

Board Meeting
April 11, 2006

STUDENT HEALTH INSURANCE FEES FOR CHICAGO, SPRINGFIELD, AND
URBANA CAMPUSES, FISCAL YEAR 2007

Action: Approval of Student Health Insurance Fees for Chicago, Springfield, and Urbana Campuses, Fiscal Year 2007

Funding: No Funding Required

The Chancellors at Chicago, Springfield, and Urbana recommend approval of student health insurance fees for Fiscal Year 2007. The student health insurance fee, combined with the student health service fee, fund health care programs tailored to meet the needs of the students at the campuses. The campuses consult with student advisory groups on health program coverage and the resulting fee. Students may choose not to participate in the student health insurance program by providing evidence of comparable insurance coverage from other sources. Attached is a summary of the student health program coverage.

Beginning fall 2004 the Chicago campus proposed the adoption of a self-funded plan to increase student benefits and contain costs. All care, with the exception of emergencies, will be provided at the UIC Medical Center. All students will receive the same benefit package and have the added feature of services for well child care for covered dependents under age six. Students needing coverage for their spouse and

dependents voluntarily pay a separate charge. Higher than anticipated costs for prescription drugs necessitates a 4 percent increase for FY 2007.

In 2005 the Springfield campus issued a RFP for student health insurance, selecting The Chickering Group, through the insurer, Aetna as the plan provider. Renewal options exist through 2010. For FY 2007 pricing will remain at FY 2006 levels. Students needing coverage for their spouse and dependents voluntarily pay a separate charge.

In 2005 the Urbana campus issued a RFP for student health insurance selecting Student Resources, through its insurance carrier Mega Life, as the plan provider. The Mega Life program at Urbana provides basic coverage for undergraduate students and expanded benefits for graduate students. Coverage enhancements were made to both plans at that time. Increased utilization and poorer than anticipated loss experience necessitates a 7.5 percent increase in price for the undergraduate plan, and an 11.3 percent increase in price for the graduate plan for FY 2007. Students needing coverage for their spouse and dependents voluntarily pay a separate charge. Renewal options exist through 2015.

The recommended student health insurance fees per semester are as follows:

LOCATION	PROPOSED PREMIUM – FALL 2006		PERCENT INCREASE
<i>Chicago</i>	All students	\$378	+4.0%
<i>Springfield</i>	All students	\$291	0
<i>Urbana</i>	Undergraduate	\$180	+7.5%
	Graduate	\$256	+11.3%

The rates displayed are for the typical undergraduate and graduate student.

Rates may vary for summer session, family dependent coverage, etc.

The board action recommended in this item complies in all material respects with applicable State and federal laws, University of Illinois *Statutes, The General Rules Concerning University Organization and Procedure*, and Board of Trustees policies and directives.

The Vice President for Administration concurs in these recommendations.

The President of the University recommends approval.