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Dear Sir/Madam,

RE: INVITATION TO TWELVTH (12TH) CARIBBEAN CONFERENCE ON NATIONAL HEALTH FINANCING INITIATIVES IN ANGUILLA, NOVEMBER 1 - 3, 2017

As part of our thirty-fifth (35th) anniversary celebrations, we at the Anguilla Social Security Board (ASSB) are delighted to collaborate with the HEU, Centre for Health Economics, The University of the West Indies (HEU/UWI) and the Inter-American Centre for Social Security Studies (CIESS) in hosting the 12th Caribbean Conference on National Health Financing Initiatives.

The Conference will be held from November 1 - 3, 2017.

The genesis of these Conferences can be traced to the 2006 Annual Meeting of Caribbean Social Security Organisations in Belize when they agreed to establish a forum to enhance their capability in planning/administering Health Financing Initiatives as requested by their governments.

This 12th Conference follows successful previous Conferences held in Turks and Caicos Is., 2006; Aruba, 2007; Trinidad and Tobago, 2008; St Maarten, 2009; Belize, 2010; Bermuda, 2011; Curacao, 2012; Jamaica, 2013; Trinidad and Tobago, 2014; Turks and Caicos Is., 2015 and Bonaire, 2016.

In keeping with recommendations, the 12th Conference continues focus on critical matters pertaining to 'Health Financing: Strategic Management, Spending Wisely-2'. Key areas of emphasis will be hospital, pharmaceutical, catastrophic care and mental health challenges.

In view of these expectations, we wish to formally extend a warm, cordial and special invitation to you to the 12th Caribbean Health Financing Conference.

Details of the Agenda, Accommodation, Registration and other arrangements can be found at HEU's website, http://sta.uwi.edu/conferences/17/healthfinancing/ and the ASSB's website, ssbai.com. These will be activated in mid-June 2017.

Kindly acknowledge receipt of this invitation.

For further information on the Conference, please contact any of our key Conference Planning team members at the HEU, Centre for Health Economics by email: Dr Stanley Lalta



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Alternatively, you may contact Ms Maglan Richardson, Conference Coordinator at the ASSB by email-- mrichardson@ssbai.com or Phone 1 264 497 2201/2202.

We look forward to your participation and to sharing knowledge on 'spending wisely in health' at the 12^{th} Conference in Anguilla.

Yours sincerely,

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