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Dear Sir/Madam,

**RE: INVITATION LETTER-NINTH CARIBBEAN CONFERENCE ON NATIONAL  
HEALTH FINANCING INITIATIVES, TRINIDAD AND TOBAGO, NOVEMBER 4-6,  
2014**

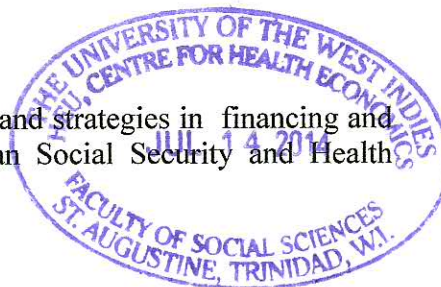
Following agreement at the 8th Conference held in Jamaica in November 2013, the HEU/Centre for Health Economics in collaboration with the Tobago House of Assembly (THA) and the Caribbean Public Health Agency (CARPHA) are delighted to host and welcome you to the 9th Caribbean Conference on National Health Financing Initiatives from November 4-6, 2014.

The previous Conferences were held in Turks and Caicos, 2006; Aruba, 2007; Trinidad and Tobago, 2008; St Maarten, 2009; Belize; 2010; Bermuda, 2011; Curacao, 2012 and Jamaica, 2013.

The genesis of these Conferences was the desire by Caribbean Social Security and health organizations to enhance their understanding and capability to play larger and more decisive roles in administering National Health Financing Initiatives as requested by most Caribbean governments.

The 9th Conference has three (3) key objectives:-

1. To continue examination of the performance, challenges and strategies in financing and administration of National Health Care Programs by Caribbean Social Security and Health Financing Organisations;



2. To focus attention on Results-based Financing of Managing Chronic Diseases as well as Efficiency Imperatives in Health Programs;

3. To identify areas and opportunities for closer collaboration among Caribbean Social Security and Health Financing Organizations in tackling health financing concerns.

In view of the importance of the health financing issues to be discussed, we wish to formally extend a warm and cordial invitation to you to participate in the upcoming Conference.

Details of the Agenda, Accommodation, Registration, Guidelines for presenters and other arrangements can be found at our website, <http://sta.uwi.edu/conferences/14/healthfinancing/>.

Should you require further information on the Conference, please email us at or contact Dr Stanley Lalta (Stanley.lalta@sta.uwi.edu) or the HEU Administration Office at 1 868 662 9459 (phone/fax).

We look forward to your participation and to joining hands and minds with you as we collectively seek more answers and solutions to health financing concerns at the 9th Conference.

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Director

