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Resolution HHS-09-16

**RECOGNIZING THE CONTRIBUTIONS OF NON-PROFIT
HEALTH MINISTRIES**

WHEREAS, health care cost support is an essential element of economic security for American families; and,

WHEREAS, individuals and families need more health care cost support choices, not fewer; and,

WHEREAS, the National Black Caucus of State Legislators recognizes the great work of religious organizations; and,

WHEREAS, voluntary healthcare cost-sharing ministries are proven vehicles through which people of the community can obtain low-cost health care support through the sharing of financial gifts used to meet medical expenses for members; and,

WHEREAS, it is a benefit to people of faith to have access to a voluntary, cost-sharing ministry that does not deny people membership, raise their monthly financial gifts or cancel their participation because of a medical condition; and,

WHEREAS, these ministries are helpful and valuable additions to meeting the needs of Americans, particularly in that there is no assignment of risk or contracts between parties; participation is strictly voluntary, enabling people of all backgrounds to exercise religious freedom as they meet their desire for medical health care cost support; and,

WHEREAS, such ministries operate in all 50 states, serving tens of thousands of Americans, and Missouri through its tax laws has recognized the value and importance of such ministries to their members; and,

WHEREAS, this option contributes to a solution to the health care cost support needs of African-Americans; and

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the National Black Caucus of State Legislators recognizes the valuable work of these organizations and urges states considering a form of universal health coverage to recognize Healthcare Ministry programs and ensure that their citizens have the freedom to make personal health care cost support choices according to their individual needs.

Sponsor: Representative Joe Armstrong (TN)
Committee of Jurisdiction: Committee on Health and Human Services
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MEMORANDUM

October 20, 2016

VIA EMAIL

TO: Chief Executive Officers]
Directors of Athletics] – of NCAA Member Institutions.
Senior Woman Administrators]
Head Athletic Trainers]

FROM: Kathleen T. McNeely
Senior Vice President of Administration and Chief Financial Officer.

SUBJECT: NCAA Catastrophic Injury Insurance Program.

We are pleased to announce that the Association’s catastrophic injury insurance program will continue for all member institutions through July 31, 2018. NCAA will continue to pay 100 percent of the insurance premium for this policy.

As announced recently in an article published on www.ncaa.org, we are pleased to report an increase to the program’s Special Expense maximum benefit. These new limits are applicable to any future expenses for any student-athlete who suffered a catastrophic injury since the 1998-99 academic year.

With regards to health sharing ministries, there has recently been a change in how the NCAA views these types of arrangements. Previously, use of these ministries was not considered sufficient to meet the NCAA requirement that all student-athletes have insurance in place to cover athletically-related injuries up to the deductible of the Catastrophic Injury Insurance program. After meeting with representatives for health sharing ministries earlier this year and gaining a greater understanding of how they are set up and the way they function, the decision was made to allow health sharing ministries to meet the NCAA insurance requirement.

American Specialty Insurance Services continues to act as the NCAA’s service and administration representative for this important program. To assist you in reporting claims, American Specialty offers a claim help line at 800-245-2744. This number is monitored 24 hours a day. Attached is a claim reporting information sheet. Please share it with those on your campus responsible for reporting claims.

A complete summary of the program benefits appears at www.ncaa.org. Please note that this memo and the program summary provide only a general summary of the NCAA Catastrophic Injury Insurance Policy. Only the policy itself contains the complete provisions, exclusions, and qualifications of the insurance benefits and governs the control and payment of benefits. For

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questions regarding the program, or to request copies of the policy, please feel free to contact Brad Robinson, associate director of insurance and financial risk management, at 317-917-6054 or brobinson@ncaa.org.

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Attachment

cc: Commissioners of NCAA Member Conferences