days following the filing of the Stipulation with the Court serve upon the appropriate state official of each state in which a Settlement Class Member resides and the Attorney General of the United States a notice of the proposed Settlement in compliance with the requirements of the Class Action Fairness Act, 28 U.S.C. § 1715 et seq. ("CAFA"). Defendants are solely responsible for the costs of the CAFA notice and administering the CAFA notice. At least fourteen (14) calendar days before the Settlement Hearing, Defendants shall cause to be served on Lead Counsel and filed with the Court proof, by affidavit or declaration, regarding compliance with CAFA § 1715(b).

- 8. Retention of Claims Administrator and Manner of Giving Notice Lead Counsel are hereby authorized to retain A.B. Data, Ltd. (the "Claims Administrator") to supervise and administer the notice procedure in connection with the proposed Settlement as well as the processing of Claims as more fully set forth below. Notice of the Settlement and the Settlement Hearing shall be given by Lead Counsel as follows:
- (a) within five (5) business days of the date of entry of this Order, Amedisys shall provide or cause to be provided to the Claims Administrator in electronic format, such as Excel (at no cost to the Settlement Fund, Lead Counsel or the Claims Administrator), data from shareholder transfer records containing the names and addresses of record holders who purchased Amedisys common stock during the Settlement Class Period;
- (b) not later than twenty-five (25) days after the date of entry of this Order (the "Notice Date"), the Claims Administrator shall cause a copy of the Notice and the Claim Form, substantially in the forms attached hereto as Exhibits 1 and 2, respectively (the "Notice Packet"), to be mailed by first-class mail to potential Settlement Class Members at the addresses set forth in the records provided or caused to be provided by Amedisys, or who otherwise may be identified through further reasonable effort;
- (c) contemporaneously with the mailing of the Notice Packet, the Claims Administrator shall cause copies of the Notice and the Claim Form to be posted on a website to be developed for the Settlement, from which copies of the Notice and Claim Form can be downloaded;
- (d) not later than ten (10) business days after the Notice Date, the Claims Administrator shall cause the Summary Notice, substantially in the form attached hereto as

Exhibit 3, to be published once in *The Wall Street Journal* and to be transmitted once over the *PR Newswire*; and

- (e) not later than seven (7) calendar days prior to the Settlement Hearing, Lead Counsel shall serve on Defendants' Counsel and file with the Court proof, by affidavit or declaration, of such mailing and publication.
- 9. **Approval of Form and Content of Notice** – The Court (a) approves, as to form and content, the Notice, the Claim Form, and the Summary Notice, attached hereto as Exhibits 1, 2. and 3. respectively; and (b) finds that the mailing and distribution of the Notice and Claim Form and the publication of the Summary Notice in the manner and form set forth in paragraph 8 of this Order: (i) is the best notice practicable under the circumstances; (ii) constitutes notice that is reasonably calculated, under the circumstances, to apprise Settlement Class Members of the pendency of the Action, of the effect of the proposed Settlement (including the Releases to be provided thereunder), of Lead Counsel's motion for an award of attorneys' fees and reimbursement of Litigation Expenses, of their right to object to the Settlement, the Plan of Allocation and/or Lead Counsel's motion for attorneys' fees and reimbursement of Litigation Expenses, of their right to exclude themselves from the Settlement Class, and of their right to appear at the Settlement Hearing; (iii) constitutes due, adequate and sufficient notice to all persons and entities entitled to receive notice of the proposed Settlement; and (iv) satisfies the requirements of Rule 23 of the Federal Rules of Civil Procedure, the United States Constitution (including the Due Process Clause), the Private Securities Litigation Reform Act of 1995, 15 U.S.C. § 78u-4, et seq., as amended, and all other applicable law and rules. The date and time of the Settlement Hearing shall be included in the Notice and Summary Notice before they are mailed and published, respectively.

- Nominee Procedures Brokers and other nominees that purchased Amedisys common stock during the Settlement Class Period for the benefit of another person or entity shall (a) within seven (7) calendar days of receipt of the Notice, request from the Claims Administrator sufficient copies of the Notice Packet to forward to all such beneficial owners and within seven (7) calendar days of receipt of those Notice Packets forward them to all such beneficial owners; or (b) within seven (7) calendar days of receipt of the Notice, send a list of the names and addresses of all such beneficial owners to the Claims Administrator in which event the Claims Administrator shall promptly mail the Notice Packet to such beneficial owners. Upon full compliance with this Order, such nominees may seek reimbursement of their reasonable expenses actually incurred in complying with this Order by providing the Claims Administrator with proper documentation supporting the expenses for which reimbursement is sought. Such properly documented expenses incurred by nominees in compliance with the terms of this Order shall be paid from the Settlement Fund, with any disputes as to the reasonableness or documentation of expenses incurred subject to review by the Court.
- Participation in the Settlement Settlement Class Members who wish to participate in the Settlement and to be eligible to receive a distribution from the Net Settlement Fund must complete and submit a Claim Form in accordance with the instructions contained therein. Unless the Court orders otherwise, all Claim Forms must be postmarked no later than one hundred twenty (120) calendar days after the Notice Date. Notwithstanding the foregoing, Lead Counsel may, at their discretion, accept for processing late Claims provided such acceptance does not delay the distribution of the Net Settlement Fund to the Settlement Class. By submitting a Claim, a person or entity shall be deemed to have submitted to the jurisdiction of the Court with respect to his, her or its Claim and the subject matter of the Settlement.

- 12. Each Claim Form submitted must satisfy the following conditions: (a) it must be properly completed, signed and submitted in a timely manner in accordance with the provisions of the preceding paragraph; (b) it must be accompanied by adequate supporting documentation for the transactions and holdings reported therein, in the form of broker confirmation slips, broker account statements, an authorized statement from the broker containing the transactional and holding information found in a broker confirmation slip or account statement, or such other documentation as is deemed adequate by Lead Counsel or the Claims Administrator; (c) if the person executing the Claim Form is acting in a representative capacity, a certification of his, her or its current authority to act on behalf of the Settlement Class Member must be included in the Claim Form to the satisfaction of Lead Counsel or the Claims Administrator; and (d) the Claim Form must be complete and contain no material deletions or modifications of any of the printed matter contained therein and must be signed under penalty of perjury.
- 13. Any Settlement Class Member that does not timely and validly submit a Claim Form or whose Claim is not otherwise approved by the Court: (a) shall be deemed to have waived his, her or its right to share in the Net Settlement Fund; (b) shall be forever barred from participating in any distributions therefrom; (c) shall be bound by the provisions of the Stipulation and the Settlement and all proceedings, determinations, orders and judgments in the Action relating thereto, including, without limitation, the Judgment and the Releases provided for therein, whether favorable or unfavorable to the Settlement Class; and (d) will be barred from commencing, maintaining or prosecuting any of the Released Plaintiffs' Claims against each and all of the Defendants' Releasees, as more fully described in the Stipulation and Notice. Notwithstanding the foregoing, late Claim Forms may be accepted for processing as set forth in paragraph 11 above.

14. Exclusion from the Settlement Class – Any member of the Settlement Class who wishes to exclude himself, herself or itself from the Settlement Class must request exclusion in writing within the time and in the manner set forth in the Notice, which shall provide that: (a) any such request for exclusion from the Settlement Class must be mailed or delivered such that it is received no later than twenty-one (21) calendar days prior to the Settlement Hearing, to: Amedisys Securities Litigation, EXCLUSIONS, c/o A.B. Data, Ltd., P.O. Box 173001, Milwaukee, WI 53217; and (b) each request for exclusion must (i) state the name, address, and telephone number of the person or entity requesting exclusion, and in the case of entities, the name and telephone number of the appropriate contact person; (ii) state that such person or entity "requests exclusion from the Settlement Class in Robert F. Bach, et al. v. Amedisvs, Inc., et al., Case No. 1:10-cv-00395 (M.D. La.)"; (iii) state the number of shares of Amedisys common stock that the person or entity requesting exclusion (x) owned as of the close of trading on August 1, 2005 and December 30, 2011, and (v) purchased and/or sold from August 2, 2005 through December 30, 2011, inclusive, as well as the number of shares, dates and prices for each such purchase and/or sale; and (iv) be signed by the person or entity requesting exclusion or an authorized representative. A request for exclusion shall not be effective unless it provides all the required information and is received within the time stated above, or is otherwise accepted by the Court in a manner and with timing not inconsistent with the right of Defendants to terminate the Settlement pursuant to the Stipulation. Lead Counsel are authorized to request from any person or entity requesting exclusion documentation sufficient to prove his, her or its holdings, purchases and/or sales of Amedisys common stock, provided they do so no later than five (5) business days after the deadline for requests for exclusion. The person or entity requesting exclusion must provide such documentation within five (5) business days of receipt of the

request and, in the absence of production of the requested documentation, the Court may reject the request for exclusion. Copies of all requests for exclusion received shall be provided to Defendants' Counsel on a weekly basis, but in no event later than fourteen (14) calendar days prior to the Settlement Hearing.

- 15. Any person or entity that timely and validly requests exclusion in compliance with the terms stated in this Order and is excluded from the Settlement Class shall not be a Settlement Class Member, shall not be bound by the terms of the Settlement or any orders or judgments in the Action, and shall not receive any payment out of the Net Settlement Fund.
- 16. Any Settlement Class Member that does not timely and validly request exclusion from the Settlement Class in the manner stated in this Order: (a) shall be deemed to have waived his, her or its right to be excluded from the Settlement Class; (b) shall be forever barred from requesting exclusion from the Settlement Class in this or any other proceeding; (c) shall be bound by the provisions of the Stipulation and Settlement and all proceedings, determinations, orders and judgments in the Action, including, but not limited to, the Judgment and the Releases provided for therein, whether favorable or unfavorable to the Settlement Class; and (d) will be barred from commencing, maintaining or prosecuting any of the Released Plaintiffs' Claims against any of the Defendants' Releasees, as more fully described in the Stipulation and Notice.
- Appearance and Objections at Settlement Hearing Any Settlement Class Member that does not request exclusion from the Settlement Class may enter an appearance in the Action, at his, her or its own expense, individually or through counsel of his, her or its own choice, by filing with the Clerk of Court and delivering a notice of appearance to both Lead Counsel and Defendants' Counsel, at the addresses set forth in paragraph 18 below, such that it is received no later than twenty-one (21) calendar days prior to the Settlement Hearing, or as the

Court may otherwise direct. Any Settlement Class Member that does not enter an appearance will be represented by Lead Counsel.

18. Any Settlement Class Member that does not request exclusion from the Settlement Class may file a written objection to the proposed Settlement, the proposed Plan of Allocation, and/or Lead Counsel's motion for an award of attorneys' fees and reimbursement of Litigation Expenses and appear and show cause, if he, she or it has any cause, why the proposed Settlement, the proposed Plan of Allocation and/or Lead Counsel's motion for attorneys' fees and reimbursement of Litigation Expenses should not be approved; *provided, however*, that no Settlement Class Member shall be heard or entitled to contest the approval of the terms and conditions of the proposed Settlement, the proposed Plan of Allocation and/or the motion for attorneys' fees and reimbursement of Litigation Expenses unless that person or entity has filed a written objection with the Court and served copies of such objection on Lead Counsel and Defendants' Counsel at the addresses set forth below such that they are received no later than twenty-one (21) calendar days prior to the Settlement Hearing.

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and

Kantrow Spaht Weaver & Blitzer (APLC) Richard F. Zimmerman, Jr.

445 North Blvd., Suite 300 Baton Rouge, LA 70802

Lead Counsel and Defendants' Counsel shall promptly furnish each other with copies of any and all objections that come into their possession.

- 19. Any objections, filings and other submissions by the objecting Settlement Class Member: (a) must state the name, address, and telephone number of the person or entity objecting and must be signed by the objector; (b) must contain a statement of the Settlement Class Member's objection or objections, and the specific reasons for each objection, including any legal and evidentiary support the Settlement Class Member wishes to bring to the Court's attention; and (c) must include documents sufficient to prove membership in the Settlement Class, including the number of shares of Amedisys common stock that the objecting Settlement Class Member purchased and/or sold during the Settlement Class Period, as well as the dates and prices of each such purchase and sale. Objectors that enter an appearance and desire to present evidence at the Settlement Hearing in support of their objection must include in their written objection or notice of appearance the identity of any witnesses they may call to testify and any exhibits they intend to introduce into evidence at the hearing.
- 20. Any Settlement Class Member that does not make his, her or its objection in the manner provided herein shall be deemed to have waived his, her or its right to object to any aspect of the proposed Settlement, the Judgment, the proposed Plan of Allocation, and Lead Counsel's motion for an award of attorneys' fees and reimbursement of Litigation Expenses and shall be forever barred and foreclosed from objecting to the fairness, reasonableness or adequacy of the Settlement, the Judgment, the Plan of Allocation or the requested attorneys' fees and Litigation Expenses, and from otherwise being heard concerning the Settlement, the Judgment,

the Plan of Allocation or the requested attorneys' fees and Litigation Expenses in this or any other proceeding.

- 21. <u>Stay and Temporary Injunction</u> Until otherwise ordered by the Court, the Court stays all proceedings in the Action other than proceedings necessary to carry out or enforce the terms and conditions of the Stipulation. Pending final determination of whether the Settlement should be approved, the Court bars and enjoins Lead Plaintiffs and all other members of the Settlement Class from commencing or prosecuting any and all of the Released Plaintiffs' Claims against each and all of the Defendants' Releasees.
- 22. <u>Settlement Administration Fees and Expenses</u> All reasonable costs incurred in identifying Settlement Class Members and notifying them of the Settlement as well as in administering the Settlement shall be paid as set forth in the Stipulation.
- 23. <u>Settlement Fund</u> The contents of the Settlement Fund held by Valley National Bank (which the Court approves as the Escrow Agent), shall be deemed and considered to be *in custodia legis* of the Court, and shall remain subject to the jurisdiction of the Court, until such time as they shall be distributed pursuant to the Stipulation and/or further order(s) of the Court.
- 24. <u>Taxes</u> Lead Counsel are authorized and directed to prepare any tax returns and any other tax reporting form for or in respect to the Settlement Fund, to pay from the Settlement Fund any Taxes owed with respect to the Settlement Fund, and to otherwise perform all obligations with respect to Taxes and any reporting or filings in respect thereof without further order of the Court in a manner consistent with the provisions of the Stipulation.
- 25. <u>Termination of Settlement</u> If the Settlement is terminated as provided in the Stipulation or the Supplemental Agreement, the Settlement is not approved, or the Effective Date of the Settlement otherwise fails to occur, this Order shall be vacated, rendered null and void and

be of no further force and effect, except as otherwise provided by the Stipulation or the Supplemental Agreement, and this Order shall be without prejudice to the rights of Lead Plaintiffs, the other Settlement Class Members, and Defendants, and the Parties shall revert to their respective litigation positions in the Action as of immediately prior to the execution of the Term Sheet on June 12, 2017, as provided in the Stipulation.

26. Use of this Order – Neither this Order, the Term Sheet, the Stipulation (whether or not consummated), including the exhibits thereto and the Plan of Allocation contained therein (or any other plan of allocation that may be approved by the Court), the negotiations leading to the execution of the Term Sheet and the Stipulation, nor any proceedings taken pursuant to or in connection with the Term Sheet, the Stipulation and/or approval of the Settlement (including any arguments proffered in connection therewith): (a) shall be offered against any of the Defendants' Releasees as evidence of, or construed as, or deemed to be evidence of any presumption, concession, or admission by any of the Defendants' Releasees with respect to the truth of any fact alleged by Lead Plaintiffs or the validity of any claim that was or could have been asserted or the deficiency of any defense that has been or could have been asserted in this Action or in any other litigation, or of any liability, negligence, fault, or other wrongdoing of any kind of any of the Defendants' Releasees or in any way referred to for any other reason as against any of the Defendants' Releasees, in any civil, criminal or administrative action or proceeding, other than such proceedings as may be necessary to effectuate the provisions of the Stipulation; (b) shall be offered against any of the Plaintiffs' Releasees as evidence of, or construed as, or deemed to be evidence of any presumption, concession or admission by any of the Plaintiffs' Releasees that any of their claims are without merit, that any of the Defendants' Releasees had meritorious defenses, or that damages recoverable under the Complaint would not have exceeded the

Settlement Amount or with respect to any liability, negligence, fault or wrongdoing of any kind,

or in any way referred to for any other reason as against any of the Plaintiffs' Releasees, in any

civil, criminal or administrative action or proceeding, other than such proceedings as may be

necessary to effectuate the provisions of the Stipulation; (c) shall be offered or construed as

evidence that a class should or should not be certified in the Action if the Settlement is not

consummated; or (d) shall be offered or construed against any of the Releasees as an admission,

concession, or presumption that the consideration to be given under the Settlement represents the

amount that could be or would have been recovered after trial; provided, however, that if the

Stipulation is approved by the Court, the Parties and the Releasees and their respective counsel

may refer to it to effectuate the protections from liability granted thereunder or otherwise to

enforce the terms of the Settlement.

27. Supporting Papers – Lead Counsel shall file and serve the opening papers in

support of the proposed Settlement, the Plan of Allocation, and Lead Counsel's motion for an

award of attorneys' fees and reimbursement of Litigation Expenses no later than thirty-five (35)

calendar days prior to the Settlement Hearing; and reply papers, if any, shall be filed and served

no later than seven (7) calendar days prior to the Settlement Hearing.

28. The Court retains jurisdiction to consider all further applications arising out of or

connected with the proposed Settlement.

SO ORDERED this day of , 2017.

The Honorable Brian A. Jackson

Chief United States District Judge

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Exhibit A-1

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UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT MIDDLE DISTRICT OF LOUISIANA

ROBERT F. BACH, et al.,

Plaintiff,

v.

AMEDISYS, INC., et al.,

Defendants.

Consolidated Securities Class Action

Civil Action No. 10-00395-BAJ-RB

Consolidated With:

No. 10-464-BAJ-RB

No. 10-470-BAJ-RB

No. 10-497-BAJ-RB

NOTICE OF (I) PENDENCY OF CLASS ACTION AND CERTIFICATION OF SETTLEMENT CLASS; (II) PROPOSED SETTLEMENT; (III) SETTLEMENT HEARING; AND (IV) MOTION FOR AN AWARD OF ATTORNEYS' FEES AND REIMBURSEMENT OF LITIGATION EXPENSES

TO: All persons and entities who or which purchased the publicly traded common stock of Amedisys during the period from August 2, 2005 through September 30, 2011, inclusive (the "Settlement Class Period"), and were damaged thereby.¹

A Federal Court authorized this Notice. This is not a solicitation from a lawyer.

NOTICE OF PENDENCY OF CLASS ACTION: Please be advised that your rights may be affected by the above-captioned securities class action (the "Action") pending in the United States District Court for the Middle District of Louisiana (the "Court").

NOTICE OF SETTLEMENT: Please also be advised that the Court-appointed Lead Plaintiffs, the Public Employees' Retirement System of Mississippi ("Mississippi PERS") and the Puerto Rico Teachers' Retirement System ("Puerto Rico TRS" and, collectively with Mississippi PERS, "Lead Plaintiffs"), on behalf of themselves and the other members of the Settlement Class (as defined in ¶ 31 below), have reached a proposed settlement of the Action with Defendants Amedisys, Inc. ("Amedisys" or the "Company"), and Wendy Stabiler Borne as the Independent Executrix of the Succession of William F. Borne, Jeffrey D. Jeter, Dale E. Redman, Larry R. Graham, Alice Ann Schwartz, Gregory Browne, and John F. Giblin (the "Defendants" and together with Lead Plaintiffs, the "Parties") for \$43,750,000.00 in cash (the "Settlement"). If approved, the Settlement will resolve all claims asserted in the Action.

¹ All capitalized terms used in this Notice that are not otherwise defined herein shall have the meanings ascribed to them in the Stipulation and Agreement of Settlement dated August 4, 2017 (the "Stipulation"), which is available at www.AmedisysSecuritiesLitigation.com.

PLEASE READ THIS NOTICE CAREFULLY. This Notice explains important rights you may have, including the possible receipt of cash from the Settlement. If you are a member of the Settlement Class, your legal rights will be affected whether or not you act.

If you have any questions about this Notice, the proposed Settlement, or your eligibility to participate in the Settlement, please DO NOT contact Defendants, their counsel, or the Lead Plaintiffs. All questions should be directed to Lead Counsel or the Claims Administrator ($see \ 987 \ below$).

- 1. <u>Description of the Action and the Settlement Class</u>: This Notice relates to a proposed Settlement of claims in a pending securities fraud class action brought by investors alleging, among other things, that Defendants violated the federal securities laws by issuing materially false and misleading public statements that misrepresented Amedisys's compliance with Medicare regulations and failed to disclose that Amedisys's reported revenues, earnings and earnings per share were materially inflated by fraudulent Medicare billing practices during the Settlement Class Period. A more detailed description of the Action is set forth in ¶¶ 11-30 below. The proposed Settlement, if approved by the Court, will settle claims of the Settlement Class, as defined in ¶ 31 below.
- 2. <u>Statement of the Settlement Class's Recovery:</u> Subject to Court approval, Lead Plaintiffs, on behalf of themselves and the other members of the Settlement Class, have agreed to settle with Defendants in exchange for a settlement payment of \$43,750,000.00 in cash (the "Settlement Amount"), which has been deposited into an escrow account controlled by Lead Counsel. The Net Settlement Fund (*i.e.*, the Settlement Amount plus any and all interest earned thereon (the "Settlement Fund") less (a) any Taxes, (b) any Notice and Administration Costs, (c) any Litigation Expenses awarded by the Court, and (d) any attorneys' fees awarded by the Court) will be distributed to Settlement Class Members in accordance with a plan of allocation that is approved by the Court. The proposed plan of allocation (the "Plan of Allocation") is set forth on pages __-_ below.
- 3. <u>Estimate of Average Amount of Recovery Per Share</u>: Based on Lead Plaintiffs' damages expert's estimate of the number of shares of Amedisys common stock purchased during the Settlement Class Period that may have been affected by the conduct at issue in the Action, and assuming that all Settlement Class Members elect to participate in the Settlement, the estimated average recovery (before the deduction of any Court-approved fees, expenses and costs as described herein) is \$1.78 per affected share of Amedisys common stock.² Settlement Class Members should note, however, that the foregoing average recovery per share is only an estimate. Settlement Class Members may recover more or less than this estimated amount depending on, among other factors, when and at what prices they purchased or sold their shares and the total number of shares for which valid Claim Forms are submitted.
- 4. <u>Average Amount of Damages Per Share</u>: The Parties do not agree on the average amount of damages per share that would be recoverable if Lead Plaintiffs were to prevail in the Action. Among other things, the Defendants do not agree that they violated the federal securities laws or that damages were suffered (at all, or in the amount contended by Lead Plaintiffs) by any members of the Settlement Class as a result of their conduct.

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² An allegedly affected share might have been traded more than once during the Settlement Class Period, and this average recovery would be the total for all purchasers of that share.

- 5. Attorneys' Fees and Expenses Sought: Plaintiffs' Counsel, which have been prosecuting this Action on a wholly contingent basis since its inception in 2010, have not received any payment of attorneys' fees for their representation of the Settlement Class and have advanced the funds to pay expenses necessarily incurred to prosecute the Action. Courtappointed Lead Counsel, Bernstein Litowitz Berger & Grossmann LLP and Wolf Popper LLP, will apply to the Court for an award of attorneys' fees for all Plaintiffs' Counsel in an amount not to exceed 20% of the Settlement Fund. In addition, Lead Counsel will apply for reimbursement of Litigation Expenses paid or incurred in connection with the institution, prosecution, and resolution of the Action, in an amount not to exceed \$975,000, which may include an application for reimbursement of the reasonable costs and expenses incurred by Lead Plaintiffs directly related to their representation of the Settlement Class. Any fees and expenses awarded by the Court will be paid from the Settlement Fund. Settlement Class Members are not personally liable for any such fees or expenses. If the Court approves Lead Counsel's fee and expense application, the estimated average cost per affected share of Amedisys common stock will be approximately \$0.40.
- 6. <u>Identification of Attorneys' Representatives</u>: Lead Plaintiffs and the Settlement Class are represented by John C. Browne, Esq. of Bernstein Litowitz Berger & Grossmann LLP, 1251 Avenue of the Americas, 44th Floor, New York, NY 10020, (800) 380-8496, and Robert C. Finkel, Esq. of Wolf Popper LLP, 845 Third Avenue, 12th Floor, New York, NY 10022, (212) 759-4600.
- 7. Reasons for the Settlement: Lead Plaintiffs' principal reason for entering into the Settlement is the substantial immediate cash benefit for the Settlement Class without the risk or delays inherent in further litigation. Moreover, the substantial cash benefit provided under the Settlement must be considered against the significant risk that a smaller recovery or indeed no recovery at all might be achieved after further contested motions, a trial of the Action and the likely appeals that would follow a trial. This process could be expected to last several years. Defendants, who deny all allegations of wrongdoing or liability whatsoever, are entering into the Settlement solely to eliminate the uncertainty, burden and expense of further protracted litigation.

YOUR LEGAL RIGHTS AND OPTIONS IN THE SETTLEMENT:		
This is the only way to be eligible to receive a payment from		
the Settlement Fund. If you are a Settlement Class Member		
and you remain in the Settlement Class, you will be bound by		
the Settlement as approved by the Court and you will give up		
any Released Plaintiffs' Claims (defined in ¶ 38 below) that		
you have against Defendants and the other Defendants'		
Releasees (defined in ¶ 39 below), so it is in your interest to		
submit a Claim Form.		

EXCLUDE YOURSELF FROM THE SETTLEMENT CLASS BY SUBMITTING A WRITTEN REQUEST FOR EXCLUSION SO THAT IT IS RECEIVED NO LATER THAN, 2017.	If you exclude yourself from the Settlement Class, you will not be eligible to receive any payment from the Settlement Fund. This is the only option that allows you ever to be part of any other lawsuit against any of the Defendants or the other Defendants' Releasees concerning the Released Plaintiffs' Claims. Please note: if you decide to exclude yourself from the Settlement Class, you may be time-barred from asserting the claims covered by this Action by the five-year statute of repose set forth in 28 U.S.C. § 1658(b).
OBJECT TO THE SETTLEMENT BY SUBMITTING A WRITTEN OBJECTION SO THAT IT IS RECEIVED NO LATER THAN, 2017.	If you do not like the proposed Settlement, the proposed Plan of Allocation, or the request for attorneys' fees and reimbursement of Litigation Expenses, you may write to the Court and explain why you do not like them. You cannot object to the Settlement, the Plan of Allocation or the fee and expense request unless you are a Settlement Class Member and do not exclude yourself from the Settlement Class.
GO TO A HEARING ON, 2017 AT:M., AND FILE A NOTICE OF INTENTION TO APPEAR SO THAT IT IS RECEIVED NO LATER THAN, 2017.	Any Settlement Class Member may attend the Settlement Hearing. Filing a written objection and notice of intention to appear by, 2017 allows you to speak in Court, at the discretion of the Court, about the fairness of the proposed Settlement, the Plan of Allocation, and/or the request for attorneys' fees and reimbursement of Litigation Expenses. If you submit a written objection, you may (but you do not have to) attend the hearing and, if you also file a notice of intention to appear, speak to the Court about your objection at the discretion of the Court.
DO NOTHING.	If you are a member of the Settlement Class and you do not submit a valid Claim Form, you will not be eligible to receive any payment from the Settlement Fund. You will, however, remain a member of the Settlement Class, which means that you give up your right to sue about the claims that are resolved by the Settlement and you will be bound by any judgments or orders entered by the Court in the Action.

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WHY DID I GET THIS NOTICE?

- 8. The purpose of this Notice is to inform you of the existence of this case, that it is a class action, how you might be affected, and how to exclude yourself from the Settlement Class if you wish to do so. It is also being sent to inform you of the terms of the proposed Settlement, and of a hearing to be held by the Court to consider the fairness, reasonableness, and adequacy of the Settlement, the proposed Plan of Allocation and the motion by Lead Counsel for an award of attorneys' fees and reimbursement of Litigation Expenses (the "Settlement Hearing"). See ¶ 77 below for details about the Settlement Hearing, including the date and location of the hearing.
- 9. The Court directed that this Notice be mailed to you because you or someone in your family or an investment account for which you serve as a custodian may have purchased Amedisys common stock during the Settlement Class Period. The Court has directed us to send you this Notice because, as a potential Settlement Class Member, you have a right to know about your options before the Court rules on the proposed Settlement. Additionally, you have the right to understand how this class action lawsuit may generally affect your legal rights.
- 10. The issuance of this Notice is not an expression of any opinion by the Court concerning the merits of any claim in the Action, and the Court has not yet decided whether to approve the Settlement. If the Court approves the Settlement and a plan of allocation, then payments to Authorized Claimants will be made after any appeals are resolved and after the completion of all claims processing. Please be patient, as this process can take some time to complete.

WHAT IS THIS CASE ABOUT?

- 11. This case is a securities class action and is known as *Robert F. Bach, et al., v. Amedisys, Inc., et al., Civil Action No. 10-00395-BAJ-RB*. The Court in charge of the case is the United States District Court for the Middle District of Louisiana, and the presiding judge is the Honorable Chief Judge Brian A. Jackson.
- 12. On June 10, 2010, a putative securities class action complaint was filed with the Court. In accordance with the Private Securities Litigation Reform Act of 1995, 15 U.S.C. § 78u-4, notice to the public was issued stating the deadline by which putative class members could move the Court for appointment as lead plaintiff.

- 13. By Order dated October 21, 2010, the Court appointed Mississippi PERS and Puerto Rico TRS as Lead Plaintiffs for the Action, and approved Lead Plaintiffs' selection of Bernstein Litowitz Berger & Grossmann LLP and Wolf Popper LLP as Lead Counsel, and Richard Ieyoub, Esq, as Liaison Counsel.
- 14. On January 18, 2011, Lead Plaintiffs filed their Consolidated Securities Class Action Complaint (the "Consolidated Complaint") asserting claims against all Defendants under Section 10(b) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 (the "Exchange Act") and Rule 10b-5 promulgated thereunder, and against the Individual Defendants under Section 20(a) of the Exchange Act. The Consolidated Complaint alleged, among other things, that Defendants issued materially false and misleading public statements that misrepresented Amedisys's compliance with Medicare regulations, and failed to disclose that Amedisys's reported revenues, earnings and earnings per share were materially inflated by fraudulent Medicare billing practices. The Consolidated Complaint further alleged that the price of Amedisys common stock was artificially inflated as a result of Defendants' allegedly false and misleading statements and omissions, and declined when the truth was revealed.
- 15. On March 21, 2011, Defendants moved to dismiss the Consolidated Complaint pursuant to Fed. R. Civ. P. 12(b)(6) for failure to state a claim. Lead Plaintiffs opposed that motion on May 3, 2011, and Defendants filed a reply in support of their motion on May 31, 2011.
- 16. On June 28, 2012, the Court granted Defendants' motion to dismiss the Consolidated Complaint for failure to adequately allege loss causation.
- 17. On July 26, 2012, Lead Plaintiffs filed a Motion for Reconsideration of the Court's Opinion and Order Dismissing the Consolidated Complaint and on August 29, 2012, Defendants filed a Response in Opposition to the Motion for Reconsideration.
 - 18. On April 9, 2013, the Court denied Lead Plaintiffs' Motion for Reconsideration.
- 19. On May 3, 2013, Lead Plaintiffs filed a Notice of Appeal to the U.S. Court of Appeals for the Fifth Circuit from the Court's Orders dated June 28, 2013 and April 9, 2013. On October 2, 2014, the Fifth Circuit unanimously reversed and vacated the District Court's Order. *Pub. Employees' Ret. Sys. of Miss. v. Amedisys, Inc.*, 769 F.3d 313 (5th Cir. 2014). The Fifth Circuit held that Lead Plaintiffs adequately pled loss causation. Defendants subsequently petitioned the U.S. Supreme Court for writ of *certiorari* and the Supreme Court denied Defendants' petition. *See Amedisys, Inc. v. Pub. Employees' Ret. Sys. of Miss.*, 135 S. Ct. 2892 (2015).
- 20. On remand, on September 30, 2015, over Defendants' opposition, the District Court granted Lead Plaintiffs' motion for leave to file an amended complaint and, that day, Lead Plaintiffs filed the First Amended Consolidated Securities Class Action Complaint (the "Complaint" or "Amended Complaint").
- 21. On December 15, 2015, Defendants again moved to dismiss the Complaint, challenging the elements of falsity and scienter. On January 29, 2016, Lead Plaintiffs opposed Defendants' motions to dismiss.
- 22. On June 21, 2016, with Defendants' motions to dismiss pending before the Court, the Parties held a mediation before the Hon. Daniel Weinstein (retired) in an attempt to resolve the Action. That mediation was unsuccessful.

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- 23. On August 19, 2016, the Court denied Defendants' motions to dismiss in part and granted them in part. The Court sustained Lead Plaintiffs' §10(b) claims against Defendants Amedisys, Borne, and Jeter, and sustained the §20(a) claims against Defendants Borne, Jeter, Schwartz, Redman, and Graham. The Court dismissed with prejudice the §10(b) claims against Defendants Graham, Redman, Giblin, Browne, and Schwartz and dismissed with prejudice the §20(a) claims against Defendants Giblin and Browne.
- 24. Discovery was stayed pending the Court's denial of Defendants' motions to dismiss. After the Court's August 19, 2016 decision, the Parties exchanged initial disclosures, served and responded to requests for production of documents and interrogatories, and commenced document production. Defendants produced documents that they previously produced in connection with investigations conducted by the U.S. Securities & Exchange Commission ("SEC"), the U.S. Department of Justice ("DOJ"), and the U.S. Senate Finance Committee, and began collecting and producing to Lead Plaintiffs documents responsive to Lead Plaintiffs' document requests that Defendants had not already produced in connection with those government investigations. Lead Plaintiffs also served seven (7) subpoenas on third-parties and issued Freedom of Information Act requests to the DOJ and SEC.
- 25. On March 23, 2017, Magistrate Judge Bourgeois held a scheduling conference to discuss the parties' proposed competing schedules for the Action. On May 24, 2017, the Court entered a Scheduling Order, directing, among other things, that briefing on Lead Plaintiffs' motion for class certification be completed by October 27, 2017; a hearing on Lead Plaintiffs' motion for class certification be conducted on November 9, 2017; and that document production related to general fact discovery be substantially completed by October 19, 2017.
- 26. On June 12, 2017, the Parties participated in a mediation with the Hon. Layn R. Phillips, a former United States District Judge. After a full day of arm's-length negotiations and discussions with Judge Phillips, the Parties reached an agreement in principle to settle the Action that was memorialized in a term sheet executed on June 12, 2017 (the "Term Sheet"). The Term Sheet sets forth, among other things, the Parties' agreement to settle and release all claims asserted in the Action in return for a cash payment of \$43,750,000.00 to be paid by or on behalf of Defendants for the benefit of the Settlement Class.
- 27. At the time the settlement was reached, Lead Plaintiffs were in the process of working with their market efficiency expert concerning his expert report on class certification issues, which was due to be served on June 19, 2017.
- 28. On August 4, 2017, the Parties entered into a Stipulation and Agreement of Settlement (the "Stipulation"), which sets forth the terms and conditions of the Settlement. The Stipulation can be viewed at www.AmedisysSecuritiesLitigation.com.
- 29. On ______, 2017, the Court preliminarily approved the Settlement, authorized this Notice to be disseminated to potential Settlement Class Members, and scheduled the Settlement Hearing to consider whether to grant final approval of the Settlement.
- 30. Defendants deny that they have violated the federal securities laws or any other laws. Defendants also have denied and continue to deny specifically each and all of the claims and contentions alleged in the Action.

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HOW DO I KNOW IF I AM AFFECTED BY THE SETTLEMENT? WHO IS INCLUDED IN THE SETTLEMENT CLASS?

31. If you are a member of the Settlement Class, you are subject to the Settlement, unless you timely request to be excluded. The Settlement Class consists of:

all persons and entities who or which purchased the publicly traded common stock of Amedisys during the period from August 2, 2005 through September 30, 2011, inclusive (the "Settlement Class Period"), and were damaged thereby.

Excluded from the Settlement Class are: (i) Defendants, and all current and former officers and directors of Amedisys; (ii) members of the Immediate Family and household members of any such person excluded under (i); (iii) any entities affiliated with, controlled by, or more than 5% owned by, any person excluded under (i) and (ii); (iv) any parent, subsidiary or affiliate of Amedisys, including the Amedisys, Inc. 401(k) Plan; and (v) the legal representatives, heirs, successors, or assigns of any person excluded under (i) through (iv). Also excluded from the Settlement Class are any persons or entities that exclude themselves by submitting a request for exclusion in accordance with the requirements set forth in this Notice. *See* "What If I Do Not Want To Be A Member Of The Settlement Class? How Do I Exclude Myself?," on page ____ below.

PLEASE NOTE: RECEIPT OF THIS NOTICE DOES NOT MEAN THAT YOU ARE A SETTLEMENT CLASS MEMBER OR THAT YOU WILL BE ENTITLED TO RECEIVE MONEY FROM THE SETTLEMENT.

IF YOU ARE A SETTLEMENT CLASS MEMBER AND YOU WISH TO BE ELIGIBLE TO PARTICIPATE IN THE DISTRIBUTION OF PROCEEDS FROM THE SETTLEMENT, YOU ARE REQUIRED TO SUBMIT THE CLAIM FORM THAT IS BEING DISTRIBUTED WITH THIS NOTICE AND THE REQUIRED SUPPORTING DOCUMENTATION AS SET FORTH THEREIN POSTMARKED NO LATER THAN , 2017.

WHAT ARE THE LEAD PLAINTIFFS' REASONS FOR THE SETTLEMENT?

32. Lead Plaintiffs and Lead Counsel believe that the claims asserted in the Action have merit. Lead Plaintiffs and Lead Counsel recognize, however, the expense and length of continued proceedings necessary to pursue the claims asserted in the Action through trial and appeals, as well as the very substantial risks they would face in establishing liability and damages. In particular, Lead Plaintiffs recognize that Defendants have significant arguments that their alleged misstatements were not materially misleading and that, even if they made materially misleading statements, they did not do so intentionally or recklessly. Lead Plaintiffs also would face challenges with respect to establishing loss causation and class-wide damages. Lead Plaintiffs recognize that Defendants have substantial arguments that the decline in Amedisys's stock price during the Settlement Class Period related to disclosure of facts other than those alleged by Lead Plaintiffs to have been materially false and misleading. Further, Plaintiffs would have had to prevail at several stages – class certification, motion for summary judgment and trial – and if they prevailed at those stages, the appeals that were likely to follow. Thus, there were significant risks attendant to the continued prosecution of the Action.

- 33. In light of these risks and the immediacy of the \$43,750,000.00 cash recovery, Lead Plaintiffs and Lead Counsel believe that the proposed Settlement is an excellent result, and is in the best interests of the Settlement Class.
- 34. Defendants have agreed to the Settlement solely to eliminate the burden and expense of continued litigation. Defendants deny the claims asserted against them in the Action and deny having engaged in any wrongdoing or violation of law of any kind whatsoever.

WHAT MIGHT HAPPEN IF THERE WERE NO SETTLEMENT?

35. If there were no Settlement and Lead Plaintiffs failed to establish any essential legal or factual element of their claims against Defendants, neither Lead Plaintiffs nor the other members of the Settlement Class would recover anything from Defendants. Also, if Defendants were successful in defeating class certification, narrowing the scope of the Class Period, or proving any of their defenses, either at summary judgment, at trial or on appeal, the Settlement Class could recover substantially less than the amount provided in the Settlement, or nothing at all.

HOW ARE SETTLEMENT CLASS MEMBERS AFFECTED BY THE ACTION AND THE SETTLEMENT?

- 36. As a Settlement Class Member, you are represented by Lead Plaintiffs and Lead Counsel, unless you enter an appearance through counsel of your own choice at your own expense. You are not required to retain your own counsel. Settlement Class Members may enter an appearance through an attorney if they so desire, but such counsel must file and serve a notice of appearance as provided in ¶ 83 below and will be retained at the individual Settlement Class Member's expense.
- 37. If you are a Settlement Class Member and you do not exclude yourself from the Settlement Class, you will be bound by any orders issued by the Court. If the Settlement is approved, the Court will enter a judgment (the "Judgment"). The Judgment will dismiss with prejudice the Action and will provide that, upon the Effective Date of the Settlement, Lead Plaintiffs and each of the other Settlement Class Members, on behalf of themselves and their respective heirs, executors, administrators, predecessors, successors, and assigns, in their capacities as such, will have fully, finally and forever compromised, settled, released, resolved, relinquished, waived and discharged each and every Released Plaintiffs' Claim (as defined in ¶ 39 below) against the Defendants and the other Defendants' Releasees (as defined in ¶ 39 below), and will forever be barred and enjoined from prosecuting any or all of the Released Plaintiffs' Claims against any of the Defendants' Releasees.
- 38. "Released Plaintiffs' Claims" means any and all claims (including "Unknown Claims"), debts, disputes, demands, rights, actions or causes of action, liabilities, damages, losses, obligations, sums of money due, judgments, suits, amounts, matters, issues and charges of any kind whatsoever (including, not limited to, any claims of interest, attorneys' fees, expert or consulting fees, and any other costs, expenses, amounts, or liabilities whatsoever), whether fixed or contingent, accrued or unaccrued, liquidated or unliquidated, at law or in equity, matured or unmatured, foreseen or unforeseen, whether individual or class in nature, whether arising under federal or state statutory or common law or any other law, rule or regulation, whether foreign or domestic, that Lead Plaintiffs or the Settlement Class: (1) alleged in any complaint filed in the

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Action, or (2) could have asserted in any forum that arise out of, are based upon, or are related to the facts, allegations, transactions, matters, events, disclosures, non-disclosures, occurrences, representations, statements, acts or omissions or failures to act involved, set forth, or referred to in any complaint filed in the Action and that relate to the purchase of Amedisys common stock during the Settlement Class Period, or that otherwise would have been barred by *res judicata* had the Action been fully litigated to a final judgment. "Released Plaintiffs' Claims" do not include any claims to enforce the Settlement.

- 39. "Defendants' Releasees" means Defendants and their respective current and former Officers, directors, agents, parents, affiliates, subsidiaries, successors, predecessors, assigns, assignees, employees, Immediate Family members, insurers and reinsurers, accountants, and attorneys, in their capacities as such.
- 40. "Unknown Claims" means any Released Plaintiffs' Claims which any Lead Plaintiff or any other Settlement Class Member does not know or suspect to exist in his, her or its favor at the time of the release of such claims, and any Released Defendants' Claims which any Defendant does not know or suspect to exist in his, her, or its favor at the time of the release of such claims, which, if known by him, her or it, might have affected his, her or its decision(s) with respect to this Settlement. With respect to any and all Released Claims, Lead Plaintiffs and Defendants stipulate and agree that, upon the Effective Date of the Settlement, Lead Plaintiffs and Defendants shall expressly waive, and each of the other Settlement Class Members shall be deemed to have waived, and by operation of the Judgment shall have expressly waived, any and all provisions, rights, and benefits conferred by any law of any state or territory of the United States, or principle of common law or foreign law, which is similar, comparable, or equivalent to California Civil Code §1542, which provides:

A general release does not extend to claims which the creditor does not know or suspect to exist in his or her favor at the time of executing the release, which if known by him or her must have materially affected his or her settlement with the debtor.

Lead Plaintiffs and Defendants acknowledge, and each of the other Settlement Class Members shall be deemed by operation of law to have acknowledged, that the foregoing waiver was separately bargained for and a key element of the Settlement.

- 41. The Judgment will also provide that, upon the Effective Date of the Settlement, Defendants, on behalf of themselves and their respective heirs, executors, administrators, predecessors, successors, and assigns, in their capacities as such, will have fully, finally and forever compromised, settled, released, resolved, relinquished, waived and discharged each and every Released Defendants' Claim (as defined in ¶ 42 below) against Lead Plaintiffs and the other Plaintiffs' Releasees (as defined in ¶ 43 below), and shall forever be barred and enjoined from prosecuting any or all of the Released Defendants' Claims against any of the Plaintiffs' Releasees.
- 42. "Released Defendants' Claims" means any and all claims or causes of action of every nature and description (including "Unknown Claims"), whether arising under federal, state, common or foreign law, that arise out of, are based upon, or relate in any way to the institution,

prosecution, or settlement of the claims against Defendants, except for claims relating to the enforcement of the Settlement.

43. "Plaintiffs' Releasees" means Lead Plaintiffs and their attorneys, including Plaintiffs' Counsel, and all other Settlement Class Members, and their respective current and former Officers, directors, agents, parents, affiliates, subsidiaries, successors, predecessors, assigns, assignees, employees, Immediate Family members, insurers and reinsurers, accountants, and attorneys, in their capacities as such.

HOW DO I PARTICIPATE IN THE SETTLEMENT? WHAT DO I NEED TO DO?

44. To be eligible for a payment from the proceeds of the Settlement, you must be a member of the Settlement Class and you must timely complete and return the Claim Form with adequate supporting documentation **postmarked no later than _______, 2017**. A Claim Form is included with this Notice, or you may obtain one from the website maintained by the Claims Administrator for the Settlement, www.AmedisysSecuritiesLitigation.com, or you may request that a Claim Form be mailed to you by calling the Claims Administrator toll free at 888-207-7560 or by emailing the Claims Administrator at info@AmedisysSecuritiesLitigation.com. Please retain all records of your ownership of and transactions in Amedisys common stock, as they may be needed to document your Claim. If you request exclusion from the Settlement Class or do not submit a timely and valid Claim Form, you will not be eligible to share in the Net Settlement Fund.

HOW MUCH WILL MY PAYMENT BE?

- 45. At this time, it is not possible to make any determination as to how much any individual Settlement Class Member may receive from the Settlement. A Claimant's recovery will depend upon several factors, including when and at what prices he, she, or it purchased or sold the shares, and the total number of shares for which valid Claim Forms are submitted.
- 46. Pursuant to the Settlement, Defendants have caused \$43,750,000.00 to be deposited into an escrow account controlled by Lead Counsel. The Settlement Amount plus any interest earned thereon is referred to as the "Settlement Fund." If the Settlement is approved by the Court and the Effective Date occurs, the Net Settlement Fund will be distributed to Settlement Class Members who submit valid Claim Forms, in accordance with the proposed Plan of Allocation or such other plan of allocation as the Court may approve.
- 47. The Net Settlement Fund will not be distributed unless and until the Court has approved the Settlement and a plan of allocation, and the time for any petition for rehearing, appeal or review, whether by certiorari or otherwise, has expired.
- 48. Neither the Defendants, the Defendants' insurance carriers, nor any other person or entity that paid any portion of the Settlement Amount on behalf of the Defendants is entitled to get back any portion of the Settlement Fund once the Court's order or judgment approving the Settlement becomes Final. Defendants shall not have any liability, obligation or responsibility for the administration of the Settlement, the disbursement of the Net Settlement Fund or the plan of allocation.

- 49. Approval of the Settlement is independent from approval of a plan of allocation. Any determination with respect to a plan of allocation will not affect the Settlement, if approved.
- 50. Unless the Court otherwise orders, any Settlement Class Member who fails to submit a Claim Form shall be fully and forever barred from receiving payments pursuant to the Settlement but will in all other respects remain a Settlement Class Member and be subject to the provisions of the Stipulation, including the terms of any Judgment entered and the releases given. This means that each Settlement Class Member releases the Released Plaintiffs' Claims (as defined in ¶ 38 above) against the Defendants' Releasees (as defined in ¶ 39 above) and will be enjoined and prohibited from filing, prosecuting, or pursuing any of the Released Plaintiffs' Claims against any of the Defendants' Releasees whether or not such Settlement Class Member submits a Claim Form.
- 51. A Claim Form shall be considered timely provided that it is received with a postmark indicated on the envelope and if mailed by first-class mail and addressed in accordance with the instructions thereon. In all other cases, the Claim Form shall be deemed to have been submitted on the date when actually received by the Claims Administrator. Participants in and beneficiaries of the Amedisys, Inc. 401(k) Plan or any other plan covered by the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974 (collectively, an "ERISA Plan") should NOT include any information relating to their transactions in Amedisys common stock held through the ERISA Plan in any Claim Form that they may submit in this Action. They should include ONLY those shares that they purchased outside of the ERISA Plan.
- 52. The Court has reserved jurisdiction to allow, disallow, or adjust on equitable grounds the Claim of any Settlement Class Member.
- 53. Each Claimant shall be deemed to have submitted to the jurisdiction of the Court with respect to his, her or its Claim Form.
- 54. Only Settlement Class Members, *i.e.*, persons and entities who or which purchased Amedisys common stock during the Settlement Class Period and were damaged as a result of such purchases, will be eligible to share in the distribution of the Net Settlement Fund. Persons and entities that are excluded from the Settlement Class by definition or that exclude themselves from the Settlement Class pursuant to request will not be eligible to receive a distribution from the Net Settlement Fund and should not submit Claim Forms.

PROPOSED PLAN OF ALLOCATION

- 55. The objective of the Plan of Allocation is to distribute the Settlement proceeds equitably among those Settlement Class Members who suffered economic losses as a proximate result of the alleged wrongdoing. The Plan of Allocation is not a formal damage analysis, and the calculations made in accordance with the Plan of Allocation are not intended to be estimates of, or indicative of, the amounts that Settlement Class Members might have been able to recover after a trial. Nor are the calculations in accordance with the Plan of Allocation intended to be estimates of the amounts that will be paid to Authorized Claimants under the Settlement. The computations under the Plan of Allocation are only a method to weigh the claims of Authorized Claimants against one another for the purpose of making *pro rata* allocations of the Net Settlement Fund.
- 56. In developing the Plan of Allocation, Lead Plaintiffs' damages expert calculated the estimated amount of artificial inflation in the per share closing prices of Amedisys common

stock that was allegedly proximately caused by Defendants' alleged false and misleading statements and material omissions. In calculating the estimated artificial inflation allegedly caused by the alleged misrepresentations and omissions, Lead Plaintiffs' damages expert considered price changes in Amedisys common stock in reaction to certain public announcements allegedly revealing the truth concerning Defendants' alleged misrepresentations and material omissions, adjusting for price changes that were attributable to market or industry forces. The estimated artificial inflation in Amedisys common stock is shown in Table A set forth at the end of this Notice.

57. In order to have recoverable damages, disclosure of the alleged misrepresentations or omissions must be the cause of the decline in the price of Amedisys common stock. In this case, Lead Plaintiffs allege that Defendants made false statements and omitted material facts during the period from August 2, 2005 through and including September 30, 2011, which had the effect of artificially inflating the prices of Amedisys common stock. Lead Plaintiffs further allege that corrective disclosures removed artificial inflation from the price of Amedisys common stock on August 12, 2008, September 3, 2009, October 15, 2009, April 27, 2010, May 13, 2010, July 1, 2010, July 13, 2010, September 28, 2010, August 2, 2011, October 3, 2011, and October 4, 2011. In order to have a "Recognized Loss Amount" under the Plan of Allocation, the shares of Amedisys common stock must have been purchased during the Settlement Class Period and held through at least one of these corrective disclosures.

CALCULATION OF RECOGNIZED LOSS AMOUNTS

- 58. Based on the formula stated below, a "Recognized Loss Amount" will be calculated for each purchase of Amedisys common stock during the Settlement Class Period that is listed on the Proof of Claim Form and for which adequate documentation is provided. If a Recognized Loss Amount calculates to a negative number or zero under the formula below, that Recognized Loss Amount will be zero.
- 59. For each share of Amedisys common stock purchased during the period from August 2, 2005 through and including the close of trading on September 30, 2011, and:
 - (a) Sold prior to the close of trading on August 11, 2008, the Recognized Loss Amount will be \$0.00.
 - (b) Sold during the period from August 12, 2008 through the close of trading on October 3, 2011, and held through at least one of the alleged corrective disclosures identified above in ¶ 57, the Recognized Loss Amount will be *the lesser of*: (i) the amount of artificial inflation per share stated in Table A on the date of purchase minus the amount of artificial inflation per share stated in Table A on the date of sale; or (ii) the purchase price minus the sale price.
 - (c) Sold during the period from October 4, 2011 through and including the close of trading on December 30, 2011, the Recognized Loss Amount will be *the least of*: (i) the amount of artificial inflation per share stated in Table A on the date of purchase; (ii) the purchase price minus the sale price; or (iii) the purchase price minus the average closing price between October 4, 2011 and the date of sale stated in Table B at the end of this Notice.

(d) Held as of the close of trading on December 30, 2011, the Recognized Loss Amount will be *the lesser of*: (i) the amount of artificial inflation per share stated in Table A on the date of purchase; or (ii) the purchase price minus \$11.64, the average closing price for Amedisys common stock between October 4, 2011 and December 30, 2011 (the last entry on Table B).³

ADDITIONAL PROVISIONS

- 60. The Net Settlement Fund will be allocated among all Authorized Claimants whose Distribution Amount (defined in ¶ 63 below) is \$10.00 or greater.
- 61. If a Settlement Class Member has more than one purchase or sale of Amedisys common stock, purchases and sales will be matched on a Last In, First Out ("LIFO") basis. Under the LIFO methodology, sales of Amedisys common stock will be matched first against the most recent prior purchases in reverse chronological order, and then against holdings at the beginning of the Settlement Class Period.
- 62. A Claimant's "Recognized Claim" under the Plan of Allocation will be the sum of his, her, or its Recognized Loss Amounts.
- 63. The Net Settlement Fund will be distributed to Authorized Claimants on a *pro rata* basis based on the relative size of their Recognized Claims. Specifically, a "Distribution Amount" will be calculated for each Authorized Claimant, which will be the Authorized Claimant's Recognized Claim divided by the total Recognized Claims of all Authorized Claimants, multiplied by the total amount in the Net Settlement Fund. If any Authorized Claimant's Distribution Amount calculates to less than \$10.00, it will not be included in the calculation and no distribution will be made to that Authorized Claimant.
- 64. Purchases and sales of Amedisys common stock will be deemed to have occurred on the "contract" or "trade" date as opposed to the "settlement" or "payment" date. The receipt or grant by gift, inheritance, or operation of law of Amedisys common stock during the Settlement Class Period will not be deemed a purchase or sale of Amedisys common stock for the calculation of an Authorized Claimant's Recognized Loss Amount, nor will the receipt or grant be deemed an assignment of any claim relating to the purchase of Amedisys common stock unless (i) the donor or decedent purchased the shares during the Settlement Class Period; (ii) no Claim Form was submitted by or on behalf of the donor, on behalf of the decedent, or by anyone else with respect to those shares; and (iii) it is specifically so provided in the instrument of gift or assignment.
- 65. The date of covering a "short sale" is deemed to be the date of purchase of the Amedisys common stock. The date of a "short sale" is deemed to be the date of sale of Amedisys common stock. Under the Plan of Allocation, however, the Recognized Loss Amount on "short sales" is

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³ Under Section 21(D)(e)(1) of the Exchange Act, "in any private action arising under this Act in which the plaintiff seeks to establish damages by reference to the market price of a security, the award of damages to the plaintiff shall not exceed the difference between the purchase or sale price paid or received, as appropriate, by the plaintiff for the subject security and the mean trading price of that security during the 90-day period beginning on the date on which the information correcting the misstatement or omission that is the basis for the action is disseminated to the market." Consistent with the requirements of the statute, Recognized Loss Amounts are reduced to an appropriate extent by taking into account the closing prices of Amedisys common stock during the 90-day look-back period. The mean (average) closing price for Amedisys common stock during this 90-day look-back period was \$11.64.

zero. In the event that a Claimant has an opening short position in Amedisys common stock, his, her, or its earliest Settlement Class Period purchases of Amedisys common stock will be matched against the opening short position, and not be entitled to a recovery, until that short position is fully covered.

- 66. Option contracts are not securities eligible to participate in the Settlement. With respect to shares of Amedisys common stock purchased or sold through the exercise of an option, the purchase/sale date of the Amedisys common stock is the exercise date of the option and the purchase/sale price of the Amedisys common stock is the exercise price of the option.
- 67. If a Claimant had a market gain with respect to his, her, or its overall transactions in Amedisys common stock during the Settlement Class Period, the value of the Claimant's Recognized Claim will be zero, and the Claimant will in any event be bound by the Settlement. If a Claimant suffered an overall market loss with respect to his, her, or its overall transactions in Amedisys common stock during the Settlement Class Period but that market loss was less than the Claimant's total Recognized Claim calculated above, then the Claimant's Recognized Claim will be limited to the amount of the actual market loss.
- 68. For purposes of determining whether a Claimant had a market gain with respect to his, her, or its overall transactions in Amedisys common stock during the Settlement Class Period or suffered a market loss, the Claims Administrator will determine the difference between (i) the Total Purchase Amount⁴ and (ii) the sum of the Total Sales Proceeds⁵ and Holding Value.⁶ This difference will be deemed a Claimant's market gain or loss with respect to his, her, or its overall transactions in Amedisys common stock during the Settlement Class Period.
- 69. After the initial distribution of the Net Settlement Fund, the Claims Administrator will make reasonable and diligent efforts to have Authorized Claimants cash their distribution checks. To the extent any monies remain in the fund nine (9) months after the initial distribution, if Lead Counsel, in consultation with the Claims Administrator, determine that it is cost-effective to do so, the Claims Administrator will conduct a re-distribution of the funds remaining after payment of any unpaid fees and expenses incurred in administering the Settlement, including for such re-distribution, to Authorized Claimants who have cashed their initial distributions and who would receive at least \$10.00 from such re-distribution. Additional re-distributions to Authorized Claimants who have cashed their prior checks and who would receive at least \$10.00 on such additional re-distributions may occur thereafter if Lead Counsel, in consultation with the Claims Administrator, determine that additional re-distributions, after the deduction of any additional fees and expenses incurred in administering the Settlement, including for such re-distributions,

⁴ The "Total Purchase Amount" is the total amount the Claimant paid (excluding commissions and other charges) for Amedisys common stock purchased during the Settlement Class Period.

⁵ The "Total Sales Proceeds" shall be the total amount received (excluding commissions and other charges) for sales of Amedisys common stock that was both purchased and sold by the Claimant during the Settlement Class Period. The LIFO method as described in paragraph 61 will be applied for matching sales to prior purchases.

⁶ The Claims Administrator will ascribe a value of \$11.53 per share for Amedisys common stock purchased during the Settlement Class Period and still held as of the close of trading on September 30, 2011 (the "Holding Value"). The Holding Value is based on the closing price of Amedisys common stock on October 4, 2011.

would be cost-effective. At such time as it is determined that the re-distribution of funds remaining in the Net Settlement Fund is not cost-effective, the remaining balance shall be contributed to non-sectarian, not-for-profit, 501(c)(3) organization(s), to be recommended by Lead Counsel and approved by the Court.

- 70. Payment pursuant to the Plan of Allocation, or such other plan of allocation as may be approved by the Court, shall be conclusive against all Authorized Claimants. No person shall have any claim against Lead Plaintiffs, Plaintiffs' Counsel, Lead Plaintiffs' damages expert, Defendants, Defendants' Counsel, or any of the other Plaintiffs' Releasees or Defendants' Releasees, or the Claims Administrator or other agent designated by Lead Counsel arising from distributions made substantially in accordance with the Stipulation, the plan of allocation approved by the Court, or further orders of the Court. Lead Plaintiffs, the Defendants and their respective counsel, and all other Defendants' Releasees, shall have no responsibility or liability whatsoever for: the investment or distribution of the Settlement Fund or the Net Settlement Fund; the plan of allocation; the determination, administration, calculation, or payment of any Claim Form or nonperformance of the Claims Administrator; the payment or withholding of Taxes; or any losses incurred in connection therewith.
- 71. The Plan of Allocation set forth herein is the plan that is being proposed to the Court for its approval by Lead Plaintiffs after consultation with its damages expert. The Court may approve this plan as proposed or it may modify the Plan of Allocation without further notice to the Settlement Class. Any orders regarding any modification of the Plan of Allocation will be posted on the settlement website, www.AmedisysSecuritiesLitigation.com.

WHAT PAYMENT ARE THE ATTORNEYS FOR THE SETTLEMENT CLASS SEEKING? HOW WILL THE LAWYERS BE PAID?

72. Plaintiffs' Counsel have not received any payment for their services in pursuing claims asserted in the Action on behalf of the Settlement Class, nor have Plaintiffs' Counsel been reimbursed for their out-of-pocket expenses. Before final approval of the Settlement, Lead Counsel will apply to the Court for an award of attorneys' fees for all Plaintiffs' Counsel in an amount not to exceed 20% of the Settlement Fund. At the same time, Lead Counsel also intend to apply for reimbursement of Litigation Expenses in an amount not to exceed \$975,000, which may include an application for reimbursement of the reasonable costs and expenses incurred by Lead Plaintiffs directly related to their representation of the Settlement Class. The Court will determine the amount of any award of attorneys' fees or reimbursement of Litigation Expenses. Such sums as may be approved by the Court will be paid from the Settlement Fund. Settlement Class Members are not personally liable for any such fees or expenses.

WHAT IF I DO NOT WANT TO BE A MEMBER OF THE SETTLEMENT CLASS? HOW DO I EXCLUDE MYSELF?

73. Each Settlement Class Member will be bound by all determinations and judgments in this lawsuit, whether favorable or unfavorable, unless such person or entity mails or delivers a written Request for Exclusion from the Settlement Class, addressed to Amedisys Securities Litigation, EXCLUSIONS, c/o A.B. Data, Ltd., P.O. Box 173001, Milwaukee, WI 53217. The exclusion request must be *received* no later than _______, 2017. You will not be able to

exclude yourself from the Settlement Class after that date. Each Request for Exclusion must: (a) state the name, address, and telephone number of the person or entity requesting exclusion, and in the case of entities, the name and telephone number of the appropriate contact person; (b) state that such person or entity "requests exclusion from the Settlement Class in Robert F. Bach, et al. v. Amedisys, Inc., et al., Case No. 1:10-cv-00395 (M.D. La.)"; (c) state the number of shares of Amedisys common stock that the person or entity requesting exclusion (x) owned as of the close of trading on August 1, 2005 and December 30, 2011, and (y) purchased and/or sold from August 2, 2005 through December 30, 2011, inclusive, as well as the number of shares, dates and prices for each such purchase and/or sale; and (d) be signed by the person or entity requesting exclusion or an authorized representative. A Request for Exclusion shall not be valid and effective unless it provides all the information called for in this paragraph and is received within the time stated above, or is otherwise accepted by the Court. Lead Counsel may, at their discretion, request from any person or entity requesting exclusion documentation sufficient to prove the holding, purchase and sale information provided, no later than five business days after , 2017. Such documentation must be provided within five business days of receipt of the request and, in the absence of production of the requested documentation, the Court may reject the request for exclusion from the Settlement Class.

- 74. If you do not want to be part of the Settlement Class, you must follow these instructions for exclusion even if you have pending, or later file, another lawsuit, arbitration, or other proceeding relating to any Released Plaintiffs' Claim against any of the Defendants' Releasees. **Please note:** if you decide to exclude yourself from the Settlement Class, you may be timebarred from asserting the claims covered by this Action by the five-year statute of repose set forth in 28 U.S.C. § 1658(b).
- 75. If you ask to be excluded from the Settlement Class, you will not be eligible to receive any payment from the Net Settlement Fund.
- 76. Defendants have the right to terminate the Settlement if valid requests for exclusion are received from persons and entities entitled to be members of the Settlement Class in an amount that exceeds an amount agreed to by Lead Plaintiffs and Defendants.

WHEN AND WHERE WILL THE COURT DECIDE WHETHER TO APPROVE THE SETTLEMENT? DO I HAVE TO COME TO THE HEARING? MAY I SPEAK AT THE HEARING IF I DON'T LIKE THE SETTLEMENT?

- 77. The Settlement Hearing will be held on _______, 2017 at _____.m., before the Honorable Chief Judge Brian A. Jackson at the United States District Court for the Middle District of Louisiana, United States Court House, Courtroom _____, 777 Florida Street, Baton Rouge, LA 70801. The Court reserves the right to approve the Settlement, the Plan of Allocation, Lead Counsel's motion for an award of attorneys' fees and reimbursement of Litigation Expenses and/or any other matter related to the Settlement at or after the Settlement Hearing without further notice to the members of the Settlement Class.
- 78. Settlement Class Members do not need to attend the Settlement Hearing. The Court will consider any submission made in accordance with the provisions below even if a Settlement Class Member does not attend the hearing. Participation in the Settlement is not conditioned on attendance at the Settlement Hearing.

79. Any Settlement Class Member who or which does not request exclusion may object to the Settlement, the proposed Plan of Allocation, or Lead Counsel's motion for an award of attorneys' fees and reimbursement of Litigation Expenses. Objections must be in writing. You must file any written objection, together with copies of all other papers and briefs supporting the objection, with the Clerk's Office at the United States District Court for the Middle District of Louisiana at the address set forth below **on or before** _______, 2017. You must also serve the papers on Lead Counsel and on Defendants' Counsel at the addresses set forth below so that the papers are *received* **on or before** _______, 2017.

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80. Any objection: (a) must state the name, address, and telephone number of the person or entity objecting and must be signed by the objector; (b) must contain a statement of the Settlement Class Member's objection or objections, and the specific reasons for each objection, including any legal and evidentiary support the Settlement Class Member wishes to bring to the Court's attention; and (c) must include documents sufficient to prove membership in the Settlement Class, including the number of shares of Amedisys common stock that the objecting Settlement Class Member purchased and/or sold during the Settlement Class Period (*i.e.*, from August 2, 2005 through September 30, 2011, inclusive), as well as the dates and prices of each such purchase and sale. Documents sufficient to prove membership in the Settlement Class include brokerage statements, confirmation slips, or authorized statements from a broker containing the transaction and holding information found in a confirmation slip or account statement. You may not object to the Settlement, the Plan of Allocation, or Lead Counsel's motion for attorneys' fees and reimbursement of Litigation Expenses if you exclude yourself from the Settlement Class or if you are not a member of the Settlement Class.

- 81. You may file a written objection without appearing at the Settlement Hearing. You may not, however, appear at the Settlement Hearing to present your objection unless you first file and serve a written objection in accordance with the procedures described above, unless the Court orders otherwise.
- 82. If you wish to be heard orally at the hearing in opposition to the approval of the Settlement, the Plan of Allocation or Lead Counsel's motion for an award of attorneys' fees and reimbursement of Litigation Expenses, and if you timely file and serve a written objection as described above, you must also file a notice of appearance with the Clerk's Office and serve it on Lead Counsel and Defendants' Counsel at the addresses set forth above so that it is *received* on or before _______, 2017. Persons who intend to object and desire to present evidence at the Settlement Hearing must include in their written objection or notice of appearance the identity of any witnesses they may call to testify and exhibits they intend to introduce into evidence at the hearing. Such persons may be heard orally at the discretion of the Court.
- 83. You are not required to hire an attorney to represent you in making written objections or in appearing at the Settlement Hearing. However, if you decide to hire an attorney, it will be at your own expense, and that attorney must file a notice of appearance with the Court and serve it on Lead Counsel and Defendants' Counsel at the addresses set forth in \P 79 above so that the notice is *received* on or before , 2017.
- 84. The Settlement Hearing may be adjourned by the Court without further written notice to the Settlement Class. If you intend to attend the Settlement Hearing, you should confirm the date and time with Lead Counsel.
- 85. Unless the Court orders otherwise, any Settlement Class Member who does not object in the manner described above will be deemed to have waived any objection and shall be forever foreclosed from making any objection to the proposed Settlement, the proposed Plan of Allocation, or Lead Counsel's motion for an award of attorneys' fees and reimbursement of Litigation Expenses. Settlement Class Members do not need to appear at the Settlement Hearing or take any other action to indicate their approval.

WHAT IF I BOUGHT SHARES ON SOMEONE ELSE'S BEHALF?

86. If you purchased Amedisys common stock from August 2, 2005 through September 30, 2011, inclusive, for the beneficial interest of persons or organizations other than yourself, you must either: (a) within seven (7) calendar days of receipt of this Notice, request from the Claims Administrator sufficient copies of the Notice and Claim Form (the "Notice Packet") to forward to all such beneficial owners and within seven (7) calendar days of receipt of those Notice Packets forward them to all such beneficial owners; or (b) within seven (7) calendar days of receipt of this Notice, provide a list of the names and addresses of all such beneficial owners to Amedisys Securities Litigation, c/o A.B. Data, Ltd., Attn: Fulfillment Department, P.O. Box 173042, Milwaukee, WI 53217. If you choose the second option, the Claims Administrator will send a copy of the Notice Packet to the beneficial owners. Upon full compliance with these directions, such nominees may seek reimbursement of their reasonable expenses actually incurred, by providing the Claims Administrator with proper documentation supporting the expenses for which reimbursement is sought. Copies of this Notice and the Claim Form may maintained by the Claims Administrator, be obtained from the website

<u>www.AmedisysSecuritiesLitigation.com</u>, by calling the Claims Administrator toll-free at 888-207-7560, or by emailing the Claims Administrator at info@AmedisysSecuritiesLitigation.com.

CAN I SEE THE COURT FILE? WHOM SHOULD I CONTACT IF I HAVE QUESTIONS?

87. This Notice contains only a summary of the terms of the proposed Settlement. For more detailed information about the matters involved in this Action, you are referred to the papers on file in the Action, including the Stipulation, which may be inspected during regular office hours at the Office of the Clerk, United States District Court for the Middle District of Louisiana, 777 Florida Street, Baton Rouge, LA 70801. Additionally, copies of the Stipulation and any related orders entered by the Court will be posted on the website maintained by the Claims Administrator, www.AmedisysSecuritiesLitigation.com.

All inquiries concerning this Notice and the Claim Form should be directed to:

and/or

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DO NOT CALL OR WRITE THE COURT, THE OFFICE OF THE CLERK OF THE COURT, DEFENDANTS OR THEIR COUNSEL REGARDING THIS NOTICE.

Dated:, 2017	By Order of the Court
	United States District Court
	Middle District of Louisiana

TABLE A Estimated Artificial Inflation in Amedisys Common Stock from August 2, 2005 through October 4, 2011

Date	Artificial Inflation	Date	Artificial Inflation	Date	Artificial Inflation	Date	Artificial Inflation	Date	Artificial Inflation
8/2/2005	\$14.58	10/7/2005	\$12.40	12/14/2005	\$17.26	2/23/2006	\$11.58	5/2/2006	\$14.28
8/3/2005	\$14.75	10/10/2005	\$11.93	12/15/2005	\$16.66	2/24/2006	\$11.70	5/3/2006	\$16.05
8/4/2005	\$14.34	10/11/2005	\$11.79	12/16/2005	\$17.39	2/27/2006	\$11.80	5/4/2006	\$16.58
8/5/2005	\$14.21	10/12/2005	\$11.65	12/19/2005	\$15.82	2/28/2006	\$12.15	5/5/2006	\$16.32
8/8/2005	\$14.33	10/13/2005	\$12.02	12/20/2005	\$15.86	3/1/2006	\$12.92	5/8/2006	\$16.54
8/9/2005	\$14.07	10/14/2005	\$12.20	12/21/2005	\$16.43	3/2/2006	\$12.27	5/9/2006	\$16.40
8/10/2005	\$13.93	10/17/2005	\$12.68	12/22/2005	\$16.69	3/3/2006	\$12.16	5/10/2006	\$16.32
8/11/2005	\$14.28	10/18/2005	\$13.31	12/23/2005	\$16.41	3/6/2006	\$12.24	5/11/2006	\$15.69
8/12/2005	\$14.14	10/19/2005	\$13.17	12/27/2005	\$15.81	3/7/2006	\$12.14	5/12/2006	\$15.60
8/15/2005	\$14.11	10/20/2005	\$12.99	12/28/2005	\$16.05	3/8/2006	\$12.47	5/15/2006	\$15.62
8/16/2005	\$13.96	10/21/2005	\$13.10	12/29/2005	\$16.04	3/9/2006	\$12.23	5/16/2006	\$15.63
8/17/2005	\$14.16	10/24/2005	\$13.34	12/30/2005	\$15.95	3/10/2006	\$12.55	5/17/2006	\$15.92
8/18/2005	\$14.50	10/25/2005	\$13.26	1/3/2006	\$15.78	3/13/2006	\$12.84	5/18/2006	\$15.34
8/19/2005	\$14.86	10/26/2005	\$13.12	1/4/2006	\$16.34	3/14/2006	\$13.31	5/19/2006	\$15.57
8/22/2005	\$15.17	10/27/2005	\$13.06	1/5/2006	\$16.95	3/15/2006	\$13.21	5/22/2006	\$15.44
8/23/2005	\$14.91	10/28/2005	\$13.32	1/6/2006	\$17.36	3/16/2006	\$13.15	5/23/2006	\$14.66
8/24/2005	\$14.61	10/31/2005	\$13.31	1/9/2006	\$17.18	3/17/2006	\$13.24	5/24/2006	\$15.14
8/25/2005	\$14.63	11/1/2005	\$15.53	1/10/2006	\$16.86	3/20/2006	\$13.52	5/25/2006	\$15.31
8/26/2005	\$14.42	11/2/2005	\$16.30	1/11/2006	\$16.91	3/21/2006	\$13.19	5/26/2006	\$15.25
8/29/2005	\$14.09	11/3/2005	\$15.51	1/12/2006	\$17.60	3/22/2006	\$13.58	5/30/2006	\$14.91
8/30/2005	\$14.08	11/4/2005	\$15.33	1/13/2006	\$17.46	3/23/2006	\$13.40	5/31/2006	\$15.21
8/31/2005	\$13.63	11/7/2005	\$15.17	1/17/2006	\$17.26	3/24/2006	\$13.44	6/1/2006	\$15.19
9/1/2005	\$13.92	11/8/2005	\$14.79	1/18/2006	\$16.95	3/27/2006	\$13.33	6/2/2006	\$15.43
9/2/2005	\$13.79	11/9/2005	\$14.66	1/19/2006	\$16.87	3/28/2006	\$13.28	6/5/2006	\$15.23
9/6/2005	\$13.43	11/10/2005	\$15.31	1/20/2006	\$16.17	3/29/2006	\$13.41	6/6/2006	\$15.21
9/7/2005	\$13.60	11/11/2005	\$15.29	1/23/2006	\$15.80	3/30/2006	\$13.25	6/7/2006	\$15.72
9/8/2005	\$13.80	11/14/2005	\$15.00	1/24/2006	\$15.83	3/31/2006	\$13.12	6/8/2006	\$15.86
9/9/2005	\$14.13	11/15/2005	\$15.12	1/25/2006	\$15.95	4/3/2006	\$12.75	6/9/2006	\$15.41
9/12/2005	\$14.03	11/16/2005	\$15.18	1/26/2006	\$16.07	4/4/2006	\$12.78	6/12/2006	\$15.26
9/13/2005	\$13.76	11/17/2005	\$15.32	1/27/2006	\$16.73	4/5/2006	\$12.84	6/13/2006	\$15.19
9/14/2005	\$13.64	11/18/2005	\$15.54	1/30/2006	\$16.77	4/6/2006	\$12.52	6/14/2006	\$15.21
9/15/2005	\$13.48	11/21/2005	\$15.22	1/31/2006	\$17.12	4/7/2006	\$12.35	6/15/2006	\$15.73
9/16/2005	\$13.45	11/22/2005	\$15.49	2/1/2006	\$16.92	4/10/2006	\$12.41	6/16/2006	\$16.05
9/19/2005	\$13.11	11/23/2005	\$15.74	2/2/2006	\$16.48	4/11/2006	\$12.25	6/19/2006	\$15.89
9/20/2005	\$12.95	11/25/2005	\$15.76	2/3/2006	\$15.78	4/12/2006	\$12.33	6/20/2006	\$15.92
9/21/2005	\$12.70	11/28/2005	\$15.98	2/6/2006	\$15.80	4/13/2006	\$12.47	6/21/2006	\$16.06
9/22/2005	\$13.00	11/29/2005	\$16.30	2/7/2006	\$16.49	4/17/2006	\$12.38	6/22/2006	\$16.00
9/23/2005	\$13.19	11/30/2005	\$16.75	2/8/2006	\$15.01	4/18/2006	\$12.57	6/23/2006	\$15.93
9/26/2005	\$13.38	12/1/2005	\$17.57	2/9/2006	\$15.13	4/19/2006	\$12.55	6/26/2006	\$16.17
9/27/2005	\$13.22	12/2/2005	\$17.03	2/10/2006	\$15.10	4/20/2006	\$12.41	6/27/2006	\$15.91
9/28/2005	\$13.37	12/5/2005	\$16.95	2/13/2006	\$15.13	4/21/2006	\$12.36	6/28/2006	\$15.97
9/29/2005	\$13.45	12/6/2005	\$17.15	2/14/2006	\$15.10	4/24/2006	\$12.30	6/29/2006	\$16.16
9/30/2005	\$13.58	12/7/2005	\$17.05	2/15/2006	\$15.32	4/25/2006	\$12.36	6/30/2006	\$16.12
10/3/2005	\$13.19	12/8/2005	\$17.22	2/16/2006	\$15.73	4/26/2006	\$12.30	7/3/2006	\$16.26
10/4/2005	\$13.17	12/9/2005	\$17.35	2/17/2006	\$15.86	4/27/2006	\$12.29	7/5/2006	\$16.11
10/5/2005	\$12.99	12/12/2005	\$17.26	2/21/2006	\$15.66	4/28/2006	\$12.52	7/6/2006	\$16.08
10/6/2005	\$12.55	12/13/2005	\$17.63	2/22/2006	\$15.33	5/1/2006	\$12.46	7/7/2006	\$15.81

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Date	Artificial Inflation	Date	Artificial Inflation	Date	Artificial Inflation	Date	Artificial Inflation	Date	Artificial Inflation
7/10/2006	\$16.07	9/19/2006	\$17.67	11/29/2006	\$16.89	2/13/2007	\$19.43	4/26/2007	\$18.59
7/11/2006	\$16.17	9/20/2006	\$17.78	11/30/2006	\$17.13	2/14/2007	\$19.58	4/27/2007	\$17.75
7/12/2006	\$15.84	9/21/2006	\$17.63	12/1/2006	\$17.13	2/15/2007	\$19.92	4/30/2007	\$18.29
7/13/2006	\$15.90	9/22/2006	\$17.27	12/4/2006	\$17.31	2/16/2007	\$20.30	5/1/2007	\$20.70
7/14/2006	\$15.46	9/25/2006	\$17.23	12/5/2006	\$17.53	2/20/2007	\$18.94	5/2/2007	\$21.29
7/17/2006	\$15.52	9/26/2006	\$17.17	12/6/2006	\$17.56	2/21/2007	\$18.73	5/3/2007	\$21.50
7/18/2006	\$15.27	9/27/2006	\$16.95	12/7/2006	\$18.17	2/22/2007	\$18.84	5/4/2007	\$21.70
7/19/2006	\$15.42	9/28/2006	\$17.02	12/8/2006	\$19.03	2/23/2007	\$19.00	5/7/2007	\$21.84
7/20/2006	\$15.01	9/29/2006	\$16.88	12/11/2006	\$18.91	2/26/2007	\$19.29	5/8/2007	\$22.00
7/21/2006	\$14.78	10/2/2006	\$16.50	12/12/2006	\$18.96	2/27/2007	\$18.72	5/9/2007	\$21.71
7/24/2006	\$15.30	10/3/2006	\$16.59	12/13/2006	\$18.92	2/28/2007	\$18.65	5/10/2007	\$21.56
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7/26/2006	\$15.75	10/5/2006	\$16.97	12/15/2006	\$19.13	3/2/2007	\$18.54	5/14/2007	\$21.94
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8/3/2006	\$16.41	10/13/2006	\$17.62	12/26/2006	\$19.33	3/12/2007	\$18.51	5/22/2007	\$23.23
8/4/2006	\$16.12	10/16/2006	\$17.58	12/27/2006	\$19.34	3/13/2007	\$18.35	5/23/2007	\$22.86
8/7/2006	\$15.88	10/17/2006	\$17.59	12/28/2006	\$19.37	3/14/2007	\$18.19	5/24/2007	\$22.58
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8/10/2006	\$15.86	10/20/2006	\$17.71	1/4/2007	\$19.00	3/19/2007	\$18.76	5/30/2007	\$22.74
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8/14/2006	\$15.98	10/24/2006	\$17.65	1/8/2007	\$18.96	3/21/2007	\$19.08	6/1/2007	\$23.07
8/15/2006	\$16.19	10/25/2006	\$18.71	1/9/2007	\$18.72	3/22/2007	\$18.97	6/4/2007	\$23.48
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8/24/2006	\$17.04	11/3/2006	\$17.80	1/19/2007	\$18.31	4/2/2007	\$18.88	6/13/2007	\$22.16
8/25/2006	\$17.05	11/6/2006	\$18.10	1/22/2007	\$17.81	4/3/2007	\$18.84	6/14/2007	\$21.75
8/28/2006	\$17.11	11/7/2006	\$18.51	1/23/2007	\$18.16	4/4/2007	\$18.80	6/15/2007	\$22.05
8/29/2006	\$17.34	11/8/2006	\$18.37	1/24/2007	\$17.85	4/5/2007	\$19.41	6/18/2007	\$21.83
8/30/2006	\$17.31	11/9/2006	\$17.99	1/25/2007	\$17.68	4/9/2007	\$19.83	6/19/2007	\$22.02
8/31/2006	\$17.22	11/10/2006	\$18.45	1/26/2007	\$17.70	4/10/2007	\$19.70	6/20/2007	\$21.66
9/1/2006	\$17.09	11/13/2006	\$18.15	1/29/2007	\$18.05	4/11/2007	\$19.40	6/21/2007	\$21.68
9/5/2006	\$17.21	11/14/2006	\$18.53	1/30/2007	\$18.18	4/12/2007	\$19.31	6/22/2007	\$21.58
9/6/2006	\$16.47	11/15/2006	\$18.65	1/31/2007	\$18.85	4/13/2007	\$18.98	6/25/2007	\$21.79
9/7/2006	\$17.00	11/16/2006	\$18.50	2/1/2007	\$19.25	4/16/2007	\$19.05	6/26/2007	\$22.08
9/8/2006	\$17.00	11/17/2006	\$18.16	2/2/2007	\$19.35	4/17/2007	\$18.87	6/27/2007	\$22.32
9/11/2006	\$16.90	11/20/2006	\$17.65	2/5/2007	\$19.06	4/18/2007	\$18.68	6/28/2007	\$22.60
9/12/2006	\$17.23	11/21/2006	\$17.78	2/6/2007	\$19.08	4/19/2007	\$18.71	6/29/2007	\$22.20
9/13/2006	\$17.74	11/22/2006	\$17.55	2/7/2007	\$19.31	4/20/2007	\$18.83	7/2/2007	\$22.53
9/14/2006	\$17.74	11/24/2006	\$17.63	2/8/2007	\$19.36	4/23/2007	\$18.55	7/3/2007	\$22.84
9/15/2006	\$17.57	11/27/2006	\$17.12	2/9/2007	\$19.22	4/24/2007	\$18.51	7/5/2007	\$23.22
9/18/2006	\$17.73	11/28/2006	\$16.88	2/12/2007	\$19.03	4/25/2007	\$18.73	7/6/2007	\$23.16
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Date	Artificial Inflation	Date	Artificial Inflation	Date	Artificial Inflation	Date	Artificial Inflation	Date	Artificial Inflation
7/9/2007	\$23.24	9/18/2007	\$24.22	11/28/2007	\$29.17	2/11/2008	\$29.85	4/23/2008	\$31.08
7/10/2007	\$22.09	9/19/2007	\$24.59	11/29/2007	\$29.09	2/12/2008	\$30.02	4/24/2008	\$31.40
7/11/2007	\$22.47	9/20/2007	\$24.55	11/30/2007	\$29.34	2/13/2008	\$31.09	4/25/2008	\$32.08
7/12/2007	\$22.54	9/21/2007	\$24.50	12/3/2007	\$30.40	2/14/2008	\$29.66	4/28/2008	\$32.77
7/13/2007	\$22.74	9/24/2007	\$24.57	12/4/2007	\$29.85	2/15/2008	\$29.83	4/29/2008	\$32.39
7/16/2007	\$22.78	9/25/2007	\$24.53	12/5/2007	\$30.40	2/19/2008	\$31.30	4/30/2008	\$37.02
7/17/2007	\$23.01	9/26/2007	\$24.40	12/6/2007	\$31.64	2/20/2008	\$32.66	5/1/2008	\$37.41
7/18/2007	\$23.62	9/27/2007	\$24.46	12/7/2007	\$29.81	2/21/2008	\$32.67	5/2/2008	\$36.90
7/19/2007	\$23.86	9/28/2007	\$24.11	12/10/2007	\$30.16	2/22/2008	\$31.59	5/5/2008	\$36.92
7/20/2007	\$23.44	10/1/2007	\$24.54	12/11/2007	\$30.31	2/25/2008	\$32.82	5/6/2008	\$36.85
7/23/2007	\$23.23	10/2/2007	\$24.40	12/12/2007	\$30.37	2/26/2008	\$32.58	5/7/2008	\$36.72
7/24/2007	\$22.38	10/3/2007	\$24.46	12/13/2007	\$30.92	2/27/2008	\$32.03	5/8/2008	\$37.12
7/25/2007	\$22.72	10/4/2007	\$24.51	12/14/2007	\$30.55	2/28/2008	\$31.53	5/9/2008	\$37.79
7/26/2007	\$22.13	10/5/2007	\$24.59	12/17/2007	\$29.00	2/29/2008	\$29.43	5/12/2008	\$37.65
7/27/2007	\$21.76	10/8/2007	\$24.70	12/18/2007	\$31.18	3/3/2008	\$29.61	5/13/2008	\$37.16
7/30/2007	\$22.40	10/9/2007	\$25.19	12/19/2007	\$31.86	3/4/2008	\$28.90	5/14/2008	\$36.75
7/31/2007	\$23.76	10/10/2007	\$24.79	12/20/2007	\$33.31	3/5/2008	\$29.25	5/15/2008	\$36.84
8/1/2007	\$23.81	10/11/2007	\$24.16	12/21/2007	\$33.40	3/6/2008	\$27.88	5/16/2008	\$37.44
8/2/2007	\$23.95	10/12/2007	\$24.18	12/24/2007	\$33.40	3/7/2008	\$26.78	5/19/2008	\$37.32
8/3/2007	\$23.98	10/15/2007	\$23.79	12/26/2007	\$33.84	3/10/2008	\$27.05	5/20/2008	\$37.46
8/6/2007	\$24.32	10/16/2007	\$23.62	12/27/2007	\$33.53	3/11/2008	\$26.77	5/21/2008	\$37.17
8/7/2007	\$24.69	10/17/2007	\$23.35	12/28/2007	\$33.62	3/12/2008	\$26.15	5/22/2008	\$37.56
8/8/2007	\$24.20	10/18/2007	\$23.18	12/31/2007	\$33.38	3/13/2008	\$26.55	5/23/2008	\$36.57
8/9/2007	\$24.79	10/19/2007	\$23.07	1/2/2008	\$33.26	3/14/2008	\$25.70	5/27/2008	\$36.92
8/10/2007	\$24.47	10/22/2007	\$23.72	1/3/2008	\$33.64	3/17/2008	\$25.42	5/28/2008	\$36.37
8/13/2007	\$24.40	10/23/2007	\$23.46	1/4/2008	\$32.01	3/18/2008	\$25.62	5/29/2008	\$36.77
8/14/2007	\$24.35	10/24/2007	\$23.28	1/7/2008	\$33.12	3/19/2008	\$25.77	5/30/2008	\$36.32
8/15/2007	\$24.38	10/25/2007	\$23.22	1/8/2008	\$31.46	3/20/2008	\$26.86	6/2/2008	\$35.95
8/16/2007	\$24.64	10/26/2007	\$23.19	1/9/2008	\$32.50	3/24/2008	\$27.26	6/3/2008	\$36.37
8/17/2007	\$24.98	10/29/2007	\$23.00	1/10/2008	\$32.27	3/25/2008	\$27.40	6/4/2008	\$35.81
8/20/2007	\$25.13	10/30/2007	\$29.85	1/11/2008	\$32.02	3/26/2008	\$27.26	6/5/2008	\$37.19
8/21/2007	\$24.70	10/31/2007	\$29.20	1/14/2008	\$32.80	3/27/2008	\$26.60	6/6/2008	
8/22/2007	\$24.84	11/1/2007	\$29.20	1/15/2008	\$32.80	3/28/2008	\$25.53	6/9/2008	\$35.14
8/23/2007	\$23.54	11/2/2007	\$29.41	1/16/2008	\$33.35	3/31/2008	\$27.06	6/10/2008	\$35.51
8/24/2007	\$23.98	11/5/2007	\$28.79	1/17/2008	\$33.19	4/1/2008	\$28.46	6/11/2008	\$35.79
8/27/2007	\$23.89	11/6/2007	\$29.26	1/18/2008	\$32.23	4/2/2008	\$28.42	6/12/2008	\$36.32
8/28/2007	\$23.38	11/7/2007	\$28.57	1/22/2008	\$31.35	4/3/2008	\$28.55	6/13/2008	\$36.61
8/29/2007	\$23.78	11/8/2007	\$28.81	1/23/2008	\$31.53	4/4/2008	\$28.68	6/16/2008	\$37.24
8/30/2007	\$23.83	11/9/2007	\$28.48	1/24/2008	\$30.23	4/7/2008	\$27.05	6/17/2008	\$37.54
8/31/2007	\$23.71	11/12/2007	\$29.14	1/25/2008	\$31.00	4/8/2008	\$27.63	6/18/2008	\$37.34
9/4/2007	\$23.63	11/13/2007	\$30.18	1/28/2008	\$30.78	4/9/2008	\$27.74	6/19/2008	\$37.73
9/5/2007	\$23.86	11/14/2007	\$30.47	1/29/2008	\$30.98	4/10/2008	\$28.02	6/20/2008	\$36.78
9/6/2007	\$23.86	11/15/2007	\$29.81	1/30/2008	\$30.09	4/11/2008	\$27.47	6/23/2008	\$36.64
9/7/2007	\$23.93	11/16/2007	\$29.87	1/31/2008	\$29.32	4/14/2008	\$26.50	6/24/2008	\$35.45
9/10/2007	\$23.74	11/19/2007	\$29.46	2/1/2008	\$29.61	4/15/2008	\$27.10	6/25/2008	\$35.89
9/11/2007	\$23.93	11/20/2007	\$29.32	2/4/2008	\$30.34	4/16/2008	\$29.17	6/26/2008	\$35.81
9/12/2007	\$24.02	11/21/2007	\$28.81	2/5/2008	\$29.81	4/17/2008	\$28.93	6/27/2008	\$35.90
9/13/2007	\$23.76	11/23/2007	\$29.40	2/6/2008	\$29.07	4/18/2008	\$29.62	6/30/2008	\$36.04
9/14/2007	\$23.48	11/26/2007	\$28.86	2/7/2008	\$30.34	4/21/2008	\$30.13	7/1/2008	\$35.99
9/17/2007	\$23.91	11/27/2007	\$28.89	2/8/2008	\$30.69	4/22/2008	\$29.39	7/2/2008	\$35.76

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Date	Artificial Inflation	Date	Artificial Inflation	Date	Artificial Inflation	Date	Artificial Inflation	Date	Artificial Inflation
7/3/2008	\$35.04	10/10/2008	\$31.24	12/29/2008	\$29.30	3/12/2009	\$19.46	5/22/2009	\$21.56
7/7/2008	\$34.95	10/13/2008	\$35.91	12/30/2008	\$30.40	3/13/2009	\$21.80	5/26/2009	\$21.81
7/8/2008	\$35.91	10/14/2008	\$36.14	12/31/2008	\$29.77	3/16/2009	\$20.98	5/27/2009	\$21.83
7/9/2008	\$36.56	10/15/2008	\$33.44	1/2/2009	\$29.32	3/17/2009	\$21.96	5/28/2009	\$21.98
7/10/2008	\$37.99	10/16/2008	\$36.61	1/5/2009	\$29.04	3/18/2009	\$21.87	5/29/2009	\$21.91
7/11/2008	\$38.24	10/17/2008	\$36.50	1/6/2009	\$33.83	3/19/2009	\$19.88	6/1/2009	\$23.16
7/14/2008	\$39.78	10/20/2008	·	1/7/2009	\$35.22	3/20/2009	\$19.34	6/2/2009	\$23.48
7/15/2008	\$40.15	-10/22/2008	\$36.61	1/8/2009	\$33.85	3/23/2009	\$19.61	6/3/2009	\$23.20
7/16/2008	\$39.84	10/23/2008	\$34.94	1/9/2009	\$33.55	3/24/2009	\$19.75	6/4/2009	\$23.02
7/17/2008		10/24/2008	\$33.05	1/12/2009	\$33.33	3/25/2009	\$20.40	6/5/2009	\$23.22
-7/28/2008	\$43.73	10/27/2008	\$31.77	1/13/2009	\$34.62	3/26/2009	\$21.13	6/8/2009	\$23.05
7/29/2008		10/28/2008	\$33.14	1/14/2009	\$33.85	3/27/2009	\$20.39	6/9/2009	\$22.05
- 7/31/2008	\$47.68	10/29/2008	\$37.40	1/15/2009	\$31.90	3/30/2009	\$19.94	6/10/2009	\$21.97
8/1/2008	\$47.06	10/30/2008		1/16/2009	\$31.92	3/31/2009	\$19.80	6/11/2009	\$22.84
8/4/2008	\$46.73	- 11/5/2008	\$40.43	1/20/2009	\$31.33	4/1/2009	\$19.73	6/12/2009	\$22.39
8/5/2008	\$47.01	11/6/2008	\$38.61	1/21/2009	\$31.62	4/2/2009	\$21.14	6/15/2009	\$21.00
8/6/2008	\$47.27	11/7/2008	\$36.05	1/22/2009	\$31.93	4/3/2009	\$21.58	6/16/2009	\$21.02
8/7/2008		11/10/2008	\$36.07	1/23/2009	\$31.02	4/6/2009	\$21.76	6/17/2009	\$21.77
- 8/11/2008	\$47.68	11/11/2008	\$36.56	1/26/2009	\$31.73	4/7/2009	\$21.42	6/18/2009	\$22.19
8/12/2008	\$36.61	11/12/2008	\$35.77	1/27/2009	\$31.71	4/8/2009	\$21.82	6/19/2009	\$22.84
8/13/2008	\$36.50	11/13/2008	\$38.41	1/28/2009	\$31.75	4/9/2009	\$23.69	6/22/2009	\$22.29
8/14/2008		11/14/2008	\$36.42	1/29/2009	\$29.96	4/13/2009	\$23.81	6/23/2009	\$22.04
- 9/2/2008	\$36.61	11/17/2008	\$35.95	1/30/2009	\$29.69	4/14/2009	\$22.25	6/24/2009	\$22.13
9/3/2008	\$36.13	11/18/2008	\$34.64	2/2/2009	\$30.23	4/15/2009	\$21.06	6/25/2009	\$23.37
9/4/2008	\$34.78	11/19/2008	\$31.69	2/3/2009	\$31.48	4/16/2009	\$21.69	6/26/2009	\$23.91
9/5/2008	\$33.76	11/20/2008	\$26.56	2/4/2009	\$31.26	4/17/2009	\$21.81	6/29/2009	\$24.08
9/8/2008	\$35.40	11/21/2008	\$27.40	2/5/2009	\$32.17	4/20/2009	\$20.68	6/30/2009	\$23.78
9/9/2008	\$33.26	11/24/2008	\$27.93	2/6/2009	\$32.78	4/21/2009	\$21.42	7/1/2009	\$24.62
9/10/2008	\$33.50	11/25/2008	\$27.74	2/9/2009	\$33.71	4/22/2009	\$21.59	7/2/2009	\$22.98
9/11/2008	\$33.83	11/26/2008	\$28.15	2/10/2009	\$33.46	4/23/2009	\$20.80	7/6/2009	\$23.40
9/12/2008	\$33.59	11/28/2008	\$28.01	2/11/2009	\$34.32	4/24/2009	\$20.75	7/7/2009	\$23.74
9/15/2008	\$33.39	12/1/2008	\$25.02	2/12/2009	\$35.92	4/27/2009	\$23.71	7/8/2009	\$23.30
9/16/2008	\$34.12	12/2/2008	\$27.09	2/13/2009	\$37.02	4/28/2009	\$23.29	7/9/2009	\$23.22
9/17/2008	\$32.29	12/3/2008	\$27.60	2/17/2009	\$35.72	4/29/2009	\$23.79	7/10/2009	\$23.30
9/18/2008	\$34.27	12/4/2008	\$27.60	2/18/2009	\$34.70	4/30/2009	\$24.15	7/13/2009	\$23.75
9/19/2008	\$35.56	12/5/2008	\$29.01	2/19/2009	\$34.81	5/1/2009	\$24.60	7/14/2009	\$23.66
9/22/2008	\$34.96	12/8/2008	\$30.04	2/20/2009	\$34.23	5/4/2009	\$25.51	7/15/2009	\$24.66
9/23/2008	\$34.74	12/9/2008	\$28.73	2/23/2009	\$32.00	5/5/2009	\$25.87	7/16/2009	\$25.32
9/24/2008	\$34.29	12/10/2008	\$28.89	2/24/2009	\$32.52	5/6/2009	\$26.35	7/17/2009	\$26.20
9/25/2008	\$35.42	12/11/2008	\$27.28	2/25/2009	\$30.41	5/7/2009	\$27.22	7/20/2009	\$26.62
9/26/2008	\$35.37	12/12/2008	\$27.53	2/26/2009	\$26.27	5/8/2009	\$27.39	7/21/2009	\$27.24
9/29/2008	\$33.40	12/15/2008	\$27.11	2/27/2009	\$23.56	5/11/2009	\$26.61	7/22/2009	\$26.74
9/30/2008	\$33.95	12/16/2008	\$28.21	3/2/2009	\$20.87	5/12/2009	\$26.24	7/23/2009	\$27.35
10/1/2008	\$32.97	12/17/2008	\$28.31	3/3/2009	\$20.70	5/13/2009	\$25.21	7/24/2009	\$27.88
10/2/2008	\$33.70	12/18/2008	\$29.45	3/4/2009	\$20.72	5/14/2009	\$25.60	7/27/2009	\$27.19
10/3/2008	\$33.02	12/19/2008	\$29.51	3/5/2009	\$19.67	5/15/2009	\$23.95	7/28/2009	\$28.26
10/6/2008	\$33.97	12/22/2008	\$29.81	3/6/2009	\$19.02	5/18/2009	\$22.97	7/29/2009	\$29.45
10/7/2008	\$33.60	12/23/2008	\$29.56	3/9/2009	\$18.66	5/19/2009	\$23.13	7/30/2009	\$29.57
10/8/2008	\$34.43	12/24/2008	\$29.58	3/10/2009	\$19.72	5/20/2009	\$22.88	7/31/2009	\$32.40
10/9/2008	\$30.35	12/26/2008	\$29.76	3/11/2009	\$18.70	5/21/2009	\$22.12	8/3/2009	\$32.46

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8/4/2009	\$32.30	1	10/14/2009	\$29.01
8/5/2009	\$31.39		10/15/2009	\$25.92
8/6/2009	\$31.27		10/16/2009	\$25.83
8/7/2009	\$31.80		10/19/2009	\$25.67
8/10/2009	\$32.37		10/20/2009	\$26.49
8/11/2009	\$32.41	1	10/21/2009	\$26.52
8/12/2009	\$32.11	1	10/22/2009	\$26.92
8/13/2009	\$31.86	1	10/23/2009	\$26.32
8/14/2009	\$31.32		10/26/2009	\$26.78
8/17/2009	\$31.32		10/20/2009	\$25.08
8/18/2009	\$31.13		10/28/2009	\$25.26
8/19/2009	\$31.13	1	10/29/2009	\$25.89
8/20/2009	\$31.94	1	10/29/2009	\$23.89
8/20/2009	\$32.19	1	11/2/2009	\$24.72
		1	11/2/2009	
8/24/2009 8/25/2009	\$32.53	1		\$25.62
8/25/2009	\$32.78 \$32.14	{	11/4/2009	\$25.33 \$25.55
		1		
8/27/2009 8/28/2009	\$32.64 \$32.67	{	11/6/2009	\$24.82 \$25.16
	\$32.67	1		
8/31/2009	\$32.27		11/10/2009	\$24.80
9/1/2009	\$31.57		11/11/2009	\$24.50
9/2/2009	\$31.49		11/12/2009	\$23.90
9/3/2009	\$22.02		11/13/2009	\$24.32
9/4/2009 9/8/2009	\$22.64 \$23.18	1	11/16/2009	\$24.14 \$23.80
9/9/2009	\$23.75	1	11/17/2009	\$23.60
9/10/2009	\$25.13		11/19/2009	\$23.28
9/11/2009	\$25.59		11/20/2009	\$23.41
9/14/2009	\$25.52		11/23/2009	\$24.21
9/15/2009	\$25.15		11/24/2009	\$24.38
9/16/2009	\$28.34		11/25/2009	\$24.41
9/17/2009	\$27.34		11/27/2009	\$23.72
9/18/2009	\$27.65		11/30/2009	\$23.01
9/21/2009	\$28.08		12/1/2009	\$23.38
9/22/2009	\$29.28		12/2/2009	\$23.52
9/23/2009	\$29.62		12/3/2009	\$23.49
9/24/2009	\$28.51		12/4/2009	\$23.79
9/25/2009	\$27.72		12/7/2009	\$24.19
9/28/2009	\$28.71		12/8/2009	\$23.61
9/29/2009	\$28.16		12/9/2009	\$25.60
9/30/2009	\$28.23		12/10/2009	\$25.14
10/1/2009	\$27.66		12/11/2009	\$25.23
10/2/2009	\$26.99		12/14/2009	\$27.60
10/5/2009	\$27.59		12/15/2009	\$28.43
10/6/2009	\$27.74		12/16/2009	\$28.36
10/7/2009	\$27.32		12/17/2009	\$28.08
10/8/2009	\$27.88		12/18/2009	\$28.11
10/9/2009	\$28.49		12/21/2009	\$28.23
10/12/2009	\$29.10		12/22/2009	
10/13/2009	\$28.77] [- 4/26/2010	\$28.43

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4/27/2010	
- 5/12/2010	\$25.36
5/13/2010	
- 6/30/2010	\$21.39
7/1/2010	
- 7/12/2010	\$17.84
7/13/2010	
-7/22/2010	\$8.73
7/23/2010	\$8.65
7/26/2010	\$8.66
7/27/2010	
- 8/6/2010	\$8.73
8/9/2010	
- 8/18/2010	\$8.80
8/19/2010	\$8.63
8/20/2010	\$8.73
8/23/2010	\$8.69
8/24/2010	\$8.71
8/25/2010	
- 8/30/2010	\$8.80
8/31/2010	\$8.57
9/1/2010	
- 9/27/2010	\$8.80
9/28/2010	
- 8/1/2011	\$4.12
8/2/2011	
- 9/20/2011	\$2.92
9/21/2011	\$2.79
9/22/2011	\$2.76
9/23/2011	\$2.86
9/26/2011	\$2.92
9/27/2011	\$2.92
9/28/2011	\$2.83
9/29/2011	\$2.92
9/30/2011	\$2.92
10/3/2011	\$2.39
10/4/2011	\$0.00

TABLE B
Estimated Artificial Inflation in Amedisys Common Stock
from August 2, 2005 through October 4, 2011

		Average
		Closing Price
	CI :	Between
Data	Closing	October 4, 2011
Date	Price	and Date Shown
10/4/2011	\$11.53	\$11.53
10/5/2011	\$12.21	\$11.87
10/6/2011	\$12.65	\$12.13
10/7/2011	\$11.83	\$12.06
10/10/2011	\$12.35	\$12.11
10/11/2011	\$13.19	\$12.29
10/12/2011	\$13.62	\$12.48
10/13/2011	\$13.66	\$12.63
10/14/2011	\$14.18	\$12.80
10/17/2011	\$13.44	\$12.87
10/18/2011	\$13.69	\$12.94
10/19/2011	\$13.04	\$12.95
10/20/2011	\$12.69	\$12.93
10/21/2011	\$13.04	\$12.94
10/24/2011	\$13.70	\$12.99
10/25/2011	\$13.58	\$13.03
10/26/2011	\$14.56	\$13.12
10/27/2011	\$13.71	\$13.15
10/28/2011	\$13.95	\$13.19
10/31/2011	\$13.13	\$13.19
11/1/2011	\$10.06	\$13.04
11/2/2011	\$10.00	\$12.90
11/3/2011	\$9.59	\$12.76
11/4/2011	\$9.69	\$12.63
11/7/2011	\$10.59	\$12.55
11/8/2011	\$11.37	\$12.50
11/9/2011	\$11.03	\$12.45
11/10/2011	\$11.64	\$12.42
11/11/2011	\$12.53	\$12.42
11/14/2011	\$11.57	\$12.39
11/15/2011	\$11.80	\$12.37

		Average
		Closing Price
	Cloging	Between October 4, 2011
Date	Closing Price	and Date Shown
11/16/2011	\$11.44	\$12.35
11/17/2011	\$11.59	\$12.32
11/18/2011	\$11.88	\$12.31
11/21/2011	\$11.08	\$12.27
11/22/2011	\$10.37	\$12.22
11/23/2011	\$10.16	\$12.17
11/25/2011	\$9.78	\$12.10
11/28/2011	\$10.74	\$12.07
11/29/2011	\$10.47	\$12.03
11/30/2011	\$11.87	\$12.02
12/1/2011	\$11.82	\$12.02
12/2/2011	\$12.28	\$12.03
12/5/2011	\$11.93	\$12.02
12/6/2011	\$11.60	\$12.01
12/7/2011	\$11.45	\$12.00
12/8/2011	\$10.48	\$11.97
12/9/2011	\$10.67	\$11.94
12/12/2011	\$10.32	\$11.91
12/13/2011	\$10.06	\$11.87
12/14/2011	\$10.38	\$11.84
12/15/2011	\$10.49	\$11.82
12/16/2011	\$10.39	\$11.79
12/19/2011	\$10.02	\$11.76
12/20/2011	\$10.33	\$11.73
12/21/2011	\$10.54	\$11.71
12/22/2011	\$11.56	\$11.71
12/23/2011	\$10.91	\$11.69
12/27/2011	\$11.10	\$11.68
12/28/2011	\$10.55	\$11.66
12/29/2011	\$10.66	\$11.65
12/30/2011	\$10.91	\$11.64

Exhibit A-2

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Amedisys Securities Litigation c/o A.B. Data, Ltd. P.O. Box 173042 Milwaukee, WI 53217

Toll-Free Number: (888) 207-7560

Email: info@AmedisysSecuritiesLitigation.com Settlement Website: www.AmedisysSecuritiesLitigation.com

PROOF OF CLAIM AND RELEASE FORM

To be eligible to receive a share of the Net Settlement Fund in connection with the Settlement of you must complete and sign this Proof of Claim and Release Form ("Claim Form") and mail it mail to the above address, postmarked no later than, 2017 .	
Failure to submit your Claim Form by the date specified will subject your claim to rejection and reyou from being eligible to receive any money in connection with the Settlement.	nay preclude
Do not mail or deliver your Claim Form to the Court, the parties to the Action, or their coun your Claim Form only to the Claims Administrator at the address set forth above.	sel. Submit
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PART I – CLAIMANT INFORMATION

The Claims Administrator will use this information for all communications regarding this Claim Form. If this information changes, you MUST notify the Claims Administrator in writing at the address above.

Claimant Names(s) (as the name(s) should appear on check, if eligible jointly owned, the names of all beneficial owners must be provided):	for payment; if the shares are or were
Name of Person the Claims Administrator Should Contact Regarding this	s Claim Form (Must Be Provided):
Mailing Address – Line 1: Street Address/P.O. Box:	
Mailing Address – Line 2 (If Applicable): Apartment/Suite/Floor Number	er:
City:	
State/Province: Zip Code:	Country:
Last 4 digits of Claimant Social Security/Taxpayer Identification Numbe	r·1
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Daytime Telephone Number:	Evening Telephone Number:
Email address (E-mail address is not required, but if you provide it you authorize the Clinformation relevant to this claim.):	laims Administrator to use it in providing you with

¹ The last four digits of the taxpayer identification number (TIN), consisting of a valid Social Security Number (SSN) for individuals or Employer Identification Number (EIN) for business entities, trusts, estates, etc., and the telephone number of the beneficial owner(s) may be used in verifying this claim.

PART II – GENERAL INSTRUCTIONS

- 1. It is important that you completely read and understand the Notice of (I) Pendency of Class Action and Certification of Settlement Class; (II) Proposed Settlement; (III) Settlement Fairness Hearing; and (IV) Motion for an Award of Attorneys' Fees and Reimbursement of Litigation Expenses (the "Notice") that accompanies this Claim Form, including the Plan of Allocation of the Net Settlement Fund set forth in the Notice. The Notice describes the proposed Settlement, how Settlement Class Members are affected by the Settlement, and the manner in which the Net Settlement Fund will be distributed if the Settlement and Plan of Allocation are approved by the Court. The Notice also contains the definitions of many of the defined terms (which are indicated by initial capital letters) used in this Claim Form. By signing and submitting this Claim Form, you will be certifying that you have read and that you understand the Notice, including the terms of the releases described therein and provided for herein.
- 2. By submitting this Claim Form, you will be making a request to share in the proceeds of the Settlement described in the Notice. IF YOU ARE NOT A SETTLEMENT CLASS MEMBER (see the definition of the Settlement Class on page __ of the Notice, which sets forth who is included in and who is excluded from the Settlement Class), OR IF YOU, OR SOMEONE ACTING ON YOUR BEHALF, SUBMITTED A REQUEST FOR EXCLUSION FROM THE SETTLEMENT CLASS, DO NOT SUBMIT A CLAIM FORM. YOU MAY NOT, DIRECTLY OR INDIRECTLY, PARTICIPATE IN THE SETTLEMENT IF YOU ARE NOT A SETTLEMENT CLASS MEMBER. THUS, IF YOU ARE EXCLUDED FROM THE SETTLEMENT CLASS, ANY CLAIM FORM THAT YOU SUBMIT, OR THAT MAY BE SUBMITTED ON YOUR BEHALF, WILL NOT BE ACCEPTED.
- 3. Submission of this Claim Form does not guarantee that you will share in the proceeds of the Settlement. The distribution of the Net Settlement Fund will be governed by the Plan of Allocation set forth in the Notice, if it is approved by the Court, or by such other plan of allocation as the Court approves.
- 4. Use the Schedule of Transactions in Part III of this Claim Form to supply all required details of your transaction(s) (including free transfers and deliveries) in and holdings of Amedisys common stock. On this schedule, please provide all of the requested information with respect to your holdings, purchases, acquisitions, and sales of Amedisys common stock, whether such transactions resulted in a profit or a loss. Failure to report all transaction and holding information during the requested time period may result in the rejection of your claim.
- 5. <u>Please note</u>: Only Amedisys common stock purchased during the Settlement Class Period (*i.e.*, from August 2, 2005 through September 30, 2011, inclusive) is eligible under the Settlement. However, sales of Amedisys common stock during the period from October 3, 2011 through December 30, 2011, inclusive, will be used for purposes of calculating your claim under the Plan of Allocation. Therefore, in order for the Claims Administrator to be able to balance your claim, the requested purchase/acquisition information during this period must also be provided.
- 6. You are required to submit genuine and sufficient documentation for all of your transactions in and holdings of Amedisys common stock set forth in the Schedule of Transactions in Part III of this Claim Form. Documentation may consist of copies of brokerage confirmation slips or monthly brokerage account statements, or an authorized statement from your broker containing the transactional and holding information found in a broker confirmation slip or account statement. The Parties, including Amedisys, and the Claims

Administrator do not independently have information about your investments in Amedisys common stock. IF SUCH DOCUMENTS ARE NOT IN YOUR POSSESSION, PLEASE OBTAIN COPIES OF THE DOCUMENTS OR EQUIVALENT DOCUMENTS FROM YOUR BROKER. FAILURE TO SUPPLY THIS DOCUMENTATION MAY RESULT IN THE REJECTION OF YOUR CLAIM. DO NOT SEND ORIGINAL DOCUMENTS. Please keep a copy of all documents that you send to the Claims Administrator. Also, please do not highlight any portion of the Claim Form or any supporting documents.

- 7. Separate Claim Forms should be submitted for each separate legal entity (*e.g.*, a claim from joint owners should not include separate transactions of just one of the joint owners, and an individual should not combine his or her IRA transactions with transactions made solely in the individual's name). Conversely, a single Claim Form should be submitted on behalf of one legal entity including all transactions made by that entity on one Claim Form, no matter how many separate accounts that entity has (*e.g.*, a corporation with multiple brokerage accounts should include all transactions made in all accounts on one Claim Form).
- 8. All joint beneficial owners must each sign this Claim Form and their names must appear as "Claimants" in Part I of this Claim Form. If you purchased or otherwise acquired Amedisys common stock during the Settlement Class Period and held the shares in your name, you are the beneficial owner as well as the record owner and you must sign this Claim Form to participate in the Settlement. If, however, you purchased or otherwise acquired Amedisys common stock during the relevant time period and the securities were registered in the name of a third party, such as a nominee or brokerage firm, you are the beneficial owner of these shares, but the third party is the record owner. The beneficial owner, not the record owner, must sign this Claim Form to be eligible to participate in the Settlement.
- 9. Agents, executors, administrators, guardians, and trustees must complete and sign the Claim Form on behalf of persons represented by them, and they must:
 - (a) expressly state the capacity in which they are acting:
 - (b) identify the name, account number, Social Security Number (or taxpayer identification number), address and telephone number of the beneficial owner of (or other person or entity on whose behalf they are acting with respect to) the Amedisys common stock; and
 - (c) furnish herewith evidence of their authority to bind to the Claim Form the person or entity on whose behalf they are acting. (Authority to complete and sign a Claim Form cannot be established by stockbrokers demonstrating only that they have discretionary authority to trade securities in another person's accounts.)
 - 10. By submitting a signed Claim Form, you will be swearing that you:
 - (a) own (or owned) the Amedisys common stock you have listed in the Claim Form; or
 - (b) are expressly authorized to act on behalf of the owner thereof.
- 11. By submitting a signed Claim Form, you will be swearing to the truth of the statements contained therein and the genuineness of the documents attached thereto, subject to penalties of perjury under the laws of the United States of America. The making of false statements, or the submission of forged or fraudulent documentation, will result in the rejection of your claim and may subject you to civil liability or criminal prosecution.

- 12. If the Court approves the Settlement, payments to eligible Authorized Claimants pursuant to the Plan of Allocation (or such other plan of allocation as the Court approves) will be made after any appeals are resolved, and after the completion of all claims processing. The claims process will take substantial time to complete fully and fairly. Please be patient.
- 13. **PLEASE NOTE:** As set forth in the Plan of Allocation, each Authorized Claimant shall receive his, her or its *pro rata* share of the Net Settlement Fund. If the prorated payment to any Authorized Claimant calculates to less than \$10.00, it will not be included in the calculation and no distribution will be made to that Authorized Claimant.
- 14. If you have questions concerning the Claim Form, or need additional copies of the Claim Form or the Notice, you may contact the Claims Administrator, A.B. Data, Ltd., at the above address, by email at info@AmedisysSecuritiesLitigation.com, or by toll-free phone at 888-207-7560, or you can visit the Settlement website, www.AmedisysSecuritiesLitigation.com, where copies of the Claim Form and Notice are available for downloading.
- NOTICE REGARDING ELECTRONIC FILES: Certain claimants with large numbers of 15. transactions may request, or may be requested, to submit information regarding their transactions in electronic files. To obtain the mandatory electronic filing requirements and file layout, you may visit the settlement website at www.AmedisysSecuritiesLitigation.com or you may email the Claims Administrator's electronic filing department at info@AmedisysSecuritiesLitigation.com. Any file not in accordance with the required electronic filing format will be subject to rejection. No electronic files will be considered to have been properly submitted unless the Claims Administrator issues an email to that effect after processing your file with your claim numbers and respective account information. Do not assume that your file has been received or processed until you receive this email. If you do not receive such an email within 10 days of your submission, should contact electronic filing department vou the info@AmedisysSecuritiesLitigation.com to inquire about your file and confirm it was received and acceptable.

IMPORTANT: PLEASE NOTE

YOUR CLAIM IS NOT DEEMED FILED UNTIL YOU RECEIVE AN ACKNOWLEDGEMENT POSTCARD. THE CLAIMS ADMINISTRATOR WILL ACKNOWLEDGE RECEIPT OF YOUR CLAIM FORM BY MAIL, WITHIN 60 DAYS. IF YOU DO NOT RECEIVE AN ACKNOWLEDGEMENT POSTCARD WITHIN 60 DAYS, PLEASE CALL THE CLAIMS ADMINISTRATOR TOLL FREE AT (888) 207-7560.

PART III - SCHEDULE OF TRANSACTIONS IN AMEDISYS COMMON STOCK

Please be sure to include proper documentation with your Claim Form as described in detail in Part II – General Instructions, Paragraph 6, above. Do not include information regarding securities other than Amedisys common stock.

Confirm Proof of

1. HOLDINGS AS OF AUGUST 2, 2005 – State the total number of shares of Amedisys common

stock held as of the oper "zero" or "0."	ning of trading on Augu 	st 2, 2005. (Must be doo	cumented.) If none, write	Position Enclosed
and every purchase or a	equisition (including fre	AUGUST 2, 2005 THRO ee receipts) of Amedisys September 30, 2011. (M	OUGH SEPTEMBER 30, 201 common stock from after the offust be documented.)	1 – Separately list each pening of trading on
Date of Purchase/ Acquisition (List Chronologically) (Month/Day/Year)	Number of Shares Purchased/Acquired	Purchase/Acquisition Price Per Share	Total Purchase/ Acquisition Price (excluding taxes, commissions, and fees)	Confirm Proof of Purchase Enclosed
/ /		\$	\$	0
/ /		\$	\$	0
/ /		\$	\$	0
/ /		\$	\$	0
3. PURCHASES/ACC	OUISITIONS FROM C	OCTOBER 3, 2011 THI	ROUGH DECEMBER 30 201	11 – State the total
	edisys common stock p	ourchased or acquired (in	icluding free receipts) from afte If none, write "zero" or "0." ²	
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² **Please note**: Information requested with respect to your purchases and acquisitions of Amedisys common stock from October 3, 2011 through and including December 30, 2011 is needed in order to balance your claim; purchases during this period, however, are not eligible under the Settlement and will not be used for purposes of calculating your Recognized Claim pursuant to the Plan of Allocation.

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/ /		\$	\$	0
5. HOLDINGS AS OF DECEMBER 30, 2011 – State the total number of shares of Amedisys			Confirm Proof of	
common stock held as of the close of trading on December 30, 2011. (Must be documented.) If none,		Position Enclosed		
write "zero" or "0."		0		
IF YOU REQUIR	E ADDITIONAL	SPACE FOR THE	SCHEDULE ABOVE,	ATTACH EXTRA
SCHEDULES IN T	HE SAME FORM	AT. PRINT THE B	BENEFICIAL OWNER'S	FULL NAME AND
LAST FOUR DIGI	TS OF SOCIAL SI	ECURITY/TAXPAYI	ER IDENTIFICATION N	UMBER ON EACH
ADDITIONAL PAG	E. IF YOU DO AT	TACH EXTRA SCHI	EDULES, CHECK THIS B	OX

PART IV - RELEASE OF CLAIMS AND SIGNATURE

YOU MUST ALSO READ THE RELEASE AND CERTIFICATION BELOW AND SIGN ON PAGE _____ OF THIS CLAIM FORM.

I (we) hereby acknowledge that, pursuant to the terms set forth in the Stipulation, without further action by anyone, upon the Effective Date of the Settlement, I (we), on behalf of myself (ourselves) and my (our) heirs, executors, administrators, predecessors, successors, and assigns, in their capacities as such, shall be deemed to have, and by operation of law and of the judgment shall have, fully, finally and forever compromised, settled, released, resolved, relinquished, waived and discharged each and every Released Plaintiff's Claim (including, without limitation, any Unknown Claims) against Defendants and the other Defendants' Releasees, and shall forever be barred and enjoined from prosecuting any or all of the Released Plaintiff's Claims against any of the Defendants' Releasees.

CERTIFICATION

By signing and submitting this Claim Form, the claimant(s) or the person(s) who represent(s) the claimant(s) agree(s) to the release above and certifies (certify) as follows:

- 1. that I (we) have read and understand the contents of the Notice and this Claim Form, including the releases provided for in the Settlement and the terms of the Plan of Allocation;
- 2. that the claimant(s) is a (are) Settlement Class Member(s), as defined in the Notice, and is (are) not excluded by definition from the Settlement Class as set forth in the Notice;
 - 3. that the claimant has **not** submitted a request for exclusion from the Settlement Class;
- 4. that I (we) own(ed) the Amedisys common stock identified in the Claim Form and have not assigned the claim against any of the Defendants or any of the other Defendants' Releasees to another, or that, in signing and submitting this Claim Form, I (we) have the authority to act on behalf of the owner(s) thereof;
- 5. that the claimant(s) has (have) not submitted any other claim covering the same purchases of Amedisys common stock and knows (know) of no other person having done so on the claimant's (claimants') behalf;
- 6. that the claimant(s) submit(s) to the jurisdiction of the Court with respect to claimant's (claimants') claim and for purposes of enforcing the releases set forth herein;
- 7. that I (we) agree to furnish such additional information with respect to this Claim Form as Lead Counsel, the Claims Administrator or the Court may require;
- 8. that the claimant(s) waive(s) the right to trial by jury, to the extent it exists, and agree(s) to the Court's summary disposition of the determination of the validity or amount of the claim made by this Claim Form;
- 9. that I (we) acknowledge that the claimant(s) will be bound by and subject to the terms of any judgment(s) that may be entered in the Action; and

10. that the	e claimant(s) is (are) NOT subject to backup withholding under the provisions of Section			
3406(a)(1)(C) of the	Internal Revenue Code because (a) the claimant(s) is (are) exempt from backup			
withholding or (b) the	claimant(s) has (have) not been notified by the IRS that he, she or it is subject to backup			
withholding as a result	t of a failure to report all interest or dividends or (c) the IRS has notified the claimant(s)			
that he, she or it is no	longer subject to backup withholding. If the IRS has notified the claimant(s) that he,			
she or it is subject t	to backup withholding, please strike out the language in the preceding sentence			
indicating that the claim is not subject to backup withholding in the certification above.				

UNDER THE PENALTIES OF PERJURY, I (WE) CERTIFY THAT ALL OF THE INFORMATION PROVIDED BY ME (US) ON THIS CLAIM FORM IS TRUE, CORRECT, AND COMPLETE, AND THAT THE DOCUMENTS SUBMITTED HEREWITH ARE TRUE AND CORRECT COPIES OF WHAT THEY PURPORT TO BE.

Signature of claimant	Date
Deignt account to the second s	
Print your name here	
Signature of joint claimant, if any	Date
Print your name here	
If the claimant is other than an individual, or is not the person complete provided:	leting this form, the following also must
Signature of person signing on behalf of claimant	Date
Print your name here	
Capacity of person signing on behalf of claimant, if other than an indi	ividual, e.g., executor, president, trustee,

custodian, etc. (Must provide evidence of authority to act on behalf of claimant – see paragraph 9 on page __ of

this Claim Form.)

REMINDER CHECKLIST:

- 1. Please sign the above release and certification. If this Claim Form is being made on behalf of joint claimants, then both must sign.
- 2. Remember to attach only **copies** of acceptable supporting documentation as these documents will not be returned to you.
- 3. Please do not highlight any portion of the Claim Form or any supporting documents.
- 4. Keep copies of the completed Claim Form and documentation for your own records.
- 5. The Claims Administrator will acknowledge receipt of your Claim Form by mail, within 60 days. Your claim is not deemed filed until you receive an acknowledgement postcard. If you do not receive an acknowledgement postcard within 60 days, please call the Claims Administrator toll free at 888-207-7560.
- 6. If your address changes in the future, or if this Claim Form was sent to an old or incorrect address, please send the Claims Administrator written notification of your new address. If you change your name, please inform the Claims Administrator.
- 7. If you have any questions or concerns regarding your claim, please contact the Claims Administrator at the address below, by email at info@AmedisysSecuritiesLitigation.com, or by toll-free phone at 888-207-7560, or you may visit www.AmedisysSecuritiesLitigation.com. Please DO NOT call Amedisys or any of the other Defendants or their counsel with questions regarding your claim.

THIS CLAIM FORM MUST BE MAILED	TO THE CLAIMS ADMINISTRATOR BY FIRST-CLASS MAIL,
POSTMARKED NO LATER THAN	, 2017 , ADDRESSED AS FOLLOWS:

Amedisys Securities Litigation
c/o A.B. Data, Ltd.
P.O. Box 173042
Milwaukee, WI 53217
888-207-7560
www.AmedisysSecuritiesLitigation.com

A Claim Form received by the Claims Administrator shall be deemed to have been submitted when posted, if a postmark date on or before _______, 2017 is indicated on the envelope and it is mailed First Class, and addressed in accordance with the above instructions. In all other cases, a Claim Form shall be deemed to have been submitted when actually received by the Claims Administrator.

You should be aware that it will take a significant amount of time to fully process all of the Claim Forms. Please be patient and notify the Claims Administrator of any change of address.

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Exhibit A-3

UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT MIDDLE DISTRICT OF LOUISIANA

ROBERT F. BACH, et al.,

Plaintiff,

V.

AMEDISYS, INC., et al.,

Defendants.

Consolidated Securities Class Action

Civil Action No. 10-00395-BAJ-RB

Consolidated With:

No. 10-464-BAJ-RB

No. 10-470-BAJ-RB

No. 10-497-BAJ-RB

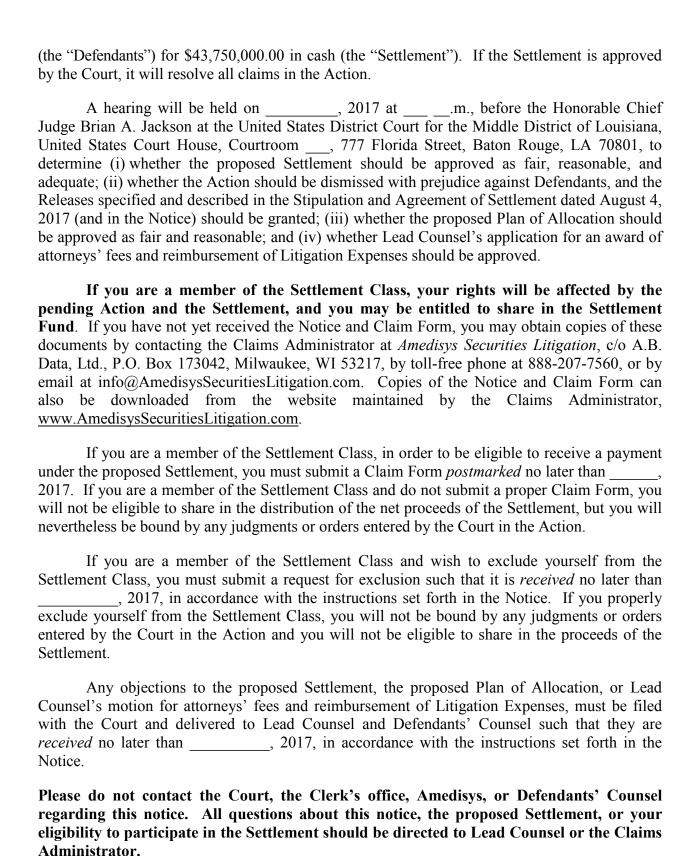
SUMMARY NOTICE OF (I) PENDENCY OF CLASS ACTION AND CERTIFICATION OF SETTLEMENT CLASS; (II) PROPOSED SETTLEMENT; (III) SETTLEMENT HEARING; AND (IV) MOTION FOR AN AWARD OF ATTORNEYS' FEES AND REIMBURSEMENT OF LITIGATION EXPENSES

TO: All persons and entities who or which purchased the publicly traded common stock of Amedisys, Inc. during the period from August 2, 2005 through September 30, 2011, inclusive (the "Settlement Class Period"), and were damaged thereby (the "Settlement Class"):

PLEASE READ THIS NOTICE CAREFULLY. YOUR RIGHTS WILL BE AFFECTED BY A CLASS ACTION LAWSUIT PENDING IN THIS COURT.

YOU ARE HEREBY NOTIFIED, pursuant to Rule 23 of the Federal Rules of Civil Procedure and an Order of the United States District Court for the Middle District of Louisiana, that the above-captioned litigation (the "Action") has been certified as a class action on behalf of the Settlement Class, except for certain persons and entities who are excluded from the Settlement Class by definition as set forth in the full printed Notice of (I) Pendency of Class Action and Certification of Settlement Class; (II) Proposed Settlement; (III) Settlement Hearing; and (IV) Motion for an Award of Attorneys' Fees and Reimbursement of Litigation Expenses (the "Notice").

YOU ARE ALSO NOTIFIED that the Lead Plaintiffs in the Action, the Public Employees' Retirement System of Mississippi and Puerto Rico Teachers' Retirement System ("Lead Plaintiffs"), on behalf of themselves and the other members of the Settlement Class, have reached a proposed settlement of the Action with Defendants Amedisys, Inc. ("Amedisys"), Wendy Stabiler Borne as Independent Executrix of the Succession of Wiliam F. Borne, Jeffrey D. Jeter, Dale E. Redman, Larry R. Graham, Alice Ann Schwartz, Gregory Browne, and John F. Giblin



Requests for the Notice and Claim Form should be made to:

Amedisys Securities Litigation c/o A.B. Data, Ltd., P.O. Box 173042, Milwaukee, WI 53217 888-207-7560

Inquiries, other than requests for the Notice and Claim Form, should be made to Lead Counsel:

BERNSTEIN LITOWITZ BERGER & GROSSMANN LLP
John C. Browne, Esq. or
1251 Avenue of the Americas, 44th Floor
New York, NY 10020
(800) 380-8496

WOLF POPPER LLP Robert C. Finkel, Esq. 845 Third Avenue, 12th Floor New York, NY 10022 (212) 759-4600

Dated:	, 2017
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By Order of the Court

Exhibit B

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No. 10-497-BAJ-RB

[PROPOSED] ORDER AND FINAL JUDGMENT

WHEREAS, a securities class action is pending in this Court entitled *Robert F. Bach et al.* v. *Amedisys, Inc., et al.*, Civil Action No. 1:10-cv-00395 (the "Action");

WHEREAS, (a) Lead Plaintiffs, the Public Employees' Retirement System of Mississippi and the Puerto Rico Teachers' Retirement System ("Lead Plaintiffs"), on behalf of themselves and the other members of the Settlement Class (defined below), and (b) Defendants Amedisys, Inc. ("Amedisys" or the "Company"), Wendy Stabiler Borne as the Independent Executrix of the Succession of William F. Borne, Jeffrey D. Jeter, Dale E. Redman, Larry R. Graham, Alice Ann Schwartz, Gregory Browne, and John F. Giblin (the "Defendants," collectively with Lead Plaintiffs, the "Parties") have entered into a Stipulation and Agreement of Settlement dated August 4, 2017 (the "Stipulation"), that provides for a complete dismissal with prejudice of the claims asserted in the Action on the terms and conditions set forth in the Stipulation, subject to the approval of this Court (the "Settlement");

WHEREAS, unless otherwise defined in this Judgment, the capitalized terms herein shall have the same meaning as they have in the Stipulation;

WHEREAS, by Order dated
Court: (a) preliminarily approved the Settlement; (b) certified the Settlement Class solely for
purposes of effectuating the Settlement; (c) ordered that notice of the proposed Settlement be
provided to potential Settlement Class Members; (d) provided Settlement Class Members with the
opportunity either to exclude themselves from the Settlement Class or to object to the proposed
Settlement; and (e) scheduled a hearing regarding final approval of the Settlement;
WHEREAS, due and adequate notice has been given to the Settlement Class;
WHEREAS, the Court conducted a hearing on
Hearing") to consider, among other things, (a) whether the terms and conditions of the Settlement
are fair, reasonable and adequate to the Settlement Class, and should therefore be approved; and
(b) whether a judgment should be entered dismissing the Action with prejudice; and
WHEREAS, the Court having reviewed and considered the Stipulation, all papers filed and
proceedings held herein in connection with the Settlement, all oral and written comments received
regarding the Settlement, and the record in the Action, and good cause appearing therefor;
IT IS HEREBY ORDERED, ADJUDGED AND DECREED:
1. <u>Jurisdiction</u> – The Court has jurisdiction over the subject matter of the Action and
all matters relating to the Settlement, as well as personal jurisdiction over Lead Plaintiffs, the
Defendants, and each of the Settlement Class Members.
2. <u>Incorporation of Settlement Documents</u> – This Judgment incorporates and makes
a part hereof: (a) the Stipulation filed with the Court on, 2017; and (b) the Notice
and the Summary Notice, both of which were filed with the Court on, 2017.
3. Class Certification for Settlement Purposes – The Court hereby affirms its

determinations in the Preliminary Approval Order certifying, for Settlement purposes only, the

Action as a class action pursuant to Rules 23(a) and (b)(3) of the Federal Rules of Civil Procedure on behalf of a Settlement Class consisting of all persons and entities who or which purchased the publicly traded common stock of Amedisys during the period from August 2, 2005 through September 30, 2011, inclusive (the "Settlement Class Period"), and were damaged thereby. Excluded from the Settlement Class are (i) Defendants, and all current and former officers and directors of Amedisys; (ii) members of the Immediate Family and household members of any such person excluded under (i); (iii) any entities affiliated with, controlled by, or more than 5% owned by, any person excluded under (i) and (ii); (iv) any parent, subsidiary or affiliate of Amedisys, including the Amedisys, Inc. 401(k) Plan; and (v) the legal representatives, heirs, successors, or assigns of any person excluded under (i) through (iv).

- 4. Adequacy of Representation Pursuant to Rule 23 of the Federal Rules of Civil Procedure, and for Settlement purposes only, the Court hereby affirms its determinations in the Preliminary Approval Order certifying Lead Plaintiffs as the Class Representatives for the Settlement Class and appointing Lead Counsel Bernstein Litowitz Berger & Grossmann LLP and Wolf Popper LLP as Class Counsel for the Settlement Class. Lead Plaintiffs and Lead Counsel have fairly and adequately represented the Settlement Class both in terms of litigating the Action and for purposes of entering into and implementing the Settlement and have satisfied the requirements of Federal Rules of Civil Procedure 23(a)(4) and 23(g), respectively.
- 5. Notice The Court finds that the dissemination of the Notice and the publication of the Summary Notice: (a) were implemented in accordance with the Preliminary Approval Order; (b) constituted the best notice practicable under the circumstances; (c) constituted notice that was reasonably calculated, under the circumstances, to apprise Settlement Class Members of (i) the pendency of the Action; (ii) the effect of the proposed Settlement (including the Releases

to be provided thereunder); (iii) Lead Counsel's motion for an award of attorneys' fees and reimbursement of Litigation Expenses; (iv) their right to object to any aspect of the Settlement, the Plan of Allocation and/or Lead Counsel's motion for attorneys' fees and reimbursement of Litigation Expenses; (v) their right to exclude themselves from the Settlement Class; and (vi) their right to appear at the Settlement Hearing; (d) constituted due, adequate, and sufficient notice to all persons and entities entitled to receive notice of the proposed Settlement; and (e) satisfied the requirements of Rule 23 of the Federal Rules of Civil Procedure, the United States Constitution (including the Due Process Clause), the Private Securities Litigation Reform Act of 1995, 15 U.S.C. § 78u-4, et seq., as amended, and all other applicable law and rules.

- 6. Defendants have filed a declaration regarding compliance with the Class Action Fairness Act of 2005 ("CAFA"), 28 U.S.C. § 1715. Defendants timely mailed notice of the Settlement pursuant to 28 U.S.C. § 1715(b), including notices to the Attorney General of the United States of America, and the Attorneys General of all states in which members of the Settlement Class reside. The notice contains the documents and information required by 28 U.S.C. § 1715(b)(1)-(8). The Court finds that Defendants have complied in all respects with the requirements of 28 U.S.C. § 1715.
- 7. Final Settlement Approval and Dismissal of Claims Pursuant to, and in accordance with, Rule 23 of the Federal Rules of Civil Procedure, this Court hereby fully and finally approves the Settlement set forth in the Stipulation in all respects (including, without limitation: the amount of the Settlement; the Releases provided for therein; and the dismissal with prejudice of the claims asserted in the Action), and finds that the Settlement is, in all respects, fair, reasonable and adequate to the Settlement Class. The Parties are directed to implement, perform

and consummate the Settlement in accordance with the terms and provisions contained in the Stipulation.

- 8. All of the claims asserted in the Action by Lead Plaintiffs and the other Settlement Class Members are hereby dismissed with prejudice. The Parties shall bear their own costs and expenses, except as otherwise expressly provided in the Stipulation.
- 9. <u>Binding Effect</u> The terms of the Stipulation and of this Judgment shall be forever binding on Defendants, Lead Plaintiffs and all other Settlement Class Members (regardless of whether or not any individual Settlement Class Member submits a Claim Form or seeks or obtains a distribution from the Net Settlement Fund), as well as their respective successors and assigns. [The persons and entities listed on Exhibit 1 hereto are excluded from the Settlement Class pursuant to request and are not bound by the terms of the Stipulation or this Judgment.]
- 10. <u>Releases</u> The Releases set forth in paragraphs 5 and 6 of the Stipulation, together with the definitions contained in paragraph 1 of the Stipulation relating thereto, are expressly incorporated herein in all respects. The Releases are effective as of the Effective Date. Accordingly, this Court orders that:
- (a) Without further action by anyone, and subject to paragraph 11 below, upon the Effective Date of the Settlement, Lead Plaintiffs and each of the other Settlement Class Members, on behalf of themselves and their respective heirs, executors, administrators, predecessors, successors, and assigns, in their capacities as such, shall be deemed to have, and by operation of law and of this Judgment shall have, fully, finally and forever compromised, settled, released, resolved, relinquished, waived and discharged each and every Released Plaintiffs' Claim against Defendants and the other Defendants' Releasees, and shall forever be barred and enjoined

from prosecuting any or all of the Released Plaintiffs' Claims against any of the Defendants' Releasees.

- (b) Without further action by anyone, and subject to paragraph 11 below, upon the Effective Date of the Settlement, Defendants, on behalf of themselves and their respective heirs, executors, administrators, predecessors, successors, and assigns, in their capacities as such, shall be deemed to have, and by operation of law and of this Judgment shall have, fully, finally and forever compromised, settled, released, resolved, relinquished, waived and discharged each and every Released Defendants' Claim against Lead Plaintiffs and the other Plaintiffs' Releasees, and shall forever be barred and enjoined from prosecuting any or all of the Released Defendants' Claims against any of the Plaintiffs' Releasees. [This Release shall not apply to any claims against any person or entity listed on Exhibit 1 hereto.]
- 11. Notwithstanding paragraphs 10(a) (b) above, nothing in this Judgment shall bar any action by any of the Parties to enforce or effectuate the terms of the Stipulation or this Judgment.
- 12. **Rule 11 Findings** The Court finds and concludes that Lead Plaintiffs and the Defendants and their respective counsel have complied in all respects with the requirements of Rule 11 of the Federal Rules of Civil Procedure in connection with institution, prosecution, defense and/or settlement of this Action.
- 13. <u>No Admissions</u> Neither this Judgment, the Term Sheet, the Stipulation (whether or not consummated), including the exhibits thereto and the Plan of Allocation contained therein (or any other plan of allocation that may be approved by the Court), the negotiations leading to the execution of the Term Sheet and the Stipulation, nor any proceedings taken pursuant to or in

connection with the Term Sheet, the Stipulation and/or approval of the Settlement (including any arguments proffered in connection therewith):

- (a) shall be offered against any of the Defendants' Releasees as evidence of, or construed as, or deemed to be evidence of any presumption, concession, or admission by any of the Defendants' Releasees with respect to the truth of any fact alleged by Lead Plaintiffs or the validity of any claim that was or could have been asserted or the deficiency of any defense that has been or could have been asserted in this Action or in any other litigation, or of any liability, negligence, fault, or other wrongdoing of any kind of any of the Defendants' Releasees or in any way referred to for any other reason as against any of the Defendants' Releasees, in any civil, criminal or administrative action or proceeding, other than such proceedings as may be necessary to effectuate the provisions of the Stipulation or this Judgment;
- (b) shall be offered against any of the Plaintiffs' Releasees as evidence of, or construed as, or deemed to be evidence of any presumption, concession or admission by any of the Plaintiffs' Releasees that any of their claims are without merit, that any of the Defendants' Releasees had meritorious defenses, or that damages recoverable under the Complaint would not have exceeded the Settlement Amount or with respect to any liability, negligence, fault or wrongdoing of any kind, or in any way referred to for any other reason as against any of the Plaintiffs' Releasees, in any civil, criminal or administrative action or proceeding, other than such proceedings as may be necessary to effectuate the provisions of the Stipulation or this Judgment;
- (c) shall be offered or construed as evidence that a class should or should not be certified in the Action if the Settlement is not consummated; or

(d) shall be construed against any of the Releasees as an admission, concession, or presumption that the consideration to be given under the Stipulation represents the amount that could be or would have been recovered after trial;

provided, however, that the Parties and the Releasees and their respective counsel may refer to this Judgment and the Stipulation to effectuate the protections from liability granted hereunder and

thereunder or otherwise to enforce the terms of the Settlement.

- 14. **Retention of Jurisdiction** Without affecting the finality of this Judgment in any way, this Court retains continuing and exclusive jurisdiction over: (a) Lead Plaintiffs and Defendants (to the extent necessary as set forth herein) for purposes of the administration, interpretation, implementation and enforcement of the Settlement; (b) the disposition of the Settlement Fund; (c) any motion for an award of attorneys' fees and/or Litigation Expenses by Lead Counsel in the Action that will be paid from the Settlement Fund; (d) any motion to approve the Plan of Allocation; (e) any motion to approve the Class Distribution Order; and (f) the Settlement Class Members for all matters relating to the Action.
- 15. Separate orders shall be entered regarding approval of a plan of allocation and the motion of Lead Counsel for an award of attorneys' fees and reimbursement of Litigation Expenses. Such orders shall in no way affect or delay the finality of this Judgment and shall not affect or delay the Effective Date of the Settlement.
- 16. <u>Modification of the Agreement of Settlement</u> Without further approval from the Court, the parties to the Stipulation are hereby authorized to agree to and adopt such amendments or modifications of the Stipulation or any exhibits attached thereto to effectuate the Settlement that: (a) are not materially inconsistent with this Judgment; and (b) do not materially limit the rights of Settlement Class Members in connection with the Settlement. Without further

order of the Court, the parties to the Stipulation may agree to reasonable extensions of time to

carry out any provisions of the Settlement.

17. **Termination of Settlement** – If the Settlement is terminated as provided in the

Stipulation or the Supplemental Agreement, or the Effective Date of the Settlement otherwise fails

to occur, this Judgment shall be vacated, rendered null and void and be of no further force and

effect, except as otherwise provided by the Stipulation or the Supplemental Agreement, and this

Judgment shall be without prejudice to the rights of Lead Plaintiffs, the other Settlement Class

Members, and Defendants, and the Parties shall revert to their respective litigation positions in the

Action as of immediately prior to the execution of the Term Sheet on June 12, 2017, as provided

in the Stipulation.

18. **Entry of Final Judgment** – There is no just reason to delay the entry of this

Judgment as a final judgment in this Action. Accordingly, the Clerk of the Court is expressly

directed to immediately enter this final judgment in this Action.

SO ORDERED this day of, 201	7	7
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The Honorable Brian A. Jackson

Chief United States District Judge

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Exhibit 1

[List of Persons and Entities Excluded from the Settlement Class Pursuant to Request]