Presentation from James Yankech of University Health Center

Welcome
President Curtis L. Walker
Welcome to meeting and brief introduction of Jim Yankech and the student health plan for this semester and year.

Student Health Plan and University Health Center
James Yankech, University Health Center

A. Background:
   1. Previously contracted plan through Aetna and for dental insurance expired August 13.
   2. These plans were replaced by Blue Cross/Blue Shield plan called StudentBlue.

B. Plan Details:
   1. Administered by Blue Cross/Blue Shield of Nebraska
   2. Includes both health and dental coverage in one plan.
   3. Enrollment and waivers are managed by Ascension Benefits & Insurance Solutions.
   4. UNL Student Accounts will still bill Graduate Assistants, international students, and other graduate and professional students enrolled for 3 or more credit hours.

C. Changes in Benefits from Aetna Plan:
   1. Entire University system now has a single student insurance plan (UNL, UNO, UNMC, and UNK)
   2. One policy year (August to August) with two separate enrollment periods (Spring/Summer)
   3. There is a difference in premiums between each coverage period that is explained in the literature and related to the length of coverage period (January to August being longer than August to December).

D. Key Benefits:
   1. Benefits are maximized at University Health Center (UNL UHC)
      a. No deductible, coinsurance or copays for most services.
   2. In-network provider outside of the Health Center
      a. $500 deductible
      b. 80%/20% coinsurance
      c. $2500 maximum out-of-pocket expense (includes deductible, coinsurance, and copays)

E. Additional New Benefits:
   1. University pre-enrollment health requirement immunizations and test are covered 100%
   2. New optometric benefit (exam and refraction)
      a. 100% at the UNL UHC
      b. $50 maximum benefit outside the UNL UHC
      c. Referrals are not needed (under ACA requirements)
   3. Dental plan
      a. $1000 policy year maximum
      b. Benefits are maximized at the UNL UHC
      c. Preventive services - No deductibles or coinsurance
      d. Other covered services - No deductibles but coinsurance does apply
4. After hours services:
   a. American Well (real-time access via internet)
   b. Telehealth care service (on-call nurse)
   c. These services will be promoted by the UNL UHC late September
5. Billing for premiums through MyRed
   a. No proration of premium
   b. Sponsoring departments can only pay up to 79% of the premium
   c. Only handled through student accounts office

F. Waivers
   1. Fall deadline has already passed - Friday September 12
      a. Domestic graduate assistants - soft deadline, may still be possible to waive coverage
      b. International students - hard deadline, not possible to waive coverage

G. Insurance ID cards
   1. Insurance ID cards for GAs and international students will not be mailed out until mid-to late September
   2. Implications for dental and prescription benefits and coverage outside the UNL UHC

H. Network Issues
   1. BCBSNE and CHI/Creighton contract expired August 31
      a. In Lincoln … CHI hospitals are no longer in-network providers for student insurance
   l. Additional Information

Use the following websites:  
http://health.unl.edu/studentblue
http://www.nebraska.blue.com/studentblue

J: Q & A Session

Q: Why is the ER deductible so large?  
Administrators remind us to use Urgent Care and not ER as much as possible  
Q: Why are UNL UHC hours so limited?  
Variety of factors account for that. Study found that extension of hours was not highly utilized but faster time at mid-day was. UNL UHC will investigate hour extension again.  
Q: Has UNL UHC been privatized?  
UNL UHC has not been privatized. Chancellors signed a memorandum of understanding so that UNMC has oversight but it has not been developed further than a liaison.

Q. Can students still bring existing insurance with them or will they be required to use StudentBlue?  
Yes.  
Q. Are there services for opt-out students/GAs?  
UNL UHC still provides some discounted primary care, subsidized lab tests, counseling center and similar to any current student but it is not free.  
Q. How do I file a claim from UNL UHC with another insurance provider?  
UNL UHC asks that we communicate that status in advance by scheduling an appointment rather than dropping in.  
Q: Is UNL considering transitioning between student and employee plans for graduate students?  
Universities may offer Bronze plan to student employees - but premium will be higher/benefits will be lower than equivalent student plan.  
Q: What is FTE to be on Bronze plan?  
0.75 (i.e. 30 hours)
Welcome to the Graduate Student Association Legislative Assembly

Welcome
_Curtis Walker, President_
Welcoming remarks and

Roll Call
_Joe Reed, Chair of Representation_
Chair has record of roll call which will be entered into minutes separately.

Vote on Chair of Quality of Life  _Curtis Walker, President_
Vote:
By acclamation. New Chair of Quality of Life appointed by LA representatives in assembly.

Business Items

Approval of the Budget
Some tightening due to reduced income and more fundraising is likely this year. Budget is on record and will be entered into minutes.
Q & A:
Q: Purpose of emergency fund?  _Awards, flex for short-notice events (e.g. career fair, etc._
Vote:

Changes to Bylaws and Constitution
Key changes sheet attached to schedule. Vote at next meeting: October 7

Q & A:
Q: Do we include students from the College of Law?  _We do current have a legal studies representative._

Election of Campus Representatives
Five needed from each campus. Three all nominated from East.  _Vote: By acclamation. Joe will meet with them to collect information and enter it into his notes which will be added to the record._

Vacant GSA Executive Positions
1. Swear in Quality of Life
2. Legislative Affairs, Academic Affairs, Open Access and Graduate Student Appreciation Week, Distance, and Diversity

ASUN Committees
_Joe Reed_  _Interest of ASUN is to reach out to more graduate students. Need the following positions but looking for any participation:_
   Chief of Staff - has not had one in a long time, sit on main committee
   Appropriations Board - second most important
   Diversity Committee
   Academic Planning Committee

GSA Sub-Committees
Appeal for LA representatives to take part in these committees.
   Social Events and Planning (Chair Eric Rodene)
Fundraising
   Food Event @ Panera Bread on Thursday, September 25, 2014 4pm-8pm
   Description of event at Panera - show flyer, GSA will get percentage of proceeds from the store manager (4 pm - 8 pm), share with departments at large. Percentage varies depending on total sales.

Officer Reports
1. Executive Chair and President – Curtis Walker
   Has been in contact with counterparts at other universities. There is some Midwest/BIG10 concern over health coverage, fees and similar.
2. Internal Vice President – Greg Degirolamo
   Nothing new to add to existing minutes.
3. External Vice President – Maggi Sliwinski
   Will be sitting on student affairs council, parking committee, applied to be an ASUN senator, in discussions with former GSA members about structure. Please contact for additional information.
4. Chair of Finance – Kat Shultis
   Budget approved and included with announcement for this meeting.
5. Chair of Representation – Joe Reed
   Nothing new to add to previous presentations.
6. Chair of Social Events – Eric Rodene
   Please join the committee. Considering additional parties but need support to plan.
7. Chair of Information – Clayton Hanson
   Minutes to be sent via listserv.
8. Chair of Graduate Committee – Taylor Spangler
   Nothing to report.

Open Discussion
Maggi - Future meetings will not be this long. Q: Is there a centralized listserv for updates?
   Speak with Curtis tonight to be added to GSA listserv.

Next Meeting
Tuesday, October 7th @ 7pm in Nebraska Union Heritage Room
Subject to change, please keep up with announcements