WebMD and Commission on Presidential Debates to Partner

NEW YORK, Sept 18, 2008 /PRNewswire-FirstCall via COMTEX News Network/ -- WebMD's 48 million health-engaged visitors will be able to submit questions for upcoming presidential debate

WebMD, the leading source of health information, has teamed up with the nonpartisan Commission on Presidential Debates (CPD) to help educate WebMD's visitors about issues that are prominent during the 2008 general election debates. WebMD will gather questions for the second presidential debate -- a Town Hall format to be moderated by NBC News' Tom Brokaw.

During the debate on Tuesday, October 7, the moderator will ask questions from audience members and may include health-related questions that are submitted online at WebMD. WebMD will use its election message board (www.webmd.com/askthecandidates) to gather questions for consideration by Mr. Brokaw.

"As healthcare has been one of the most important issues of this election, we are proud to be partnering with the Commission on Presidential Debates to give voice to WebMD's 48 million visitors," said Wayne Gattinella, CEO, WebMD. "We are committed to providing Americans with the information they need to make more informed healthcare and election decisions."

The election message board -- which allows voters to discuss health care in the U.S. -- is just one component of WebMD's special report, "Health Matters in the 2008 Election" (www.webmd.com/election2008). Throughout the election season, WebMD has provided voters with the information they need to understand this important issue. Among the special section's other features are a comparison chart of the two candidates' health care platforms, along with in-depth reports on key health issues facing people today.

Along with WebMD's special election coverage, WebMD will help direct consumers to MyDebates.org, an educational website created by MySpace and the CPD which will address other important election issues such as the economy, environment and national security.

About WebMD

WebMD Health Corp. (Nasdaq: WBMD) is the leading provider of health information services, serving consumers, physicians, healthcare professionals, employers and health plans through our public and private online portals and health-focused publications. WebMD Health Corp. is a subsidiary of HLTH Corporation (Nasdaq: HLTH).

The WebMD Health Network reaches more than 48 million visitors a month through its leading owned and operated health sites that include WebMD Health, Medscape, MedicineNet, eMedicine, eMedicine Health, RxList and theheart.org.

About the Commission on Presidential Debates

The Commission on Presidential Debates (CPD) was established in 1987 to ensure that debates, as a permanent part of every general election, provide the best possible information to viewers and listeners. Its primary purpose is to sponsor and produce debates for the United States presidential and vice presidential candidates and to undertake research and educational activities relating to the debates. The organization, which is a nonprofit, nonpartisan, 501(c)(3) corporation, sponsored all the presidential debates in 1988, 1992, 1996, 2000, and 2004.

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