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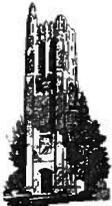
September 3, 2009

MEMORANDUM

TO: Randy Hillard, Associate Provost for Human Health Affairs
FROM: Kim Wilcox, Provost and Vice President for Academic Affairs
RE: Health Programs Planning

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Michigan State University is justifiably proud of our tradition of providing quality health services and innovative health professions education. Part of that tradition is our willingness to continually redefine ourselves to best serve our students, faculty, and staff. For many years, Olin Health Center has been one of the most visible components of our commitment to student health. Evolving from an in-patient facility to its present out-patient configuration, Olin reflects the improvements of a contemporary health care environment, with valuable programs in numerous areas, including health education, mental health, and substance abuse, as well as tailored programs for targeted campus constituencies such as international students and scholars. Similarly, the MSU HealthTeam, our university practice plan, has also evolved over time, with many of its most significant changes occurring in the past few years. As we work to reconfigure the University in the face of budget reductions and 21st Century opportunities, I am asking you to work with the campus in the next several weeks to develop a set of recommendations for me in these two areas of our health operations.



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Specifically, I ask that you work with the faculty, staff, and administration of Olin Health Center, the leadership of the MSU HealthTeam, the student leadership of the campus, and the appropriate related campus units to develop recommendations for the future of student health service provision at Michigan State University. In particular I ask you to:

- Explore the potential benefits to students in the availability and quality of services that would be created by more fully integrating the operations of the Olin Student Health Center and MSU HealthTeam
- Assess the current Student Health Fee, its role, and appropriate rate
- Review our health education programs to ensure the continuation of high quality offerings
- Consider the value in requiring health insurance coverage for all of our students

In addition, I ask you to work with the Deans and the faculties of the health colleges to develop a faculty appointment and compensation template which will:

- More effectively align funding sources with activities and unit goals
- Provide greater opportunities for provider rewards from increased productivity – especially clinical productivity
- Better align compensation within the two medical colleges
- Ensure the most effective complement of practitioners to meet our clinical needs
- Better position us to move to the forefront of health care delivery systems nationwide

Consistent with other planning initiatives across campus, **I would ask that you return a set of specific recommendations for consideration by October 16, 2009.** While this timeline is ambitious, I believe it will provide us both with sufficient time to develop the recommendations and sufficient time to review and discuss them within the fall semester.

c: University Community