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Local Agent Attends DC Healthcare Conference

(Washington, D.C.) – The National Association of Health Underwriters (NAHU) held its 28th Annual Capitol Conference on February 26-28 in Washington, D.C. The theme of the meeting was *Shaping Healthcare’s Future through Advocacy*. Over 800 health insurance professionals from across the country did just that by promoting sensible solutions for health insurance issues to congressional leaders.

\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ (your name here) attended this conference, both for the opportunity to learn more about healthcare reform and its impact on healthcare consumers, as well as to communicate the role of the agent and brokers to Congress. He/She visited with \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ (policymaker) from \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ (state). \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ (your last name here) has been a NAHU member for \_\_\_ (number) years; this was his/her \_\_\_ (ordinal number) Capitol Conference. \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ (name) serves on the \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ committee of the \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ Association of Health Underwriters, one of over 200 NAHU chapters across the country.

Capitol Conference guest speakers included key healthcare policymakers and leaders who addressed the future of health reform under the new Administration. Other presentations addressed the scope and structure of state-based exchanges, employer reporting, single-payer, medical loss ratio, improvements to Medicare, consumer protections and how businesses need to adapt to the new market reality.

“It is important that we continue to provide our members with the tools they need to stay informed about health reform and what has been implemented, while also giving them a voice to have an impact on regulations that have yet to be made,” said NAHU CEO Janet Trautwein. “We are educating agents and brokers so they know what to expect and how to best prepare and assist their clients.”

“Every year, our members look forward to engaging in an open discussion about healthcare reform with their legislators,” said NAHU President Mike Embry. “We believe there is a critical need to ensure that the healthcare delivery system is solvent, accessible and efficient. NAHU’s Capitol Conference gives us the tools we need to help our clients access the coverage they deserve at a price they can afford.”

*The National Association of Health Underwriters represents 100,000 professional health insurance agents and brokers who provide insurance for millions of Americans. For more information, please call (insert contact name, phone number and email address).*

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