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Diamond Healthcare Corporation Announces Investment by Markel

Richmond, VA – January 3, 2011 – Diamond Healthcare Corporation announced today that Markel Corporation, through Markel Ventures, Inc. has made a strategic investment and is the majority shareholder in Diamond. All investors who began the Company in 1985 will continue to be shareholders in the Company.

George K. White, President and CEO of Diamond said, “Markel’s investment in Diamond will ensure that the Company will perpetuate its mission, values and course for the long term.” White will continue his role as President and CEO and as an investor in the Company.

Markel Ventures, Inc. based in Richmond, VA, “makes strategic investments in companies with leading market positions and strong management teams and holds those interests for the long term,” said Tom Gayner, President of Markel Ventures, Inc.

About Diamond Healthcare Corporation – Diamond celebrates 25 years as the national leader in the planning, development and operation of high quality Behavioral Health Services. Diamond offers a range of contract management, facilities development, consulting, education and clinical services to clients in 28 states.

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