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Throughout her career, Ms. Kunis has been a strong advocate for recognizing the connection between mental and physical health and addressing the stigma surrounding mental illness.

Ms. Kunis joined Horizon Blue Cross Blue Shield of New Jersey in 2017 to develop and lead the organization's first internal behavioral health strategy and team. She subsequently led NovaWell, which grew from this work at Horizon and focuses on helping other health plans strengthen their behavioral health strategies.

Prior to joining Horizon, Ms. Kunis spent 22 years with Magellan Health Services, where she served as Senior Vice President of Behavioral Health Solutions and oversaw nationwide service delivery, including clinical operations, member services, network management, quality, sales, employee assistance programs and finance.

"Suzanne brings extensive experience leading efforts to integrate physical and mental health care and to reduce stigma. Her expertise and leadership, both here in New Jersey and nationally, will be invaluable assets to our Board," stated Carolyn Beauchamp, MHANJ's President and CEO.

About the Mental Health Association in New Jersey
Headquartered in Springfield, MHANJ is a statewide nonprofit organization dedicated to helping individuals achieve victory over mental illness and substance use disorders through advocacy, education, training, and services. For more information, visit www.mhanj.org.