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## **NAHU Statement on the CARES Act**

WASHINGTON -- The National Association of Health Underwriters (NAHU) commends members of Congress for taking swift action to pass a \$2 trillion dollar economic stimulus package that will help American families, businesses and workers weather this unprecedented global pandemic. President Trump is expected to immediately sign into law the Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security (CARES) Act. This bipartisan action taken by Congress follows the recent passage of the Families First Coronavirus Response Act and several pieces of emergency guidance released by the Trump Administration.

"The provisions in the CARES Act will help employers stay in business, keep employees on their payroll, and allow them to continue to offer benefits, including health insurance," stated NAHU CEO Janet Trautwein. "The CARES Act expands access to coronavirus testing, improves telehealth and allows Health Savings Accounts to be used to purchase over-the-counter medications.

"NAHU and its chapters throughout the country are in unison regarding mitigating as much disruption as possible for healthcare consumers and employers during this pandemic. NAHU members continue to play a critical role helping people secure coverage for vital healthcare services, including testing and treatment for the coronavirus. They're also trusted advisers for employers big and small who count on them to assist their employees when they have issues with their coverage or questions about their benefits."

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