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Hi,

I would like my attendance noted at the 5/17/2023 GIB meeting.

Also, I had a question on one of the materials where it appears an editing error has made a sentence not make sense (I bolded it below) or is missing a phrase in the middle.

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text:

GIB 3C - Memo - 2024 Program Agreement and Benefit Changes - 05.17.23

Navitus can also create a benefit design with an option for HDHP members to have a reduced risk of losing tax exemption for their Health Savings Account (HSA). The benefit applies the remaining deductible (which helps HDHP members remain in accordance with federal tax law) still realize savings from the program, and counts any money the member pays towards a specialty drug towards their deductible.

Thank you,

Dan L. Ross



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Dear Dan Ross:

Thank you for your email to the Group Insurance Board (Board) regarding some of the wording in the “2024 Program Agreement and Benefit Changes” memo that the Board discussed at their May 17, 2023, meeting.

Here is an expanded version of the paragraph you shared:

Navitus can also create a benefit design with an option for members on the Board’s High Deductible Health Plan (HDHP) to have a reduced risk of losing tax exemption for their Health Savings Account (HSA). The benefit has logic built in to apply the remaining deductible, which helps HDHP members remain in compliance with federal tax law, still realize savings from the program, and have any money the member pays towards a specialty drug count towards their deductible. Any copay assistance dollars received would not apply to their deductible and maximum out-of-pocket limit (MOOP). Other pharmacy and healthcare costs members are currently responsible for will continue to accrue towards their deductible and MOOP.

I hope this email, my presentation to the Board, and your email I responded to on May 17, helped to answer any questions you have. If you have any additional concerns, please do not hesitate to contact me using the information below.

Sincerely,

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