

FTI Consulting Adds Two Senior Professionals to Health Solutions Practice

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WASHINGTON, Jan. 18, 2023 (GLOBE NEWSWIRE) -- FTI Consulting, Inc. (NYSE: FCN) today announced the appointment of <u>Juan Montanez</u> as a Senior Managing Director and <u>Cindy Ward</u> as a Managing Director within the firm's Health Solutions practice.

Mr. Montanez, who is based in Washington, D.C., joins FTI Consulting with 30 years of experience driving improvements in payment models within the healthcare industry. He has led numerous engagements with organizations seeking to modernize their information systems, optimize their information technology governance and management functions and make data-driven decisions about information technology investments.

In his role at FTI Consulting, Mr. Montanez will focus on providing clients with healthcare information technology needs assessments, planning and budgeting, alternative analysis, implementation plan development, implementation support and effectiveness evaluation.

"Juan brings a strong blend of industry knowledge and technical experience to our team," said <u>Wayne Gibson</u>, Leader of the <u>Healthcare Payers</u> group within the Health Solutions practice at FTI Consulting. "Healthcare has become an increasingly complex playing field, so having someone with Juan's track record will greatly enhance our ability to help clients navigate mounting data and technology challenges."

Prior to joining FTI Consulting, Mr. Montanez led the IT Advisory Services practice at Health Management Associates and served as a Senior Consultant at Mercer. He previously served as Executive Consultant to Georgia's Chief Information Officer, Director of Strategic Research and Analysis for Georgia's Department of Community Health, Director of Budget and Reimbursement for Southern Regional Health System, and Manager of IT Planning and Decision Support for PROMINA Health System.

Commenting on his appointment, Mr. Montanez said, "In today's regulatory environment, many organizations are seeking to modernize their information systems. I look forward to working alongside my colleagues at FTI Consulting to help healthcare clients optimize their information technology and management functions to meet a rapidly evolving landscape."

Based in Scottsdale, Ariz., Ms. Ward joins FTI Consulting with more than 20 years of experience working with government health programs and Medicaid state programs and is considered an expert in Medicaid managed care requirements and managed care plan operations. Prior to joining FTI Consulting, Ms. Ward was a Senior Principal Consultant with Mercer's Government practice, where she developed Medicaid care management programs, population health strategies and designed value-based payment models.

In her role at FTI Consulting, Ms. Ward will assist clients in all aspects of Medicaid managed care operations, including the lifecycle of Medicaid managed care procurement support, Medicaid market strategy, procurement, readiness, implementation and the response to state, federal and external quality review audits. She also will focus on methods to maximize health plan performance.

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