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### **NAHU's Capital Conference Promotes Sensible Health Care Reform Initiatives**

(Raleigh, NC) – When health insurance agents from across the country convene in Washington, DC January 29-31 for the National Association of Health Underwriters (NAHU) Capitol Conference they will focus much of their attention on the importance of enacting sensible legislation that creates better access to health care for all Americans.

NAHU's Capitol Conference, this year titled, "Marching to a New Drum: Changing Directions in Health Insurance," is an opportunity for health insurance agents and brokers to communicate their legislative agenda to congressional leaders. NAHU's legislative strategy includes promoting important health care reform initiatives such as consumer directed health care plans (CDHP), high-risk pools, and enhancing long-term care insurance and prescription drug coverage.

"Members of NAHU care about health care," said NAHU President David Fear. "We're the agents and brokers who are on the front line of health care every day, helping millions of individuals get the most from their health insurance. Individual consumers and small business can find navigating the health insurance system rather daunting and licensed agents and brokers are trained and experienced in guiding individuals and employers through the complexities of choosing appropriate, affordable health plans.

"Too many Americans are unable to afford the cost of adequate health insurance coverage. But instead of taking steps to lower costs, some legislators continue to advocate for misguided health insurance reforms that will raise the cost of health insurance, pricing people out of coverage. NAHU will campaign for a health care system that maximizes choice in health care and promotes a robust and competitive market so more Americans will have access to affordable health care."

Members of the Triangle Association of Health Underwriters (TAHU) will meet with U.S. House of Representatives members Bob Etheridge, Brad Miller and David Price, and U.S. Senators Richard Burr and Elizabeth Dole to discuss national health care issues and their impact on North Carolina. TAHU is an association of health insurance agents, brokers and consultants who are committed to serve our industry and consumers of healthcare in the Raleigh, Durham, and Chapel Hill, North Carolina area. As members of the National Association of Health Underwriters, our mission is to serve the public by promoting the activities and ethical conduct of insurance professionals through communication, education, and legislative representation.

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