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Dear Sir/Madam,

**Re: Invitation to 13th Caribbean Conference on National Health Financing Initiatives
in Anguilla, November 6-8, 2019**

The University of the West Indies, HEU, Centre for Health Economics (UWI-HEU) is delighted to collaborate with the Anguilla Social Security Board (ASSB) in hosting the 13th Caribbean Conference on National Health Financing Initiatives from November 6-8, 2019.

These Conferences originated from discussions at the 2006 Annual Meeting of Caribbean Social Security Organizations in Belize when they agreed to establish a regional forum to enhance knowledge and capabilities in planning and administering Health Financing Initiatives.

The 13th Conference follows successful previous Conferences held in Turks and Caicos Islands 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 Islands 2015; Bonaire 2016; and Suriname 2018.

In keeping with recommendations, the 13th Conference focuses on critical matters pertaining to '*Fiscal Space and Sustainability in Health Financing*'. Key areas of emphasis will be influences on tax arrangements and other sources of funds for health; national health accounts; projecting health costs and management strategies for financial sustainability.

In view of these expectations, we wish to formally extend a warm and special invitation to you to participate in the Conference.

Details of the Agenda, Accommodation, Registration and other arrangements can be found at the conference's website at <http://conferences.sta.uwi.edu/healthfinancing/> and the ASSB's website at <http://www.ssbai.com>. These will be activated during the last week of April.

For further information on the Conference, please contact any of our key Conference Planning team members at the UWI-HEU by email: Dr. Stanley Lalta (Stanley.Lalta@sta.uwi.edu); Ms. Charmaine Metivier (Charmaine.Metivier@sta.uwi.edu); and Ms. Ayanna Batson

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You may also contact Dr. Maglan Lewis, Deputy Director at the ASSB by email at mrichardson@ssbai.com or Ms. Twana Duncan-Vanheyningen, Executive Secretary at tduncan@ssbai.com or by telephone at 1-264-497-2201/2202.

We look forward to welcoming you and to sharing knowledge on 'Fiscal Space and Sustainability in Health Financing' at the 13th Conference in Anguilla.

Yours sincerely,



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