FLORIDA ATLANTIC UNIVERSITY NOTICE OF PROPOSED NEW REGULATION

Date: February 11, 2011

REGULATION TITLE AND NUMBER: Health Insurance for International Students and International Scholars (4.009).

SUMMARY: The University administration seeks approval to amend FAU Regulation 4.009, Major Medical Insurance Requirements for Foreign Students. This proposed amended regulation, renamed Health Insurance for International Students and International Scholars, will also include medical insurance requirements for International Research Scholars and supersede Presidential Memorandum 87, Health Insurance Requirements for Exchange Visitors. This proposed amended regulation consolidates Florida Atlantic University policies in this area and conforms to recent amendments to Florida Board of Governors Regulation 6.009.

FULL TEXT OF THE REGULATION: The full text of the proposed regulation is attached below to this Notice. The full text of the existing regulation is posted on FAU's website at www.fau.edu/regulations. In addition, the full text of the proposed regulation and current regulation are available upon request to the Office of the General Counsel, which can be contacted at (561) 297-3007 or GeneralCounsel@fau.edu.

AUTHORITY FOR THE REGULATION: Article IX of the Florida Constitution, Section 1001.706, F.S., and Florida Board of Governors Regulations 1.001 and 6.009.

UNIVERSITY OFFICIAL INITIATING THE REGULATION: Dr. Charles Brown, Sr. Vice President

COMMENTS CONCERNING THE PROPOSED NEW REGULATION SHOULD BE SUBMITTED WITHIN 14 DAYS OF THE DATE OF THIS NOTICE TO THE CONTACT PERSON IDENTIFIED BELOW. In response, the University may solicit additional written comments, schedule a public hearing, withdraw or modify the proposed regulation in whole or in part after notice, or proceed with adopting the regulation. The comments must identify the regulation(s) on which you are commenting:

THE PERSON TO BE CONTACTED REGARDING THE PROPOSED REGULATION IS: Myrlande Dessalines, Paralegal, Office of the General Counsel, 777 Glades Road, Boca Raton, Florida, 33431, (561) 297-3007 (phone), (561) 297-2787 (fax), GeneralCounsel@fau.edu.

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Florida Atlantic University

Regulation 4.009 <u>Health Major Medical</u> Insurance Requirements for <u>International Foreign</u> Students <u>and</u> <u>International Scholars</u>.

(1) The University sponsors International Students and International Scholars in the F and J non-immigrant visa categories with permission from the U.S. Department of Homeland Security and the U.S. Department of State. International Students and International Scholars sponsored by the University must comply with health insurance requirements of the Florida Board of Governors (BOG) (F/J students), the U.S. Department of State (all J visa holders), and the University Board of Trustees in order to maintain eligibility for the non-immigrant visa programs in which they participate. Authority to establish procedures for verifying compliance is delegated to the Office of Student Health Services and the Office of International Student and Scholar Services. Willful failure to maintain the required insurance coverage will result in termination of participation in the Exchange Visitor Program.

(2) Definitions:

Exchange Visitor: A citizen of a No-foreign country who is sponsored or hosted by the University under the J-1 Exchange Visitor Program as a degree/non-degree student, student intern, professor, researcher, short-term scholar, specialist, or other category of exchange visitor status as defined by the Exchange Visitor Program.

Exchange Visitor Program: A program administered by the U.S. Department of State that provides qualified foreign nationals with opportunities to participate in educational and cultural exchange programs under a J-1 Exchange Visitor visa. The University is designated by the U.S. Department of State to sponsor Exchange Visitors in the following J-1 visa categories: Professor, Research Scholar, Short-Term Scholar, Specialist, Student Intern or Student.

International Student: A student sponsored or hosted by the University who is not a U.S. citizen or permanent resident of the U.S. and who holds a temporary U.S. non-immigrant visa (e.g., F visa or J-1 Student designation).

<u>International Scholar</u>: A J-1 Exchange Visitor who is sponsored or hosted by the <u>University under the J-1 Exchange Visitor Program in a category of the Exchange Visitor</u> Program other than Student.

(3) No International Student in F or J non-immigrant status shall be permitted to register, or be permitted to continue enrollment, at the Florida Atlantic University without demonstrating that

the studenthe/she has adequate major medical insurance coverage for illness or accidental injury. Adequate medical insurance coverage must meet or exceed the requirements of BOG Regulation 6.009, as well as include the following:

- (a) the policy must have a maximum \$400 cumulative deductible per policy year; and
- (b) the policy must have a minimum coverage of \$200,000 for covered injuries/illnesses per accident or illness per policy year with no internal caps or limitations for covered injuries or illnesses.
- (4) All International Scholars and all accompanying dependents on J-2 visasor certificate which restricts its use to a specific institution, hospital, clinic, infirmary or other health care agency or restricts its use to a particular locale or provides that the insurance proceeds are required to have health insurance coverage during their period of stay on the University's J-1 program. The health insurance must meet or exceed the minimum requirements set forth in 22 C.F.R. § 62.14.not payable in United States currency will not be deemed adequate.

Specific Authority: <u>Article IX of the Florida Constitution, 1001.706, F.S., Board of Governors Regulations 1.001 and 6.009; and 22 C.F.R. § 62.14240.227(1) FS. Law Implemented 240.233(2) FS. History–New 4-19-82, Formerly 6C5-4.10. Formerly 6C5-4.010. Amended [---11.</u>